

**MINUTES
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING
October 5, 2020**

Present: Jeff Shaver, Gary Albers, Judi Baril, Doug Malanka, Ray Morrison, Annette Simonian, Myron Belej

1. **Call to Order**

Chair called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

2. **Chair's Opening Remarks**

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Judi Baril and Seconded by Gary Albers– Agenda Approved

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

Moved by Gary Albers and Seconded by Judi Baril – Minutes approved

5. **Disclosure of Interest**

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7. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

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9. **Delegations**

10. **New and Unfinished Business**

9.1 Business of the Year

- The committee discussed whether a business should have a business licence to qualify.
- Judi Baril is taking the lead on the nominations and will forward any she gets to Annette.
- Wendy and Gary will form the selection committee.
- The Egg Farmers of Ontario have agreed to donate \$500 to the event this year.
- The committee discussed catering options and agreed to offer Brockberry the job.
- Breakfast option will be pay in advance, there will be no purchase at the door.
- The committee discussed making the public spots available as virtual only. Committee agreed that public should be invited in person on a first come first serve basis, knowing that space is very limited. Anyone coming to the door without registering will have to be turned away.
- Group agreed that nominees should be limited to two per nomination for breakfast.
- Committee agreed that MP and MPP should be invited.

9.2 Tiny Homes

- Staff is trying to get the initiative together for Augusta Township.
- Committee discussed what the Township would view as a Tiny Home.

9.3 Teeny Tiny Summit

- The Chair gave an overview of the Teeny Tiny Summit and thought it was valuable information. He suggested that if you are interested it would be worthwhile to attend the next one on October 28.

9.4 UCLG Economic Development and Corridor Update

- The industrial site is showing some good activity
- Corridor is changing focus during COVID to assist existing businesses to stay viable during this time.
- Mayor suggested adding BIC to this section as well.

9.5 Roundtable

- The Main Street initiative grant is going well. Several Businesses have applied for some money to fix up their business.
- Augusta is engaged in partnerships with Prescott that are going well.
- There are two new Committees in Augusta. The Community Development Committee and the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee.
- A member expressed that they thought the Farmer's Market in North Augusta was a great initiative
- The Prescott Curling Club is hoping to get curling up and running again in January
- Spirit of Giving Campaign and the Recreation Campaign are taking steps to get up and running again.

10. Next Meeting – November 2, 2020 at 1:30pm

11. Adjournment

Moved by Judi Baril and Seconded by Gary Albers

Adjourned at 2:58p.m until October 5, 2020 or until the call of the Chair subject to need.