

County of Huron
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES
Monday, June 26, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
REACH Centre
169 Beech Street, Clinton

The Economic Development Board met in the Boardroom at the REACH Centre in Clinton, Ontario on June 26, 2017. All members of the Board were present except Member Jim Ginn, Member Steven Sparling and Member Martin Vanderloo.

1. Chair Jim Lynn called the Economic Development Board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Motion to Accept the Agenda and Receive All Reports:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Gowing and Seconded by: Member Eddington

THAT:

The Economic Development Board Agenda for June 26, 2017 be accepted and all the reports included in the Agenda, be received.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof: None Stated

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Steffler and Seconded by: Member Marshall

THAT:

The minutes of the Economic Development Board meeting of May 29, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Introduction to Sandra Weber – Planning Dept.:

Chair Jim Lynn introduced Sandra Weber.

Ms. Weber has been employed with Huron County for many years and has recently taken over the position as Director. Chair Lynn stressed the importance of strong working relations between businesses and planning departments to achieve economic growth.

Ms. Weber thanked Chair Lynn for inviting her to the meeting and outlined plans for increased collaboration with the Board and community to achieve mutual goals.

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6. Comments from CAO Brenda Orchard:

CAO Orchard informed members that she has accepted a position at the County of Lennox and Addington. She thanked the Board and wished them much success in their future endeavors.

7. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

7.1 Update / Discussion on Terms of Reference Document presentation to County Council.

Chair Jim Lynn stated the Terms of Reference (version 3) were presented to Council and approved for action.

7.2 Scoping exercise for next steps on Terms of Reference.

A working committee consisting of Jim Lynn, Maureen Nummelin, John Marshall, Steve Baker and Andrew Kemp was formed. The working committee will meet and present information for further consideration at the next Board meeting on July 17, 2017.

7.3 Business Development Process Review: (Presented by Andrew Kemp)

8. Opening Comments and Updates from the Chair:

9. Follow Up Items:

9.1 Letter to lower tiers from the Municipal Officers Meeting.

At the time of this meeting no information was available.

10. Future Meeting Topics:

10.1 OMAFRA update and Economic Development Team update of partner municipality strategic plans.

10.2 Agricultural Specialist from Chatham-Kent.

10.3 Deep Nuclear Repository.

10.4 Maitland Conservation Authority Request to attend.

11. Delegations: None

12. Presentations: None

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13. Financials: None

14. Next Meeting:

A special meeting of the Economic Development Board will be Monday, July 17, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The location to be determined.

The next regular meeting of the Economic Development Board will be Monday, August 28, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The location to be determined.

15. Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Marshall and Seconded by: Member Smith

THAT:

The Economic Development Board meeting adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

CARRIED