



Huron County Economic Development Board

Minutes – December 9, 2015

Goderich, Ontario

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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The Huron County Economic Development Board met in the Committee Room at the County Courthouse on the 9th day of December 2015.

Members of the Board present: J. Lynn, P. Gowing, M. Vanderloo, S. Baker, P. Smith, B. MacLellan, T. Hessel

Staff present: Economic Development Consultant Ron Gaudet, Economic Development Coordinator Natasha Fritzley, Economic Development Administrative Assistant Jordanne Hayward

Members Absent: S. Sparling, K. Davis, J. Eddington

1. Chair Lynn called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Vanderloo and Seconded by: Member Hessel

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board Agenda for Wednesday, December 9th, 2015 be accepted and all attachments included in the Agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof:

None Stated.

4. Minutes Approval

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Gowing and Seconded by: Member Smith

THAT:

The minutes of the previous Huron County Economic Development Board meeting

on November 16th, 2015 be adopted.
CARRIED

5. Opening Comments (Chair Lynn): Chair Lynn commented that the Board has started to see some traction relative to the strategic planning process. The partner municipality strategic planning process is also very encouraging. We are very close to the action plan stage. A reminder to Board members to attend the collaborative strategic planning process event on Monday, December 14th in Clinton.

6. Correspondence:

A. Letter from Four County Labour Market Planning Board: Staff Natasha Fritzley updated the Board on verbal feedback from the Four County Labour Market Planning Board Chair and conveyed that their Board understands our need for urgency and looks forward to working together on this data collection. Board Chair Jim Lynn asked that staff request a status report (raw data from EmployerOne survey) from FCLMPB for the February Economic Development Board meeting.

B. Email correspondence re: HealthKick: Chair Lynn provided an update on the status of HealthKick.

7. G2G – Report on Metrics: The Board reviewed a report on performance metrics and outcomes from the G2G Trail group (per their request at the September 2015 Board Meeting). Staff was asked to reach out to G2G and ask for a financial report that clearly outlines how the Board's financial contribution has been leveraged by G2G to date.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Smith and Seconded by: Member MacLellan

THAT:

The HCEDB appoint Members Hessel, Smith & Gowing to a subcommittee to work with G2G on the development of appropriate performance metrics. There is strong interest in community based membership engagement metrics.

CARRIED

8. Blyth ESTC:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Gowing and Seconded by: Member Hessel

THAT:

The HCEDB appoint Members Vanderloo & Lynn to meet with North Huron CAO Sharon Chambers (at her request) to discuss recommendations as to the re-structure and organization of the Blyth Emergency Services Training Centre.

CARRIED

9. Economic Development Draft Strategic Plan: Staff Natasha Fritzley and Ron Gaudet updated the Board on progress and success stories from the collaborative strategic planning process and how municipal goals and strategies tie into the County plan.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Smith and Seconded by: Member Baker

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board strongly endorse the detail and spirit of the draft economic development strategic plan subject to the premise that the municipal partners continue to be engaged moving forward.

CARRIED

10. Board Member Recruitment:

11. Closed to Public Session: Item that relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Moved by: Member Hessel and Seconded by: Member Gowing

THAT:

Huron County Economic Development Board do now go into a “Closed to the Public Session” at under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees.

AND FURTHER THAT:

Staff Ron Gaudet and Natasha Fritzley remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Hessel and Seconded by: Member Gowing

THAT:

Huron County Economic Development Board rise from the “Closed to the Public Session” at 7:10 p.m.

CARRIED

- Reporting out

12. Brainstorm Session: Board members shared ideas on possible future projects.

13. Financial Summary

14. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Economic Development Board will be on Monday, January 11th, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Committee Room at the County Courthouse, in Goderich.

15. Did Well/Do Better:

Board members provided a brief update on what they felt was done well at the meeting and what could be improved upon.

16. Adjournment:

The Huron County Economic Development Board adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Chair J. Lynn