



Huron County Economic Development Board

Minutes – March 14, 2016

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 14th day of March 2016.

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

Staff present: Chief Administrative Officer Brenda Orchard, Director of Economic Development Ron Gaudet, Economic Development Manager Natasha Fritzley, Economic Development Administrative Assistant Jordanne Hayward

Members Absent: M. Vanderloo, J. Eddington

1. Chair Lynn called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Smith and Seconded by: Member Gowing

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board Agenda for Monday, March 14th, 2016 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 MacLellan and Seconded by: Member Marshall

THAT:

The minutes of the previous Huron County Economic Development Board meeting

on February 8th, 2016 be adopted.
CARRIED

- 5. Opening Comments (Chair Lynn):** Chair Lynn commented that it has been a productive month since we last met. The Board Training session was an effective day. The linking of staff work plans to the municipal strategic plans is an important step forward. It is management's role to implement the plans as approved and the Board must be respectful of that. There are always a lot of great projects and initiatives but we must maintain our focus and be mindful that there is a plan in place.
- 6. Board Training Day and Breakfast Overview:** Board members reviewed upcoming deliverables from their training day and recapped the Board Breakfast. Staff were directed to distribute whitepapers prepared from the brainstorming session to Board members. Staff were also directed to provide information on where attendees at Breakfast came from and their alignment with economic development.
- 7. Huron County Economic Development Department Work Plan:** Staff were directed to add a status column, action to outcome column and a complete/incomplete column utilized to report back to Board on an ongoing basis.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Sparling Seconded by: Member Baker

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board accept and endorse the proposed Economic Development Department work plan and recommend that Huron County Council receive said plan for information.

CARRIED

- 8. Return on Tax Dollars Invested Report Request:** Report was not requested.
- 9. Board member recruitment – Recruitment Committee Report**

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Baker and Seconded by: Member Hessel

THAT:

Staff create a Board Member job posting and spend up to \$500 for Economic Development Board member recruitment.

CARRIED

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

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 Natasha Fritzley, Brenda Orchard, Ron Gaudet and Jordanne Hayward 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 7:16 p.m.

CARRIED

Reporting out

11. Financial Summary

12. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Economic Development Board will be on Monday, April 11th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Committee Room at the County Courthouse, in Goderich.

13. 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.

14. Adjournment:

The Huron County Economic Development Board adjourned at 7:42pm.

Chair J. Lynn