



Community Development Committee

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 3 pm
Sandfield Centre, 102 Derby St West, Alexandria

A meeting of the Community Development Committee was held on Wednesday, March 27, 2019, at 3 pm at the Sandfield Centre (102 Derby Street West, Alexandria).

PRESENT: Carma Williams, Chair
Brenda Noble, Councillor
Gina Dragone, Community Representative
David Fillion, Community Representative
Rory Levert, Community Representative
Dean MacGillivray, Community Representative
Michael Madden, Community Representative
Anne Leduc, Director – Community Services / Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Jeff Manley, Councillor
Sarah Huskinson, CAO

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest by the members present.

3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR AMENDMENTS

Additions to Point 8 - Agenda Items:

e) GDHS changes to class sizes

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AS MODIFIED

Moved by: Dean MacGillivray

Seconded by: Rory Levert

THAT the agenda for the Community Development Committee for March 27, 2019 be adopted as modified.

Carried.

5. ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved by: Michael Madden

Seconded by: Dean MacGillivray

THAT the minutes of the March 6, 2019 Community Development Committee meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no new business arising from the minutes.

7. DELEGATIONS

A presentation was made by Ms. Carilyne Hebert, Executive Director of the Social Council on the FAAC, the Community Kitchens and the Vibrant Community Roundtable. More information can be presented to the Committee as issues and projects move forward.

A presentation was made by Mr. Stephen Burgess on the educational development opportunities with the Glengarry District High School. More information will be presented to the Committee as the Agricultural SHSM moves through the approvals process. If accepted by the Board the program would start in September 2019. Messrs. Dean MacGillivray and David Filion will be meeting with the Upper Canada School Board Trustee John Danaher and bringing this subject to his attention.

8. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Review of the Terms of Reference

Moved by: Mike Madden

Seconded by: Rory Levert

THAT the Community Development Committee recommends that the Council for the Township of North Glengarry endorses the Terms of Reference for Community Development Committee.

Carried.

b. Discussion on the selection of members for the Forestry Conservation Working Group

The consensus from the Committee is that a Working Group must be formed to work on the Forestry Conservation issue. Applicants will be requested to apply in writing and to inform the Committee as to why they are interested in participating in the Tree Canopy Working Group. The Working Group will be composed of a minimum of seven (7) community representatives and two (2) Community Development Committee members with the support from Township staff as needed.

- The goal of the Working Group is to protect the tree canopy and natural vegetation in the municipality, while enabling normal agricultural practices.
- The Working Group is tasked with developing a best practices checklist that respects the regulatory environment in Ontario.
- The outcomes may result in the development of a by-law.

Staff is requested to prepare a draft ad and circulate it to the Committee Members. Once approved, and prior to publication, Council will be informed that the Committee is seeking individuals to sit on the Working Committee.

c. Discussion on goals for the Committee

Deferred

d. Teeny Tiny Summit – Calabogie – April 4, 2019

Committee members are asked to contact Staff if they wish to register for this event.

e. GDHS changes to class sizes

Mr. David Fillion shared information on the impact that the increase of the classes sizes will have for GDHS. Class size increase will cause a decrease in the total occupancy percentage at GDHS which will make it easier to justify closing the facility.

The Glengarry County Archives are looking at leaving GDHS and the Board has expressed concerns over the impact this may have. Their departure will create more vacant space in GDHS which may add to the possibility of the school going under review in the near future.

9. PENDING BUSINESS

N/A

10. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Key Information Report – Economic Development Update

Committee members are encouraged to contact staff if they require any additional information on the Economic Development Activities in the Township.

11. NEXT MEETING

The next Community Development Committee will take place on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 3 pm, at the Sandfield Centre (102 Derby Street West, Alexandria).

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 pm by Michael Madden.

Carma Williams
Chair