



Community Development Committee

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 3:00 pm
Sandfield Centre, 102 Derby St West, Alexandria

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

REGRETS: Gina Dragone, Community Representative
Sarah Huskinson, CAO

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm

2) DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

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

3) ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR AMENDMENTS

None

4) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AS MODIFIED

Moved by: Jeff Manley

Seconded by: David Filion

THAT the agenda for the Community Development Committee for June 26, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

5) ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved by: Jeff Manley

Seconded by: Dean MacGillivray

THAT the minutes of the May 28, 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

None

8) AGENDA ITEMS

a. Marketing Plan Working Group

Ms. Brenda Noble shared information on marketing items and influencers that could be used to promote North Glengarry and attract people from outside the region.

Messrs David Filion, Dean MacGillivray, Michael Madden, Rory Levert and Ms. Brenda Noble volunteered to be part of the Marketing Plan Working Group. The group will initially concentrate on putting together a framework and a proposal to Council in time for the 2020 budgeting exercise.

b. School Boundary Working Group

Ms. Gina Dragone (upon approval of the individual), and Messrs David Filion, Jeff Manley and Dean MacGillivray volunteered to be part of the Educational Reform / School Boundary Working Group, along with the involvement of the existing SOS Group and the joint School Working Group. The members of the group will discuss outside representation on the committee and bring back information on progress at the August meeting.

c. Amending the electoral districts to have North Glengarry in the same territory as South Glengarry and Cornwall

Mr. Levert advised that he met with MPP Jim McDonnell about the amendment of the electoral districts and the history behind the changes to the boundaries.

Staff will explore the timelines and the regulations surrounding the amendment electoral boundaries and share the information with the Committee Members.

Carried.

d. Population and Maintenance of Community Assets Listing (Appendix A)

i. General Discussion

Staff advised that a new Volunteer Opportunities page has been created on the website. Organizations have been contacted and information is coming in on volunteer opportunities across the region. The Volunteer Opportunities page will be promoted at a Volunteer Fair at the high schools (most likely with GIAG) and through the Township's Facebook page.

9) PENDING BUSINESS

None

10) CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Key Information Report – Economic Development Update

11) NEXT MEETING

The next Community Development Committee will take place on August 28, 2019 at the Sandfield Centre (102 Derby Street W., Alexandria).

12) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm by Rory Levert

Carma Williams
Chair

APPENDIX A

Population and Maintenance of Community Assets Listing

PRIMARY LIST		
Category	Item	Owner / Action
Maintenance of Community Assets	Protecting and strengthening Glengarry Memorial Hospital's long-term viability	Update to be obtained from HGMH's management. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carma to invite HGMH (Louise Quenneville) to make a presentation to the Community Development Committee. • Senior's Village.
Population	Address next steps for Agri-food and Agri-tourism	Ongoing - Economic Development (in-house and in partnership with other municipalities, organizations and businesses). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest from businesses in doing farm tours and partnering with other businesses to create a critical agri-tourism mass. • Commercial Kitchen project is near completion. • Gina will send an update to be added to the Committee's agenda.
Population	Create a plan to address population growth (attraction of new residents – from West Island, East Ottawa, Amazon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase population across all demographics (seniors, youth, adults, disabled individuals, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing - Economic Development / Government Organizations / Community Partners • Carma searching for contractors for land available to be developed for housing. • Anne to contact developer to discuss Maxville property. • Email group if a new developer contact is made.
Population	Lagoon upgrade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing – July target for update • Designs will permit to apply for funding when available
Population	Strategic residential development on the fringe of Alexandria that would not require infrastructure (estate lots)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning / Economic Development • Evaluate the properties that the Township owns and possible land available for sale. • Bring to Building / Planning Dept.
Population / Maintenance of Community Assets	High-speed internet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing - Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus – Eastern Ontario Regional Network project • Expecting update on funding.

SECONDARY LIST		
Category	Item	Owner / Action
Maintenance of Community Assets	Develop a Forest Conservation Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing - Planning
Maintenance of Community Assets	Maintain schools (viability of secondary schools)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous – SOS group and partners • Committee formed between several municipalities to look at the possibilities to look at reducing school boards in SDG. • The idea is to look at efficiencies that could be obtained through this proposal. • A goal is to educate children close to their communities. • The intention is to bring a proposal to the Minister of Education.
Population	Develop comprehensive Communications Plan at the Township level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the direction of the CAO
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Population	Ensure good Customer Service at Township	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the direction of the CAO
Population	Lobby businesses to relocate to North Glengarry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing - Economic Development / Government Organizations
Population / Maintenance of Community Assets	Create a volunteer database <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centralized database to disseminate information on community and service groups, volunteer opportunities, functions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Development – use already-compiled information on community organizations to see if there is an appetite for a centralized database through which volunteers could be contacted on an as-required basis • Send a survey asking people to volunteer for a specific amount of time. • New webpage was created to direct people towards volunteer organizations and then Facebook (share with community partners).
Population / Maintenance of Community Assets	Location for satellite government offices (Minister of Rural Affairs, agricultural based agencies).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing but greatly dependent on direction of Provincial and Federal Governments.
Population / Maintenance of Community Assets	Township has to be “open” for business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the direction of the CAO.