

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

August 13, 2019

8:00 a.m.

Municipal Office - Council Chambers

PRESENT: Scott McLellan (Chairperson)
 Greg Smith
 Ron MacMeekin
 Vic Bode
 Mary Rozenberg

STAFF/OTHERS: Tiffany MacLaren, Community Economic & Cultural Coordinator
 Bonnie Ostrom, Recording Secretary
 Ken Kelly (CAO)

REGRETS: Councillor Gerard, Sanjeev Sivarulrasa, Helen Antebi,
 Deputy Mayor Minnille

Chairperson, Scott McLellan called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Spelling error; Pecuniary

Moved by Mary Rozenberg

Seconded by Ron MacMeekin

THAT the C&EDC August 13, 2019 agenda be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

C. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/TOURS

- OVRT Alameda Request for Support

Stephen Brathwaite presented a proposal to have an "Alameda" or tree lined path along the OVRT from Church St to Bridge St. Approximately 90 trees could be planted along this section of the OVRT.

Removal of the chain link fence from Bridge to the Almonte Library garden would have to be removed and the area groomed. They understand the critical element is obtaining County approval. The County would also be looking for MM Council support.

Various residents/groups are ready to volunteer. The trees could be purchased through the Hub Hospice tree sale in the spring. Trees could be purchased and donated in memory of someone.

Questions were asked regarding continued maintenance; tree replacement, staking of trees, mulch or ground cover and watering were mentioned.

Moved by Mary Rozenberg

Seconded by Greg Smith

THAT the C&EDC Committee recommends that Council endorse the tree lined path concept presented by Stephen Brathwaite.

CARRIED

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 18, 2019

Moved by Mary Rozenberg

Seconded by Ron MacMeekin

THAT the June 18, 2019 minutes be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

E. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

- Municipal Film Policy update & Next Steps

Council approved the film policy survey in June.

The working group is currently working on the survey with hopes to have it out as soon as possible. Until the film policy is approved and implemented there will be no road closures approved for film productions.

- OVRT

The committee wants to “explore what the municipality can do”; benches, garbage cans, signage etc.

It was suggested that a possible student project could be travelling the trail within Mississippi Mills and identifying observation points, highlights.

- Neighborhood Micro Grants

Some micro grants have been issued. Staff to continue to update on the progress.

F. ROUND TABLE

3 on 3 Basketball weekend was a great success with caliper players on the Elite courts. There was a lot of American's in the crowd as well.

Almonte Hospital fundraiser “Paddle for AGH” was also a great event on Saturday August 10.

The Almonte Fair weekend was extremely hot with lower numbers attending. The motorcycle event and the derby were well attended.

The Wednesday evening Car Bingo has been another success with approximately 100 cars!

The Antique Car Show during Canada Day had over 200+ cars. The group says it was the largest ever!

It was suggested that Pakenham could host a movie night on the shore like Calabogie did this summer with Jaws. The movie goers would be in boats/canoes etc on the water watching the movie on shore.

Vic Bode noted that the repair of the culver in Pakenham required temporary traffic lights. He noted this worked very well and suggested perhaps this was the solution instead of the bump outs? He will confer with council regarding this.

Highland Games – Saturday August 24

G. REPORTS

1. Beautification Committee Update (verbal)
Ron MacMeeking confirmed there still remains only three Beautification members. No notes have been completed of the meetings and no real action is taking place. They inquired about the Ottawa St. landscape design and if this will be in the 2020 budget?
It was suggested that the group pick a project and concentrate on it ie. Pitch In.

H. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

I. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

- Mississippi Mills Promotional Clothing Discussion
Branding is important to help promote Mississippi Mills. There are few stores that sell Mississippi Mills/ Almonte/ Pakenham swag. It was suggested that perhaps the municipality have some supply. Committee members were asked to think of ideas for the next meeting.
- Upcoming Business Breakfast Themes & Speakers
September 26 breakfast meeting theme – “Emergency Response”. Scott McLellan to confirm the speaker.
Committee was asked to bring a list of potential topics for future breakfast meetings.
- Directional Signage
A working group of Vic Bode, Scott McLellan and Tiffany will meet to discuss direction signage.

J. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pakenham Fair – Saturday August 17, 2019

Mississippi Mills- At A Glance Wednesday September 11, 2019

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 8:00AM.

Next Business Breakfast: Thursday, September 26 & Thursday November 21, 2019 at 7:00AM. Location TBD

K. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vic Bode

Seconded by Greg Smith

THAT the August 13, 2019 C&EDC meeting be adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

CARRIED

Bonnie Ostrom, Recording Secretary