

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

September 17, 2019

8:00 a.m.

Municipal Office - Council Chambers

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PRESENT: Scott McLellan (Chairperson)  
Councillor Gerard  
Deputy Mayor Minnille  
Greg Smith  
Vic Bode  
Sanjeev Sivarulrasa  
Helen Antebi

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

REGRETS: Ron MacMeekin, Mary Rozenberg

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Chairperson, Scott McLellan called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Greg Smith**

**Seconded by Deputy Mayor Minnille**

**THAT** the September 17, 2019 C&EDC agenda be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

None

**C. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/TOURS**

1. Riverwalk Working Group Updates- Alex Gillis

Mr. Gillis provided background of the Riverwalk project, fundraising for the Phase 2 (\$77,000.00), fundraising events, Lanark County Grant (\$12,000), and next steps.

**Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille**

**Seconded by Vic Bode**

**THAT** the C&EDC committee endorses the Riverwalk Mill Workers Staircase project.

**CARRIED**

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 13, 2019**

Change the date at the top of the minutes to August 13

**Moved by Greg Smith**

**Seconded by Vic Bode**

**THAT** the August 13, 2019 minutes be accepted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**E. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES**

1. Municipal Film Policy update & Next Steps

A draft copy of the survey was considered by the committee. A revised survey will be presented to the committee at the next meeting.

2. OVRT/ Directional Signage/ Park/ Parking

Some businesses have made inquiries to the County regarding the application process for directional signage. No feedback was received. Deputy Mayor Minnille will follow up on the process and advise the committee.

3. Directional Signage

A draft of the directional signage for the village of Pakenham will be presented at the next committee meeting. Funds have been allocated in the 2020 budget.

4. Business Breakfast

Thursday September 26, 2019

7am – 9pm at the Almonte Civitan Club.

Topic; Emergency Services

5. Alameda/Fence

Funds are in the current budget for the removal of the fence. Public Works has will remove the tree stumps and level the area.

The Alameda project remains a volunteer effort with various tree experts working with the Hub Hospice tree sale for the donner trees. Lanark County is in support of the idea and requires a map of the trees. The group is looking to start this spring with the tree planting.

6. Mississippi Mills Promotional Items

The Community, Economic and Cultural Coordinator will bring a list of items and costs to the next committee meeting for review and discussion.

**F. ROUND TABLE**

Mill of Kintail – the committee discussed the future of the Mill. The Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority Board is currently working on proposed next steps.

**G. REPORTS**

1. Beautification Committee Update (verbal)

Installation of the fall corn stalks will be done on Friday September 27 by volunteers on the committee. A fall pitch in will be planned before Thanksgiving weekend.

2. OEMC- Tiffany MacLaren (verbal)

The majority of the conference workshops/sessions focused on the various programs offered by the Ministries. Information on both Arnprior and Kwartha Lakes downtown revitalizations projects were presented. The presentations will be sent to the committee members for information.

Some highlights:

- Arnprior did not lose any businesses in the process and were successful in making some of the businesses accessible.
- They have implemented community improvement plans where funds are matched for facades and accessibility improvements. Building owners have to apply for the funding.
- Agreements were made to house a brownfield lot into parking for the businesses.
- Another presentation was on the importance of branding.

**H. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE**

**I. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS**

**J. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 8:00AM.

Next Business Breakfast: Thursday, September 26- Almonte Civitan

Thursday November 21, 2019 at 7:00AM. Location TBD

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille**

**Seconded by Greg Smith**

**THAT** the August 13, 2019 C&EDC meeting be adjourned at 9:30a.m.

**CARRIED**

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Bonnie Ostrom, Recording Secretary