

June 18, 2014

Township of Machar Municipal Office

Present: Sundridge – Elgin Schneider, Bill deVries
Strong – Merlyn Snow
South River – Jim Coleman, Jeff Dickerson
Machar – Doug Maeck, Ron Bennison
Business Reps – Gary McLaren
MNDM –
FedNor – Ron Begin

Absent: John Newstead, Carole Mantha

Staff Present: Caitlin Haggart – Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Jim Coleman.

General Discussion:

NOHFC Update – None

FedNor Update – the amendment and project deadline extension were received and approved. Ron Begin advised that no further amendments are to be submitted. He will provide an update on the EDOI program when he is able.

Business Rep Report – Gary McLaren advised that the Almaguin Highlands Community Guide should be off for printing but was not able to confirm with Dave Gray. He attended the FAB 2014 event in Burk's Falls and it was well attended.

Joint Services – the Fire Departments were discussed and the committee asked the secretary to invite the Fire Marshal to the next meeting to investigate some options for the future.

Intern Position – the hiring committee advised that 11 resumes were received and 3 were shortlisted for an interview. The interviews will be taking place Monday July 7th at 10:00a.m. at the Township of Strong Office. The hiring committee will bring a recommendation forward to the next regular meeting.

Correspondence:

Thank you letters were received from the Sundridge and Good Happenings Food Banks for the Business Expo donation. The committee asked that they be forwarded to the businesses involved as well.

A letter was sent to the MTO regarding signage for South Lake Bernard Road on Highway 11, but no response has been received to date.

An email was received from Don Curry, North Bay and District Multicultural Centre. They are still awaiting approval for funding for their immigration program and will advise when they receive confirmation.

Adoption of Minutes:

Resolution 2014-42

Moved by: Elgin Schneider **Seconded by:** Ron Bennison

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of May 21, 2014, as circulated.

Carried

Approve CAEDA Expenses:

The secretary advised that bills were received after the agenda items were sent out for the Intern Position ad and that it was added to the expense list. The Chair will follow up with John Finley on an invoice for completing a funding application.

Resolution 2014-43

Moved by: Doug Maeck **Seconded by:** J.A.K. Dickerson

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby approve expenses between May 22, 2014 and June 18, 2014 in the amount of \$1,336.53, and authorize the administrator to issue cheques for the same. **Carried**

New Business:

The Chair asked for the committee members to keep an eye out for any funding opportunities that may arise due to the recent Provincial Election which would be of benefit to the area.

Bill deVries advised that DSSAB has submitted a Homeless Persons Plan for the Parry Sound District for approval, and they have released a Socio-Economic Study on the region based on the 2011 Census.

Adjournment:

Resolution 2014-44

Moved by: Bill deVries **Seconded by:** J.A.K. Dickerson

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adjourn at 10:23 a.m. until the next regular meeting on July 16, 2014 at 9:00am at the Village of South River Municipal Office, or at the call of the Chair. **Carried**

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Chair, Jim Coleman

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Recording Secretary, Caitlin Haggart