



**Thursday, April 6, 2017**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
**Township of Strong Municipal Office**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Sundridge – Lyle Hall  
Strong – none  
South River – Jim Coleman  
Machar – Lynda Carleton  
Joly – Chris Nicholson  
AHCC Reps – Willy Hollett, Luke Preston  
MNDM –Carole Mantha  
FedNor – Ron Begin

**Guests:** Dave Gray, EDO BACED

**Staff Present:** Linda Maurer, Clerk, Township of Strong  
Skye Buchanan – Recording Secretary

**1. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.**

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chris Nicholson at 5:30 p.m. A moment to reflect the late Economic Development Office John Santarossa.

Motion to Amend Agenda:

**Resolution: #2017-24**

**Moved By: Lynda Carleton**

**Seconded By: Jim Coleman**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby amend the April 6, 2017 Agenda to include Dave Gray to the Agenda.

**CARRIED**

- 2. Delegates:** Dave Gray attended the meeting. He discussed his support to CAEDA with projects until CAEDA finds a replacement EDO. The Committee requested his assistance with the Strategic Plan.

*Luke Preston left the meeting at 5:40 p.m.*

Dave Gray also discussed opportunities for the future and succession planning with having joint EDOs for the area, which would be more regionalized, as CIINO contract is expiring April 2018 and the NOHFC contract is expiring December 31, 2017. Linda Maurer stated that CAEDA's contract expires April 4, 2019. He stated that two EDO's and perhaps an intern would be sufficient.

### 3. Discussion:

#### a. FedNor Update

Ron Begin presented his report. \$25,000,000.00 is funding over the next five years is being put into Northern Ontario. The Canada 150 projects are now under consideration.

#### b. MNDM Update

Carole Mantha presented her report. The March 31 dealing for the RED Application has expired. The next intake closes on September 29, 2017.

#### c. AHCC Representative Report

Willy Hollett presented his report. The Community Guide is underway. He also discussed the updated to their website and updating events to the site.

#### d. Draft 2017 Budget – Linda Maurer

Linda Maurer presented two Draft 2017 Budgets. #1 – Total \$82,916.79; #2 – \$79,416.79. The CAEDA Committee discussed both budgets and choose Draft #1. Linda Maurer stated that budget #1 includes the \$3,500.00 for the Strategic Plan and that there was a surplus from the 2015 budget in the amount of \$13,000.00 carried forward to the 2016 budget. The 2016 surplus carried forward to the 2017 budget was \$7,618.01.

#### **Resolution: #2017-25**

**Moved By: Lynda Carleton**

**Seconded By: Jim Coleman**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby recommend to respective Councils the adoption of the Draft #1 Budget for 2017 in the amount of \$82,916.79 with each municipal share of \$6,937.20, plus their membership fee of \$500.00, based on Joly Township's contribution of \$1,250.00.

**CARRIED**

### 4. Immigration Symposium – Wednesday, April 26, 2017

The Committee discussed the symposium. Chris Nicholson will attend at the opening ceremonies. He will discuss this further with Stacey Fiddler.

### 5. MTO Signage

Letter from BACED reviewed regarding the signage. Discussions took place with Dave Gray regarding the letter. He stated that he has yet to receive a response from MTO.

### 6. Villages of Almaguin Logo – reviewed

### 7. Regional Marketing Partnership Opportunity Proposal (deferred from February and March Meetings)

Dave Gray explained the partnership with Explorer's Edge and division of the cost.

#### **Resolution: #2017-26**

**Moved By: Lyle Hall**

**Seconded By: Lynda Carleton**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the Regional Marketing Opportunity proposal from BACED, with CAEDA's contribution being \$500.00.

**CARRIED**

**8. Almaguin Highlands Community Guide Ad 2017**

**Resolution: #2017-27**

**Moved by: Jim Coleman**

**Seconded by: Lynda Carleton**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby approve an ad size of ¼ page in the 2017 Almaguin Highlands Community Guide at the cost of \$240.00. **CARRIED**

**9. Almaguin Fun Run**

The Almaguin Fun Run was discussed. Dave Gray volunteered to assist CAEDA with attending the Fun Run meetings and reporting back to CAEDA.

**10. Adoption of Minutes: March 2, 2017**

**Resolution #2017-28**

**Moved By: Willey Hollett**

**Seconded By: Jim Coleman**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2017 at circulated. **CARRIED**

**11. Approve CAEDA Expenses: March 2, 2017 to April 6, 2017**

**Resolution #2017-29**

**Moved By: Lynda Carleton**

**Seconded By: Lyle Hall**

Be it resolution that this committee does hereby approve expenses between March 3, 2017 and April 5, 2017 in the amount of \$933.43, and authorize the administrator to issue cheques for same. **CARRIED**

**12. New Business:**

- a. Chris Nicholson advised the Committee that Les Blackwell will be leaving the Committee. Linda Maurer stated that Strong Council will discuss this at their Tuesday Night Council meeting.
- b. Ron Begin discussed Phoenix Trusses reopening the Kent Trusses Sundridge location.

**13. Next Meeting: May 4, 2017 – 5:30 pm**

**14. Strategic Planning – deferred**

*Dave Gray and Willy Hollett left at 7:25 p.m.*

**15. Closed Session**

**Resolution #2017-30**

**Moved By: Lynda Carleton**

**Seconded By: Lyle Hall**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby move into closed session at 7:26 p.m., under subsection 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act to consider a matter



involving “personal matters about an identifiable individual, including board; municipal or local board employees”. **CARRIED**

The Committee resumed its regular meeting at 7:09 p.m. The Chair reported that the committee did discuss the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

## **16. Adjournment**

### **Resolution #2017-32**

**Moved By: Lyle Hall**

**Seconded By: Lynda Carleton**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adjourn at 7:40 p.m. until the next regular meeting on May 4, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the Township of Strong Municipal Office, or at the call of the Chair. **CARRIED**

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Chris Nicholson, Chairperson

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Skye Buchanan, Secretary