



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**January 24, 2013 –11:00 AM
Council Chamber, Court House, Stratford**

Members Present:

Councillor Robert Wilhelm, Chairperson, Councillor Jim Aitcheson, Councillor Rhonda Ehgoetz, Councillor Walter McKenzie, Councillor Bob McMillan, Councillor Mert Schneider, Warden Vince Judge, and Councillor Bill French

Staff Present:

Bill Arthur, Chief Administrative Officer, Kristin Sainsbury, Economic Development Coordinator, and Pauline Walkom, Recorder/Administrative Support Clerk

ABSENT: Councillor Julie Behrns, Councillor Ian Forrest

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Robert Wilhelm called the meeting to order at 11:00A.M. and verified quorum was present.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Jim Aitcheson
Seconded by Councillor Rhonda Ehgoetz
THAT the Agenda for January 24, 2012 be approved;

Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST and general nature thereof
No Disclosures stated.

4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Walter McKenzie
Seconded by: Councillor Mert Schneider
THAT the minutes of the December 20, 2012 Economic Development Committee meeting minutes be approved;

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS - NONE

6. REPORTS

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6.1 County Economic Development Priorities and CAO Consultation

Kristin Sainsbury reviewed the report “County Economic Development Priorities and CAO Consultation. Appendix A – Economic Development Strategic Priorities 2013 by Priority Area was included with the Agenda package.

Kristin Sainsbury noted that while Perth East was unable to participate in the survey, the CAO has reviewed the report as well and indicated it reflects his opinions.

Moved by Councillor Jim Aitcheson
Seconded by Councillor Bill French

THAT report prepared by Kristin Sainsbury, dated January 15, 2013 regarding the County Economic Development Priorities and CAO Consultation, be received

AND THAT the proposed 2013 Strategic Priorities for Economic Development is approved;

Carried

7. Correspondence

7.1 Municipality of West Perth – December 12, 2012 – Economic Development Committee Minutes

Moved by Councillor Walter McKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Bob McMillan

THAT the minutes of West Perth Economic Development Committee meeting dated, December 12, 2012 be received;

Carried

8. Other Business

8.1 Committee Dates:

The proposed Committee dates are: April 4, June 20, September 12 and November 7, 2013. The meeting will follow the Council meeting. Further meeting dates will be added as needed.

Motion by Councillor Mert Schneider
Seconded by Councillor Jim Aitcheson

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THAT the proposed Committee meeting dates (April 4, June 20, September 12 and November 7, 2013 be approved;

Carried

- 9. **CLOSED MEETING – NO CLOSED MEETING**
- 10. **REPORTING OUT FROM CLOSED MEETING - NONE**
- 13. **NEXT MEETING:** April 4, 2012 at 1:00 PM (or following Council)
- 14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Mert Schneider
Seconded by Councillor Rhonda Ehgoetz
THAT the meeting adjourn at 11:22 A.M.;

Carried

Councillor Robert Wilhelm, Chair

Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support
Clerk/Recorder