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Community Development Committee Meeting
Front of Yonge Township Hall

April 25, 2019

In attendance: Council: Richard Marcoux, Marg Fancy
Residents: Laurel Burnham Green, Elaine Covey, Craig Fowler
Guest: Roger Haley

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Richard and seconded by Elaine that the agenda be approved as circulated.
Carried

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Marg and seconded by Laurel that the minutes of the March 28, 2019 meeting be approved. Carried.

Old Business Updates:

a) Festival of Small Halls: Marg reported that unfortunately the Mallorytown Legion's application to host a festival was turned down. No reason was given, and Marg has written to ask for some feedback.

b) Family Sponsored Park Benches: An item was included in the last Township newsletter, in order to gauge interest from residents.

c) 1000 Islands Parkway Challenge: Planning for this event on Saturday, June 1st is going well. LTI Township has received a \$500 grant towards the cost of the event, but Front of Yonge did not hear back from their application. Volunteers are needed.

d) Revitalization Projects: Richard reported that no businesses have applied for the facade improvement grant as of yet. He would like to see a crosswalk in front of the school to be included if possible. Marg will contact someone from the Health Unit which offers help with planning and possible grants for crosswalks.

e) Agricultural Information Session: Roger recently attended a OFA meeting in Lansdowne, and has received an overwhelming response from farmers. He has interest from three beef farmers, a sheep herder, berry growers, and a promoter, among others. A representative from the Federation of Agriculture has offered to help. The initial meeting will be held May 14th to organize the event.

f) 2019 Communications Strategy: Marg discussed the summary which she and Jennifer had prepared. Members will review and suggest any additions to this.

g) Rink Revenue Generation: Staff have provided a sample advertising standards document with pricing. Roger will come up with a draft criteria for Front of Yonge Township for Recreation and CDC members to review.

New Business:

a) Appointment of Chairperson: It was moved by Richard and seconded by Elaine that Craig Fowler be appointed as Chair of the Community Development Committee.
Carried.

b) Broadband Project: There have been funding promises made by both senior levels of government. There is an Eastern Ontario broadband group as well, and they need to be ready to act when the grants are announced. Marg knows some people who are interested in this topic, and some research has been done. She offered to speak with them and try to form a working group for our Township.

c) Living Here Magazine Ad: This was discussed and tabled.

d) Welcome Wagon revamp: Staff have provided information on the number of new homes and property sales each year. A committee would be needed to provide welcome packages to all new residents. The packages could include the new resident guide, which has been updated. Discussion took place regarding how this information would be obtained, in order to deliver the packages, and whether they could be handed out at the Township Office when new residents identify themselves.

e) New Cidery business: The company is called BUSL Cider Co. The official opening date is June 7th. The owner will be asked to attend a future meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on June 27th, 2019 at 7 pm.

Adjournment: It was moved by Richard that the meeting adjourn.