

## **Town of Churchill**

## **Meeting Minutes**

January 12, 2015 - Community and Economic Development - 5:00 PM

Present:
Mayor Michael Spence
Councillor Shane Hutchins
Councillor Bill Dingwall
Councillor Heather Botelho
Councillor Joanne Stover
Executive Director Cory Young
Sustainability Coordinator Susan Maxon

#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

The Committee agreed the Chair shall be the Mayor and in his absence the Deputy Mayor.

#### 2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to Order at 5:05 PM by Mayor Spence.

#### 3. REVIEW OF MINUTES

This is the first meeting of the Community and Economic Development Committee and as such there were no Minutes to review.

### 4. REVIEW TERMS OF REFRENCES PER BY-LAW #766/2014

By-Law #766/2014 provides for the Terms of Reference outlining the scope of the Committee's responsibility. The By-law states the following:

- To advance economic opportunities and initiatives that will have a positive effect on the community;
- To make recommendations to Council on all land development issues including but not limited to:
- Proposed Development Plans and/or Zoning By-Law amendments:
- Variation applications;
- Proposals for development that deviate from existing development controls;

- Conditional use applications;
- To review and report to Council on all matters respecting the sale and development of municipal land including issues relating to zoning.
- Communication using social media platforms
- Community Futures
- Churchill Chamber of Commerce
- Hudson Bay Regional Roundtable

As a result of the review of the Terms of Reference it was agreed that the Committee directed Administration to extend an invitation to the Churchill Chamber of Commerce to meet with the Chamber.

# ACTION: Administration to arrange a meeting with the Churchill Chamber of Commerce

#### 5. IN-CAMERA

As per Section 152 (3) of *The Municipal Act*, the Committee convened in-camera at 5:40 PM.

The Committee reconvened into regular session at 7:40 PM

# 6. ISSUE SHEET CEDC#01-2015 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE

An Issue Sheet was presented to the Committee outlining the benefits of attending the FCM's Sustainable Communities Conference, February 10-12, 2015 in London, Ontario. The theme - Building Momentum for Sustainability - Moving from vision to reality.

This conference focuses on moving from the planning for sustainability to actions for implementation which is exactly where the point where the Sustainability Framework is at this moment. Sessions and workshops cover mobilization and implementation, giving practical tools, skills and resources to achieve tangible results. There are two full day training sessions on the first day that would be applicable to Churchill and five or six workshops on the next two days.

Full day sessions include,

- Advanced Training: Civic Engagement for Sustainability: What, Why and How:
- Advanced Training: Implementing Sustainable Community Plans
- Relevant Workshops include:
- Fresh Approaches to Sustainable Local Economic Development
- Leading Change: Tools for Staff Sustainability Champions
- What it takes to learn from what didn't work

- The Two-Sided Coin: Navigating Polarized Issues
- Rural Sustainability Solutions
- Open Space Overcoming Challenges Together

Recommendation: That the Community and Economic Development Committee recommend to Council that Administration attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Sustainability Conference on February 10-12, 2015. It is further recommended that the information learned at the Conference be reported back the Committee with respect to lessons learned and local implementation based on this knowledge.

### 7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM to meet again on February 9, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.