

Rural Initiatives/Planning Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: May 12, 2020
Location: Elgin County Administration Building, 450 Sunset Drive, St. Thomas
 Administrative Services Boardroom, 3rd Floor
Time: 1:00 p.m.

Attendees: *Members of the Rural Initiatives/Planning Advisory Committee*

Councillor Ed Ketchabaw (electronic)
 Councillor Sally Martyn (electronic)
 Councillor Dominique Giguère (electronic)
 Warden Dave Mennill (electronic)
 Heather Derks (electronic)

Elgin County Staff

Chief Administrative Officer, Julie Gonyou (in-person)
 General Manager of Economic Development, Alan Smith (electronic)
 Jim Bundschuh (electronic)
 Legislative Services Coordinator, Carolyn Krahn (in-person)

1. Call to Order

The Rural Initiatives/Planning Advisory Committee met this 12th day of May, 2020 in the Administrative Services Boardroom, at the County Administration Building, St. Thomas at 1:00 p.m. Committee Members and some Elgin County Staff members joined the meeting electronically via video conferencing.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Warden Mennill
 Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Dave Mennill	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Heather Derks	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Giguère
Seconded by: Councillor Martyn

Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Dave Mennill	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Heather Derks	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

4. Elgin County 2020 Grant and Festival Events Partnership Program Allocations

The Chief Administrative Officer presented a report reviewing the remaining 2020 Grant and Festival Events Program applications. A number of events and programs have been cancelled in Elgin County in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. With direction from Chairman Ketchabaw, staff solicited additional information from grant applicants, seeking additional information with respect to whether their request for funding has changed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Moved by: Warden Mennill
Seconded by: Councillor Martyn

Resolved that the Committee recommend to County Council that Eat to Learn be granted \$6,250.00 immediately; and, that the remaining commitments be maintained until such time as the Committee receives confirmation of whether the planned events will be cancelled; and, that the Committee hold on to funds from cancelled events for future use.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Dave Mennill	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Heather Derks	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	

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- Motion Carried.

5. Signage Grant – Aylmer-Malahide Museum/Archives

The General Manager of Economic Development presented information on the signage grant request from the Aylmer-Malahide Museum/Archives.

Moved by: Councillor Martyn
Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the Committee grant the request for \$150 to the Aylmer-Malahide Museum/Archives.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Dave Mennill	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Heather Derks	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

6. Next Meeting Date

A tentative meeting date has been set for June 9, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Warden Mennill
Seconded by: Heather Derks

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 1:26 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Dave Mennill	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	

Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Heather Derks	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.