

DRAFT MINUTES

Rural Initiatives/Planning Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: May 18, 2021
Location: Electronic Meeting
Time: 1:00 P.M.

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

Councillor Ed Ketchabaw, Chair
 Councillor Sally Martyn
 Councillor Dominique Giguère
 Warden Tom Marks

Elgin County Staff

Chief Administrative Officer, Julie Gonyou
 General Manager of Engineering, Planning & Enterprise, Brian Lima
 Manager of Planning, Nancy Pasato
 Manager of Administrative Services, Katherine Thompson
 Legislatives Services Coordinator, Carolyn Krahn

1. Call to Order

The Rural Initiatives/Planning Advisory Committee met this 18th day of May, 2021.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Warden Marks
 Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Tom Marks	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Martyn

Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Tom Marks	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

5. Community Grant Program Request – Bayham Historical Society

The Manager of Administrative Services provided an update from the Bayham Historical Society regarding Edisonfest. The festival is generally held in early June, but the Historical Society anticipates moving the festival to September 2021 with some changes in format due to the ongoing pandemic. The Historical Society requested that their grant be applied to the new date in September.

Moved by: Warden Marks

Seconded by: Councillor Martyn

RESOLVED THAT the grant to the Bayham Historical Society for Edisonfest be extended from June to September 2021.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Tom Marks	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Sally Martyn	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	

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- Motion Carried.

6. Official Plan Review – What We Heard Report #1

The General Manager of Engineering, Planning & Enterprise provided an update on the first Phase (Understanding the Context) of the Official Plan Review. In Phase One, staff organized a public kick-off meeting, launched an Official Plan Review webpage, sent emails to local businesses inviting them to get involved, attended local Municipal Council Meetings for all seven (7) local municipalities, developed a stakeholder discussion guide, and developed a public survey to help understand community priorities. Staff also presented the feedback received in the first phase of the Review.

Moved by: Councillor Martyn

Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

RESOLVED THAT the report from the General Manager of Engineering, Planning & Enterprise be received; and

THAT staff be directed to present the What We Heard Report #1 to County Council.

7. Committee Composition Update – Outreach to the Elgin Federation of Agriculture

The Manager of Planning provided an update on Committee Composition. The Manager of Planning reached out to the Elgin Federation of Agriculture to see if any of their members would be interested in serving on the Rural Initiatives and Planning Advisory Committee. They indicated that May is their busiest season and that they would not meet until June to discuss providing a candidate for the Committee

8. Correspondence

None.

9. New Business

None.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The Committee will meet again on Tuesday, June 22 at 1:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

Moved by: Warden Marks

Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 1:30 p.m.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Warden Tom Marks	Yes	
Councillor Dominique Giguère	Yes	
Councillor Martyn	Yes	
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.