

Corporation of the County of Elgin

CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

For Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

The Elgin County Connectivity Committee met this 20th day of July, 2022. The meeting was held in a hybrid in-person/electronic format with Committee Members and staff participating as indicated below.

Attendees: Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair (in-person)
Councillor Dominique Giguère (electronic)
Councillor Duncan McPhail (in-person)
Justin Pennings, Community Member (electronic)
Mike Andrews, Community Member

Staff: Julie Gonyou, Chief Administrative Officer (in-person)
Brian Lima, General Manager of EPE/Deputy CAO (in-person)
Katherine Thompson, Manager of Administrative Services/Deputy Clerk (in-person)
Jeremy Sharkey, IT Coordinator (virtual)
Delany Leitch, Legislative Services Coordinator (in-person)

Regrets: Joshua Kiirya, Community Member
Jeff Brock, Director of IT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. with Deputy Warden Marks in the Chair.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Giguère
Seconded by: Councillor McPhail

RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the July 20, 2022 meeting be approved as presented.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |
| Mike Andrews | | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Giguère
Seconded by: Justin Pennings

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held June 29, 2022 be adopted.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |
| Mike Andrews | | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. BRIEFINGS

6.1 Connectivity Advocacy Plan – Chief Administrative Officer

The Chief Administrative Officer presented the report containing an updated draft Connectivity Advocacy Plan for the Committee’s review and comment.

Moved by: Councillor Giguère
Seconded by: Justin Pennings

RESOLVED THAT the Connectivity Committee Advocacy Plan be approved and forwarded to Elgin County Council for their review and endorsement.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |
| Mike Andrews | | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.

6.2 Building Broadband Faster Act, 2021 Update – Chief Administrative Officer

The Chief Administrative Officer presented a summary of the current status of the *Building Broadband Faster Act, 2021* for the Committee’s information.

Moved by: Councillor McPhail
Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

RESOLVED THAT the report titled “Building Broadband Faster Act, 2021 Update” from the Chief Administrative Officer be received and filed.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
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| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |

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| Mike Andrews | | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.

6.3 SWIFT Project Update – Chief Administrative Officer

The Chief Administrative Officer presented a summary of the current status of SWIFT broadband projects for the Committee's information.

Moved by: Councillor McPhail
Seconded by: Justin Pennings

RESOLVED THAT the report titled "SWIFT Project Update" from the Chief Administrative Officer be received and filed.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |
| Mike Andrews | | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.

Mike Andrews joined the meeting.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Connectivity Committee will meet again on August 24th, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Giguère
Seconded by: Justin Pennings

RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn at 2:45 p.m. to meet again on August 24th, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Recorded Vote

| | Yes | No | Abstain |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Councillor Dominique Giguère | X | | |
| Councillor Duncan McPhail | X | | |
| Justin Pennings | X | | |
| Mike Andrews | X | | |
| Deputy Warden Tom Marks, Chair | X | | |
| TOTAL | 5 | 0 | |

- Motion Carried.



Julie Gonyou,
Chief Administrative Officer.



Tom Marks,
Chair.