

**MEETING OF**  
**THE ONTARIO SMALL URBAN MUNICIPALITIES (OSUM)**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Date: Sunday, August 18, 2013**

**Time: 2:00 p.m.**

**Place: Oak Room, Westin Hotel, Ottawa**

**MINUTES**

1. Welcome and Regrets

Jim Collard, Councillor	Niagara-On-The-Lake
Gail Ardiel, Councillor	Town of The Blue Mountains
Rick Milne, Councillor	Town of New Tecumseth
Jamie McGarvey, Mayor	Town of Parry Sound
Paul Grenier, Councillor	City of Welland
Tom Clifford, Councillor	City of Stratford
Bob Kilger, Mayor	City of Cornwall
Lynn Dollin, Councillor	Town of Innisfil
Ron Elliott, Councillor	Town of Minto
Neil R. Ellis, Mayor	City of Belleville
Larry J. McCabe, CAO	Town of Goderich
Gary McNamara	Honorary Member
Nancy Plumridge	AMO
Michael Jacek	AMO Policy Advisor

Absent:

Rob Foster, Councillor	Town of Lincoln
Gail Campbell, Councillor	Town of Orangeville
Michelle Smibert, CAO	Middlesex Centre

At this time Minister Glen Murray, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation addresses the Committee briefly and feels that he has concern on revenue sharing and issues facing Municipalities between 10,000 and 120,000 and funding associated thereto. Minister Murray leaves with the Committee, the possibility of setting up a meeting with himself and the OSUM Executive Committee for a day session or perhaps one with Minister Jeffrey in attendance to discuss revenue sharing concerns and funding for Small Urban Municipalities as discussed. This will be followed by up by Administrative Officer McCabe.

Minister Jeffrey, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, is present at 3:15 p.m. and a number of questions are asked with regards to pertinent issues important to the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities Executive. The 100 million dollar allocation for the MIII program and in addition, the following matters are discussed with the Minister;

- Cost of policing
- Double hatter
- Low water levels in the Great Lakes
- Challenges to Canadian Canneries and harmonizing labels

Minister Jeffrey advises that both herself and the Premier are aware of many of the concerns that have been discussed today and that specifically the Minister of Agriculture, being the Premier of Ontario is aware of the concerns of the Ontario Canning Industry and harmonizing of labels as well as the concerns on policing and low water levels.

Chair Collard thanks the Minister for being present and allowing the OSUM Executive Committee to express some of the issues that are pertinent to the Committee.

2. Conflict of Interest-none

3. Memo from Larry McCabe, Town of Goderich, re OSUM Executive Committee Structure

Following discussion;

Moved by Rick Milne

Seconded by Jamie McGarvey

That the future of OSUM finances and AMO's involvement and other alternatives, be referred to Chair Collard, Vice Chair Dollin and Administrative Officer McCabe, to meet with AMO and others to bring back alternatives for future funding of OSUM and structure and that also information concerning the Conference Coordinator position.

CARRIED

4. Chair Jim Collard-FONOM Municipalities Costs-received for information

5. Financial Statements/Revenues/Expenditures-2013 Budget to Actual as at August 13, 2013

Moved by Lynn Dollin

Seconded by Gail Ardiel

That the Financial Statements/ Revenues/Expenditures-2013 Budget to Actual as at August 13, 2013, be received.

CARRIED

6. Minutes:

- Approval of Executive Committee Minutes- February 2, 2013
- Approval of Executive Committee Minutes- April 30, 2013
- Approval of Executive Committee Minutes- May 3, 2013

Moved by Jamie McGarvey

Seconded by Bob Kilger

That the Executive Committee Minutes of February 2, 2013, April 30, 2013 and May 3, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED

7. Received from Lynn Dollin, Town of Innisfil, Conference Proposal re Infracycle Fiscal Solutions

Moved by Larry J. McCabe

Seconded by Ron Elliott

That the information regarding the Infracycle Fiscal Solutions be received and be referred to Lynn Dollin to follow up.

CARRIED

8. Appreciation from family of Ted Blowes regarding donations

Various cards received from the Blowes family are considered by the Committee and received.

9. Previous matters discussed by OSUM Executive Committee

- Double Hatter
- Long Term Infrastructure Funding
- Interest Arbitration
- Low Water Levels in Great Lakes
- Affordable and Sustainable and Accountable Policing and Costs
- Challenges to Ontario's Canning Industry – Harmonizing Labels

10. Update and Discussion-OSUM Conference-Parry Sound 2014

October 5, 2013, the Committee will meet in Parry Sound and a detailed discussion will occur with regards to the 2014 OSUM Conference.

11. New Business

The Committee discuss the AMO position concerning the MIII and the 100 million dollar program and that AMO supports a base plus a per capita amount to Municipalities that meet the requirements of the program and this position will be taken forward to the Province.

The Committee request that a letter be forwarded to Susan Gardiner thanking her for her article on Ted Blowes.

It is noted that the following requests for future OSUM Conferences have been received.

2014 Parry Sound-confirmed

2015 Belleville-confirmed

2016-Stratford-although a letter apparently has been received, additional information is forthcoming as to Stratford hosting a conference in 2016.

2017-Niagara Falls-A letter has been received. At the October meeting discussion will occur and confirmation of Niagara Falls in 2016 or 2017.

12. Next Meeting

- Saturday October 5, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. – Parry Sound

13. Adjournment

Moved by Paul Grenier

Seconded by Ron Elliott

That there being no further business, the OSUM Executive Committee meeting adjourn at 4:15 p.m.

CARRIED

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY