

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

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Menesetung Room, Goderich Town Hall, 57 West Street, Goderich, Ontario

MINUTES

Welcome and Regrets

Graydon Smith, Town of Bracebridge
Ron Elliott, Town of Minto
Jamie McGarvey, Town of Parry Sound
Rick Milne, Town of New Tecumseth
Bob Kwapis, Town of Newmarket
Lynn Dollin, Town of Innisfil
Joanne Vanderheyden, Strathroy-Caradoc
Hilda MacDonald, Municipality of Leamington

Administrative Representatives:

Larry McCabe, Town of Goderich and Administrative Officer
Dwayne Evans, Township of North Huron

Also Present:

Brian Rosborough, AMO
Petra Wolfbeiss, AMO

Regrets:

Mason Ainsworth, City of Orillia
Jo-Anne Albert, Township of Tweed

1. Conflict of Interest

2. Minutes:

a. Approval of Executive Committee Minutes – August 18, 2019

Moved by: Joanne Vanderheyden
Seconded by: Ron Elliott

That the August 18, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, be approved.
CARRIED

3. Business

a. Host – Future

The Committee discuss future locations for the OSUM Conference noting that the County of Brant will be receiving a report from staff to host the 2020 Conference. Administrative Officer McCabe is working with a staff member of the County and the report should be going to Brant County Council shortly to hopefully confirm the County of Brant to host the 2020 Conference. Orillia has indicated an interest in 2021, May 2-4, 2021. There is interest from Cobourg, New Tecumseth and we will deal with those requests at a later date however at this time:

Moved by: Lynn Dollin
Seconded by: Bob Kwapis

That the OSUM Executive Committee confirm the County of Brant subject to Brant County approval, to host the OSUM Conference in 2020 and Orillia in 2021.

CARRIED

It is further noted that Goderich and Bracebridge may have an interest subject to the confirmation of Brant County.

b. Redbrick Communications Proposal

The Committee review a submission from Redbrick for supporting the OSUM Executive Committee in a number of areas to develop a stronger identity for OSUM including a clear sense of purpose. It is noted that the Committee feel the areas as follows should be considered for Redbrick to support OSUM:

- Logo
- Website
- Media Relations and possibly video

As presented in their proposal. Range of this would be between \$16,000.00 to \$20,000.00. Following discussion;

Moved by: Jamie McGarvey
Seconded by: Rick Milne

That the OSUM Executive Committee approve a range of \$16,000.00 to \$20,000.00 for Redbrick Communications to support OSUM to develop a stronger identity for OSUM including a clear sense of purpose as detailed in their submission and that the areas specifically requested for support be the logo, website, media relations and possibly video.

CARRIED

It is further noted an invoice has been received for work to date by Redbrick in the amount of \$5,212.13.

Moved by: Bob Kwapis
Seconded by: Hilda MacDonald

That the Redbrick invoice in the amount of \$5,212.13 be paid.

CARRIED

c. Financial Statements

Administrative Officer McCabe advises that net of the Redbrick account and other expenses projected to year end that the surplus for 2019 should be approximately \$35,000.00 resulting in a bank balance of approximately \$140,000.00.

Following discussion;

Moved by: Rick Milne
Seconded by: Bob Kwapis

That the financial information including income statement and balance sheet as at September 30, 2019 and as projected, be received.

CARRIED

4. New Business

The following matters affecting Small Urban Municipalities and others are discussed by the Committee:

- Regional review update provided by Brian Rosborough and should be forthcoming later in the fall
- AMO's pre-budget submission to the Province is explained by Brian Rosborough and it will concentrate on municipal finances

- Hospital funding – it is noted that the recent announcement for hospitals has been approved ranging from 1% to 1.5% funding for medium and small municipalities totalling 68 million dollars
- Jim Pine has been appointed by the Province to look into the EMS and Modernization funding for hospitals
- Modernization fund – Administrative Officer McCabe will send out something to the OSUM members asking them to provide some detail with regards to their funding and the areas that they have spent it on or reserved.
- Recreation grants are discussed with regards to small renos and major capital
- Joint and Several Liability – noting that AMO is consulting with the Province in this matter and preparing a consultation paper
- Native Consultation is discussed
- Local Service – OPP and it is noted that AMO are reviewing this matter
- Homelessness issue is discussed and concerns are expressed in this area – this may be a topic for the Conference in 2020
- Cannabis legislation

5. Unfinished Business

6. Next Meeting: Brant County in January or February

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Joanne Vanderheyden

Seconded by: Ron Elliott

That there being no further business, the OSUM Executive Committee meeting adjourn at 10:45 a.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY

