

# MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX TOURISM ADVISORY PANEL MINUTES

Thursday, April 1, 2021 9:00 AM

### Held via WebEx Video and Teleconference

PANEL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF/COUNCIL PRESENT	
Chair:	Dennis O'Connor	Kari Lambe, Manager of Community Services	
	Peter Sweet	Melanie Kirkby, Treasurer	
	Jeff Brown	Amanda Trafford, Business Development Coordinator	
	John Nagy	Councillor Matt Harper	
	Lisa Robichaud		
	Meg Dabros		
Non-Voting:	Amy Kirkland		
Regrets:	Jean Cutcliffe		
	Kathrine Christensen		

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1.	Call Meeting to Order			
	Chair Dennis O'Connor called the meeting to order at 9:08 am.			
2.	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof			
3.	MATTAP Motion #2021- 08 – Approval of Minutes from March 4, 2021			
	Moved by: John Nagy Seconded by: Jeff Brown BE IT RESOLVED THAT A MOTION WAS PASSED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021 MEETING. CARRIED	OF		
4.	Public Question/Comment	NONE		
5.	Disclosure of Additional Items	NONE		
6.	Delegations	NONE		
7.	Presentations by Staff/Others	NONE		
8.	Unfinished Business			
	Notice of motion – Delegation of Authority – Tourism Advisory Panel (TAP) – Authority to approve Tourism Community Events			
	<ul> <li>Kari explained that Council passed a motion empowering TAP to manage the budget of \$100,000</li> </ul>			
	2. Tourism Advisory Panel Funding Application			

- a. Meg provided an update regarding application
- b. No current event applications, but several are expected in time for the next meeting
- c. Once applications are submitted, the group will review to ensure complete
- d. Amanda to add the application to website. Follow link to access the application listed under Tourism Advisory Panel (TAP) <a href="https://www.gananoque.ca/town-hall/committees-and-boards/committees-and-board-directory">https://www.gananoque.ca/town-hall/committees-and-boards/committees-and-board-directory</a>
- 3. Visitor Centre Gananoque & TLTI
  - a. Kari provided an update regarding the Visitor Centre. Town & Township will continue partnership in the Visitor Centre.
- 9. Correspondence

NONE

### 10. New Business - See below

#### 11. Discussion of Additional Items

- 1. Gananoque 401 Signs & gates
  - John would like the group to support upgrades to the sign
  - Jeff donated large anchor to be placed at one of the signs
  - Kari explained rec team continues to weed around sign
  - A change in service to the signs would require approval from council
  - TAP to identify changes/updates to the sign and will bring recommendations to the next meeting. Potential to loop in horticulture society
- 2. Susan Push
  - John brought up repairs to the train
  - Kari explained Heritage Advisory Panel is working to upgrade the train, many updates have been done
  - If Heritage approached TAP for funding, no application would be needed
- 3. Create a timeline at next meeting for these projects
- 4. Lisa spoke in regards to restrictions on bookings for accommodations. Melanie explained that the health unit sets guidelines in regards to this.
- **12.** Next Regular Meeting Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 9:00am

#### 13. Adjournment

# MATTAP Motion #2021- 09 To Adjourn Meeting

Moved by: Matt Harper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MUNICIPAL ACCOMIDATION TAX TOURSIM ADVISORY PANEL HEREBY ADJOURNS THIS MEETING.

CARRIED

Dennis O'Connor, Chair

Jennifer Baril, Recording Secretary

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