



TOURISM ADVISORY PANEL (TAP) MINUTES

On Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 9:00 AM Online through **WebEx**

Teleconference

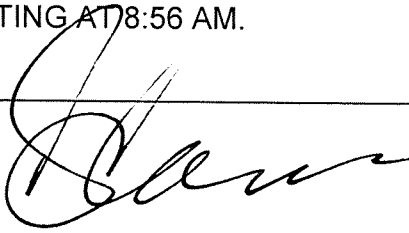
PANEL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF COUNCIL PRESENT
Chair:	Dennis O'Connor	Councillor Matt Harper
	Kathrine Christenson	Amanda Trafford, Business Development Coordinator
	Jeff Brown	Melanie Kirkby, Treasurer
	Lisa Robichaud	Emily Parker, Community Services Coordinator
	John Nagy	
	Peter Sweet	
Non-Voting	Meg Dabros	
	Bill Stewart	
Regrets:		Douglas Wark, Manager of Community Services

1.	Call Meeting to Order – Chair called meeting to order at 9:07 am	
2.	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof	NONE
3.	<p>MATTAP: Motion #2021-22 – Approval of Minutes: April 1, 2021, May 6, 2021, May 13, 2021, May 20, 2021</p> <p>Moved by: Chair, Dennis O'Connor Seconded: Jeff Brown</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT A MOTION WAS PASSED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021 MEETING, THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021 MEETING, THURSDAY, May 13, 2021 MEETING AND THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021 MEETING.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
4.	Public Question/Comment (Only Addressing Items on the Agenda)	NONE
5.	Disclosure of Additional Items	NONE

6.	Delegations	NONE
7.	Presentations by Staff/Others	NONE
8.	Municipal Accommodation Tax Income Statement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer, Melanie, provided an update of 2020 – 2021 Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) financial statements. Melanie noted that a total of \$48,500.00 of TAP funding has been approved to date from the \$100,000.00 total 2021 budget. Once the approved events are paid out these numbers will reflect in the following financial statements. 	
9.	Unfinished Business	
	1. Gananoque 401 Signs, Gates & Susan Push	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Nagy provided an update pertaining to the permit process with the Ministry of Transportation (MTO). Placement and care of anchor donated to be worked into design of landscaping. To be discussed at the next meeting. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Advisory Panel discussed the restoration of the Susan Push/Shelter site and its current state. Amanda will discuss these plans with the Heritage Committee. Potential incoming funding application. 	
	2. King Street Walking Bridge Condition	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer, Melanie, after consultation with Public Works and project engineers, noted that it is not recommended that the Crafts of the River event take place on the public bridge in its current state. Restoration to be discussed at Town Park Committee meeting, updates to be discussed at the next TAP meeting. Consultation with event organizer in place to find temporary location for Crafts on the River event. 	
10.	Correspondence	NONE
11.	New Business	
	1. Looking forward to Fall/Winter Events	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Advisory Panel discussed potential events to support with the remaining 50% of annual TAP budget for 2021. The renewed budget begins in January. Potential events may include Curling Club and a community Remembrance Day initiative. 	

	Recommending TAP Advisory Panel members to encourage fall/winter events.	
12.	Discussion of Additional Items	NONE
13.	Next Regular Meeting - Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 10:30 am.	
	<p>MATTAP Motion #2021-23 – Changing Meeting Time from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.</p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Matt Harper Seconded by: Kathrine Christensen</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HAVE CHANGED THE MONTHLY MEETING START TIME FROM 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM UNTIL NOVEMBER, AT WHICH TIME THE DECISION WILL BE RE-EVALUATED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
14.	Adjournment	
	<p>MATTAP Motion #2021-24</p> <p>Moved by: Peter Sweet</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX (MAT) TOURISM ADVISORY PANEL HEREBY ADJOURNS THIS MEETING AT 8:56 AM.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	

Chair:



Date:

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