

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
February 1, 2005

The regular meeting of the Economic Development Committee was held this evening with Mayor Jacyno in the Chair and all members present except Councillor White. Staff members present were Terry Lapierre, CAO and Susan Ellis – Coordinator, Economic Development Recreation & Tourism.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Lowe, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scott THAT the Minutes of the January 4, 2005 meeting are accepted as circulated.
CARRIED.

ITEM #1 **ECONOMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Ms. Ellis informed the Committee that the focus of the Economic Development Advisory Committee would be changing in the year 2005. She said that Deputy Mayor Scott will be inviting members of the business community to participate in a round table discussion concerning specific issues.

Deputy Mayor added that he felt the business community would have more input in 2005. Each meeting will focus on different businesses attending and focusing on issues that directly impact their strategic planning.

ITEM #2 **OTTAWA RIVER WATERWAY**

Ms. Ellis reviewed an information item from Mr. Gary Wiseman, Fitzroy project leader. Mr. Wiseman is anticipating the opening of Fitzroy Bypass which will be a tremendous boost to boating on the Ottawa River Waterway.

Deputy Mayor Scott questioned how many visitors' slips we offer at the Marina. Ms. Nagora said we try to hold 4-6 slips for visitors each season. Deputy Mayor Scott felt that more slips are going to be needed to accommodate boaters coming up the river.

Councillor Henderson asked if we knew the number of additional boats that we may see in a season. Councillor O'Neill said it's not going to happen overnight and we need to monitor this situation.

ITEM #3 **COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM**

Ms. Ellis provided this report as an information item.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Levasseur, seconded by Councillor Lowe THAT this meeting becomes a closed meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, labour relations or the security of the property of the municipality. Time 8:50pm

The meeting adjourned on motion by Councillor Henderson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scott. **CARRIED.**