

**SOUTH ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER COMMITTEE**

JOINT MEETING MINUTES April 13, 2015

The regular meeting of the South Almaguin Highlands Economic Development Committee (SAHEDC) and the Community Economic Development Officer Committee (CDO) was held at the Burk's Falls Municipal Office on Monday April 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Councillor Rosalind Hall, Councillor Lewis Hodgson, Dave Gray, Tom Tota, Nicky Kunkel, Wendy Whitwell, Martin Cremin, Andrew Farnsworth.

Minutes

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Tom Tota, be it resolved that SAHEDC accept the minutes from the regular meeting of March 9, 2015.

Farmer's Market Update

Martin Cremin and Tom Tota informed the Committee that the Farmer's Market location has been confirmed at the Legacy Centre parking lot, with space available inside as well. The date will remain the same as Tuesday mornings.

CIINO Update

Andrew Farnsworth informed the Committee that the application for funding under the CIINO program was successful. Andrew and Dave Gray will prepare the workplan for the Committee's review and provide more detail at the next meeting.

CDO Update

Dave provided SAHEDC with his monthly report:

Showcase Almaguin: Dave presented statistics and a survey summary from the event. Overall, the event was considered a success, and the goals for next year will be to increase participation and provide more seminars for business people and more time for networking.

Community Guide: The Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce (AHCC) has hired a designer to assist with the preparation of the Community Guide. Dave will continue to provide support and material related to the Burk's Falls, Armour and Ryerson area.

Celebrate Almaguin / Hunter's Bay Radio: Dave provided an update on the Celebrate Almaguin radio show, indicating that the initiative is progressing well. The shows air on 88.7 FM, Monday at 3:30. The shows can also be accessed through the Hunter's Bay Radio Soundcloud page at <https://soundcloud.com/hunters-bay-radio>

Heritage Canada Main Street Program: Dave provided preliminary information regarding the Heritage Canada Main Street Program that would provide assistance with downtown revitalization. The Committee directed Dave to provide more detailed information at the next meeting.

Funding Guide Options: Dave provided information on research into a Funding Guide that could be posted to the Economic Development webpage. The Committee discussed several options, and directed Dave to continue compiling a list of potential funding sources for posting.

Other/New Business

None

Next Meeting

The next joint meeting of the SAHED-CDO Committees will be held on May 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Burk's Falls Offices.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Hall, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.