

TOWN OF INGERSOLL
ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Report No. A-56/09
Approval Date: April 14, 2009

Mayor Holbrough and Members of Council:

1.0 Activities and Information

1.1 Strategic Plan

The sub committees Chairs met on March 20, 2009 to finalize the draft of their section of the Strategic Plan. Public meeting is scheduled for April 20th at 7:00 p.m.

1.2 Health Professional Recruitment

Met with the committee for the attraction of health professionals. A presentation went to the Hospital Board regarding renovating the second floor. Next meeting is May 7th.

1.3 Thames Valley School Board

Met with school board staff and discussed a number of issues which included – Alternative Education, Crossing Guards, status of the ARC process and facilitating the partnership with Conestoga for “dual” credits.

1.4 Sifton Properties

Staff are working with Sifton to resolve a land issue with regards to the Storm Water Management pond site.

1.5 Community College

Conestoga College will be commencing with the two full-time certificate programs at the Fusion Centre. The courses are - Business Applications and Bookkeeping and Microcomputer Applications Business Software certificates. Both programs will start April 20, 2009 and are being delivered between the hours of 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. daily.

Conestoga will be launching a combined Design and Communications Fundamentals along with Media Communication Fundamentals one year certificates as well as a Radio/Broadcasting. Conestoga is scheduling the courses for the upcoming academic year of September 2009 to June of 2010. There are also possibilities to undertake a number of weeklong training sessions during the summer in Videography and TV Mobile – Conestoga is in the process of reviewing and determining how these would roll out.

1.6 Boundary Adjustment Committee

The Committee met and discussed a number of items.

1.7 Black History

Heritage Canada has tentatively approved the Black History travelling display to be in Ingersoll the first part of October.

1.8 Solar Energy – Erie Thames Corporation

Met with Chris White, Scott Gardner, and Bill Mates regarding Solar Energy for Town Buildings. We also discussed Led Street Lighting. There are currently 4 up along King St. West.

1.9 Municipal Affairs

Met with staff from Municipal Affairs and discussed a number of issues, such as, next steps with boundary adjustment, letter from the Minister concerning CAMI reassessment.

1.10 RED Grant

We are still waiting for a decision from the RED Committee.

1.11 Joint Venture CIB/Trails Committee - Dinner Under The Stars

The Subcommittee is meeting on a regular basis to host the first annual fund raising Dinner Under the Stars in Victoria Park in June.

1.12 Arts Ingersoll Committee

The Committee met and we are moving ahead on a number of initiatives, such as, seeking funds for marketing, Interesting Ingersoll and a video information board.

1.13 Economic Development Advisory Committee

Business leaders, Conestoga College, Thames Valley School Board, the Mayor and members of Council and staff will meet Wednesday, April 15th to discuss the structure of the Economic Development Advisory Committee. Some positive partnering arrangements have already resulted.

1.14 Subdivision Agreements

Additional information is being finalized which will be forwarded to the Town lawyer to take appropriate action.

2.0 **Other Activities**

- Administrative activities
- Labour Relations – Public Works

Respectfully submitted,

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