



Township of

North Dundas

COUNCIL REPORT

To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From:	Rob Hunter, CMM
Date of Meeting:	September 10, 2013
Subject:	Economic Development Report

1.0 Investment Attraction

1.1 Industrial Sector Investment Attraction

A) I continue to have further discussions with an agent who represents a company that is looking at the possibility of making an Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.

(FILE ID # I-0713-BB)

B) I continue to have discussions and meetings with the principles of this company in regards to their proposed Industrial investment in the Township. Progress is being made as we move forward and I will continue to provide them with all of the assistance that they require to make this investment a reality. **(FILE ID # I-1112-AA)**

C) I am still having discussions with a representative of this company in regards to a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.

(FILE ID # I-1212-AA)

1.2 Commercial Sector Investment Attraction

A) I continued to assist this company in regards to their commercial investment in the Township. I will keep Council apprised of the progress on this file as we move forward.
(FILE ID # C-0312-AA)

B) I continue to have discussions with the representative of this company that is looking at the possibility of establishing a commercial business in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. **(FILE ID # C-1112-AA)**

2.0 Business Expansions

2.1 Commercial Business Expansion

A) I continue assist this company as they continue to move forward with the expansion of this business. **(FILE ID # C-0513-AA)**

2.2 Industrial Business Expansion

A) I continue to have discussions with this company in regards to the proposed expansion of this business and also continue to work with the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation in regards to this proposed investment. I am will continue to assist the company as they move forward with their expansion plans. **(FILE ID # I-0712-AA)**

B) I continue to have discussions with representatives of this company in regards to a potential Industrial expansion. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.
(FILE ID # I-0713-CC)

3.0 Marketing and Communications

3.1 Website

Website updates are continuing to be made in-house. Time was spent in August updating the Fall and Winter recreation programming information including information in regards to the Fall and Winter programming at both Township Arenas.

3.2 Networking, Events and Meetings

A) I participated in the Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC) Committee meeting that was held on August 14th. During the meeting we finalized the last remaining logistical items. OEMC takes place at the Ambassador Hotel in Kingston from Wednesday September 11th to Friday September 13th.

B) I attended the August SD & G EDO working group meeting and going away lunch for Anne Leduc that was held in Cornwall on August 21st. Anne has left her EDO position at South Glengarry to become the Director of Economic Development for the Town of Hawkesbury.

C) I had a meeting with Brad Pinch who is our representative with the National Research Council (NRC). We talked about the available NRC's programs and how they might be available to assist businesses in North Dundas.

3.3 Community Improvement Plan Application for Approval

We received an application to the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) during the month of August. The CIP Review Committee reviewed the request and has unanimously endorsed the application for funding.

The Review Committee is recommending that Council approve a CIP Façade grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 and CIP Sign grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 for 506 Main Street in Winchester. Funds will be used to update the façade of the building and also new signage.

A summary of the Community Improvement Plan financial commitments to date is attached to this report.

4.0 Land / Building Inventory

I continued to work with the SD & G County Economic Development Office as we work towards creating an online Land and Building inventory. The inventory will be hosted on the County website with a link to and from the Township website.

5.0 Other Economic Development Initiatives


5.1 New Township Gateway Signs

I worked with Shane Signs for the production and installation of two new Township Gateway Signs, one on County Rd #16 and one on County Rd #7. Both signs were installed during the third week of August.

Submitted by: _____


Rob Hunter

Approved by: _____


Angela Rutley, CAO

2013 Community Improvement Plan Grants

Winchester

457 Main Street (Michael Oladejo) Facade Grant	\$ 621.25
457 Main Street (Michael Oladejo) Sign Grant	\$1,000.00
532 Main Street West (Winchester Travel) Facade Grant	\$3,640.00
503 Main Street (Town Vintner) Facade Grant	\$1,792.99

Chesterville

18 Industrial Drive (Cotnam Flooring) Sign Grant	\$1,000.00
33 King Street (Cotnam TruValue) Facade Grant	\$1,685.00
33 King Street (Cotnam TruValue) Sign Grant	\$ 250.00
35 Main Street (Laura David) Facade Grant	\$2,320.00
35 Main Street (Laura David) Sign Grant	\$ 900.00
38 King Street (Scott Erratt) Facade Grant	\$1,067.00

Total Committed Grant Funds as of August 16, 2013 **\$14,276.24**

Applications Currently Pending

506 Main Street Winchester (Milano's Facade)	\$4,000.00
506 Main Street Winchester (Milano's Sign)	\$1,000.00

Adjusted Balance including pending applications **\$19,276.24**

2013 Budgeted Amount **\$25,000.00**

Total 2013 Grant Funds Remaining **\$ 5,723.76**

2013 Community Improvement Plan Loans

Winchester

457 Main Street (Michael Oladejo) Loan	\$3,559.00
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Chesterville

33 King Street (Cotnam TruValue) Loan	\$4,075.00
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35 Main Street (Laura David) Loan	\$10,000.00
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29 Main Street (Laura David) Loan	\$10,000.00
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38 King Street (Scott Erratt) Loan	\$6,513.89
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<u>Total Committed Loan Funds as of August 16, 2013</u>	<u>\$34,147.89</u>
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