



Township of

North Dundas

COUNCIL REPORT

To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From:	Rob Hunter, CMM
Date of Meeting:	July 8, 2014
Subject:	Economic Development Report – June 2014

1.0 Investment Attraction

1.1 Industrial Sector Investment Attraction

A) I have had discussions with the principals of this company in regards to a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to assist them as we move forward.

(FILE ID # I-0614-BB)

B) I continue to have discussions with representatives of this company regarding a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.

(FILE ID # I-0514-AA)

C) I continue to have discussions with the representatives from a company that is considering making an Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-1013-AA)

1.2 Retail Sector Investment Attraction

A) I have had discussions with a party who is considering making a Retail investment in the Township. I will continue to assist them as we move forward. **(FILE ID # R-0614-AA)**

2.0 Business Expansions

2.1 Industrial Business Expansion

A) I have had discussions with the principals of this company in regards to a possible Industrial expansion in the Township. I will continue to assist them as we move forward.
(FILE ID # I-0614-AA)

B) I continue to have discussions with the representatives from this company that is looking at making an Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. **(FILE ID # I-0114-AA)**

C) 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)**

2.2 Commercial Business Expansion

A) I have had discussions with the principals of this company in regards to their proposed Commercial expansion in the Township. I will continue to assist them as we move forward.
(FILE ID # C-0614-AA)

B) I continue to have discussions with the owner of this company in regards to a potential Commercial expansion of their business in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. **(FILE ID # C-1113-BB)**

3.0 Marketing and Communications

3.1 Networking, Events and Meetings

A) I attended the official opening of Shawarma Village held on June 25th.

B) I attended the SD & G social media workshop that was held in Finch on June 16th.

C) I participated in the June meeting of the Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC) planning committee to finalize the 2014 conference program so it can be printed. Please note that registration for the 2014 OEMC is now open.

D) I attended the OMAFRA BR & E workshop that was held in Napanee on June 11th and June 12th.

E) I attended the Open House that was held at Winchelsea on June 19th to celebrate the expansion of their business.

F) I attended a Regional Economic Development meeting that was held in Maitland on June 5th.

3.2 Fall Recreation Guide

I provided Meaghan with some economic development information for inclusion in the Fall Recreation Guide.

3.3 Website and Social Media

Website updates are continuing to be made in-house and we also continue to make use of our Facebook page and Twitter account as a communications vehicle to get the word out regarding events that are happening in the Township and public notices.

4.0 Other Economic Development Dept Initiatives

4.1 Community Improvement Plan Application for Approval

We received an application to the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) during the last week of June. The CIP Review Committee reviewed the request and is endorsing the application for funding.

The Review Committee is recommending that Council approve a CIP Sign Grant in the amount of \$1,000 and a CIP Commercial Loan in the amount of \$10,000 for 498 Main Street (former the Village Bin) for a new sign and electrical and HVAC upgrades to the building.

4.2 Eastern Ontario Development Program

I continued to have meetings and discussions with local businesses regarding the Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP) that is funded by the Federal Development Agency for Southern Ontario (Fed Dev) and administered locally by the SD & G CFDC.

The CFDC is targeting the third week of July for submissions to the program for the current round of funding.

4.3 FIR

I provided the Finance Department with the required financial information for the Community Improvement Plan program for both 2013 and 2014, so it can be included in the FIR document.

4.4 Emergency Planning Meeting

I attended the 2014 Emergency Planning meeting that was held in Finch.

Submitted by: _____


Rob Hunter

Approved by: _____


Angela Rutley, CAO