



4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest – None for this session

5. Chair's Comments

Chair Rooyakkers thanked everyone for their time. Round table introductions took place.

6. Election of Vice-Chair

Motion No. 2023-06

Moved by Lauren Rooyakkers

Seconded by John O'Rourke

THAT Stephany St. Louis be appointed Vice-Chair of the Economic Development Committee for the 2022 to 2026 term.

CARRIED

7. Updates/New Business

7.1 2023 Tradeshow

a) Presentation by Karen Jones Consulting

Emma Jones gave a brief presentation to the Committee. There is a new website at eastferristradeshow.ca where vendors can register and get information on the tradeshow. Committee members provided Ms. Jones with some feedback such as a spot for sponsors to sign up on the website and an area for live demos. Mr. Demers requested a breakdown of expenses for last year's event.

The Committee discussed the goal of the tradeshow. Chair Rooyakkers will discuss with Council.

b) Young entrepreneurs/youth section & care economy/childcare discussions

The Committee discussed booth space for young entrepreneurs. This item was left with Ms. Jones to brainstorm ideas.



c) Near North Palliative Care Network – free booth

Council has offered a booth to the Near North Palliative Care Network free of charge following a presentation made to Council.

d) Business Spotlights

Not discussed at this meeting

e) Other ideas

Other tradeshow ideas the Committee had included the Committee having a booth at the tradeshow. Chair Rooyakkers suggested members attend with name tags and introduce themselves to vendors. Surveying attendees was also discussed.

7.2 EDCO Discussion (Chair Rooyakkers)

Due to time constraints this item was deferred to the next meeting.

7.3 Animal Control By-law (Greg)

Mr. Kirton advised that an amendment to this By-law was previously before Council, but did not pass. There were discussions on the number fowl permitted. This Committee has been tasked with reviewing the amendments and resident comments and making a recommendation to Council.

7.4 Event at St. Thomas D’Aquin (Stephany St. Louis)

Ms. St. Louis invited Committee members to an event at St. Thomas D’Aquin tomorrow evening regarding the current capacity issues at the school.

7.5 Digital Divide (Dean Demers)

Due to time constraints this item was deferred to the next meeting.

8. Ongoing/Unresolved/Inactive Items

None for this session



9. General Follow Up/Roundtable Discussion

None for this session

10. Adjournment

Motion No. 2023-07

Moved by Lauren Rooyakkers

Seconded by Stephany St. Louis

THAT the Economic Development Committee meeting adjourn at 6:34 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK