

**Neebing Economic Development Advisory Committee
Minutes
Monday, June 13th, 2016
5:15pm Neebing Municipal Office**

1. Present: D Kilgour, P Cain, B Wright, E Butikofer W. Robinson
Absent:C. Bruce

2. Approval of the Agenda as amended
Moved by W.Robinson Seconded by E. Butikofer Carried

3. Declaration of conflict of interest: none

4. Minutes of Monday May16th/2016 meeting read and accepted as amended
Moved by P. Cain Seconded by B. Wright. Carried

5. Business arising:
 - a. Nature Conservancy. E. Butikofer contacted G. Davies of the Nature Conservancy discussed process of purchase and designation of conservation lands. Designation occurs after purchase that is anticipated to be in Sept. MPAC is currently reviewing properties that may effect assessments. P.Cain provided a copy of a conservation report related to property in Pearson Township MNR 2000. It is of interest to see if other areas have similar reports. http://files.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/parks-and-protected-areas/mnr00_bcr0129.pdf
 - b. Website updates. The NEDC minutes are being uploaded.
 - c. HOCP. A report from C. Butikofer was distributed to the committee related to the June 10th meeting in International Falls, Mn.
 - d. Tourist Centre. In light of a cabinet shuffle with the Ontario government contacts need to be reviewed and correspondence resent.

6. Draft Strategic Plan
W. Robinson presented document for discussion. The committee accepted the draft as presented and passed the following motion:

The Neebing Economic Development Committee will present the Strategic Plan to Neebing Municipal Council with the intent to seek a motion to proceed at the August 24th meeting.

Moved by P. Cain Seconded by W. Robinson Carried

7. Other

P. Cain provided information on tourism initiative by City of Thunder Bay encouraging local ambassadors with mention of regions hiking trails. This relates to opportunities in Needing for promotion. <https://www.vayable.com/>
Discussion included Mink Mountain trails and status.

8. Next meeting August 15th ,2016 at 5:15
9. Adjournment: motion to adjourn at 6:37 pm by E. Butikofer