

Knox Building Review Committee
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Friday January 8, 2010
3:00 pm
Springwater Administration Centre, Boardroom

Attendees: Councillor Dan Clement, Winanne Grant, Ron Belcourt and Kayla Thibeault
Regrets: Mayor Tony Guergis

Guest: Debra Muenz North Simcoe Community Futures Development Corporation, Bart Claasse North Simcoe Community Futures Development Corporation

1. North Simcoe Community Futures Development Corporation

Debra Muenz introduced Bart Claasse, Business Development Analyst, to the Committee. Bart will be the staff stationed in the Knox Building for the lease term as previously established. Bart's purpose is to enhance the profile of the North Simcoe Community Futures Development Corporation and the profile of the Township of Springwater. Through his work in Elmvale, he will be conducting a business plan for the future use of the Knox Building.

The Committee reviewed the various options available for the Knox Building including sell/surplus, retain as a rental property, retain as rental with a portion of the being subsidized by the municipality or retain as rental with all rent being subsidized by the municipality. The business plan is to consider all of these options.

As discussed previously, there are various legal implications in dividing the property into three units (parking lot, Knox Building and Community Hall).

The Committee reviewed all of the parties who have expressed an interest in a future use of the building.

The Committee will forward any current use agreements to Bart for his consideration in the business plan. As well, the Committee will provide the estimated operation costs of the facility and an estimation of property taxes.

Committee reviewed the possible future use of the facility in regards to supporting the Elmvale District High School. It was possible that in the future the facility could be used as a satellite classroom and supports a specific employment field (such as the health field).

2. Letter from Elmvale Odd Fellow Lodge

Committee received the letter from the Elmvale Odd Fellow Lodge for consideration of the Knox Building. The letter is to be forwarded to Bart for consideration within the Knox Building business plan as well as to Council.

3. Next Meeting

To be determined.

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