



**SPECIAL TRI-COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 30, 2022**

Present	Township of Augusta: Mayor Doug Malanka, Deputy Mayor Jeff Shaver, Councillors Tanya Henry, and Michele Bowman Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal: Mayor Pat Sayeau, Deputy Mayor Tory Deschamps, Councillors Hugh Cameron, Stephen Dillabough, and John Hunter Town of Prescott: Mayor Brett Todd, Councillors Leanne Burton, Teresa Jansman, Lee McConnell, Mike Ostrander, and Gauri Shankar.
Regrets	Councillor Schapelhouman and Councillor Ray Young
Staff	Township of Augusta: Steve MacDonald, CAO, Annette Simonian, Clerk Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal: Dave Grant, CAO, Rebecca Williams, Clerk (attended virtually) Town of Prescott: Matthew Armstrong, CAO/Treasurer, Lindsey Veltkamp, Clerk, Dana Valentyne, Economic Development Officer, Kaitlin Mallory, Deputy Clerk

1. Welcome and Introductions

Mayor Todd welcomed everyone to the Tri-Council meeting.

2. Call to Order

Mayor Todd called the meeting to order 6:07 p.m.



3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Deschamps, Ostrander

That the agenda for the Special Tri-Council meeting of the Township of Augusta, Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, and Town of Prescott be approved as presented.

Carried

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest expressed.

5. Opening Statement from Mayor Malanka, Mayor Sayeau, and Mayor Todd

Mayor Sayeau expressed his pleasure in being invited to the meeting, future discussions with his Council following the meeting, and potential opportunities. Members of Council from the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal provided opening statements.

Mayor Malanka spoke to hopes for future goals, the benefits of the Tri-Council partnership, and the needed inclusion of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, and successful partnerships. Members of Council from the Township of Augusta provided opening statements.

Mayor Todd spoke to potential opportunities and the hard work around the table. Members of Council from the Town of Prescott provided opening statements.

6. Focused Discussion

6.1 Statement of Intent

Matthew Armstrong, CAO of the Town of Prescott, spoke to a PowerPoint Presentation. A copy of the presentation is held on file. He provided an overview of the seven items listed on the Joint Press Release submitted by the Mayors of the three municipalities. He referenced the Joint Initiatives Task Force, the membership of the task force, and areas of focus the task force may wish to consider out of the seven items.



Mayor Sayeau spoke to his interest in the Joint Initiatives Task Force, the collaboration between the Township of Augusta and Town of Prescott, and seeing where the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal fits in.

Mayor Malanka spoke to the work of the Joint Initiative Task Force, its current configuration, and hearing from other members of Council regarding the core areas.

Discussion was held regarding Doctor recruitment, collaboration with Economic Development departments, and creating a package to advocate for Doctors to move to the area.

Further discussion was held regarding tasks previously accomplished, successful programs in the County of Hastings and City of Belleville for physician recruitment, additional areas for collaboration, and aligning municipal Official Plans, Zoning By-laws, and opportunities for succession planning.

6.2 Steps Taken to Date

Matthew Armstrong, CAO of the Town of Prescott, spoke to a PowerPoint Presentation. A copy of the presentation is held on file. He referenced the current collaborations to date, opportunities for the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, and stated that staff would provide Edwardsburgh Cardinal with the recently created Recreation and Tourism Asset Inventory and the plan for the Developer Package for Lands west and north of Prescott.

Mr. Armstrong outlined areas where shared services are currently being utilized such as a shared By-Law Enforcement Officer, shared equipment, and shared contracts.

Discussion was held regarding the potential opportunities, current budget timelines, communication between municipalities, and the involvement of the public with the Recreation Committee.

Motion: Deschamps, Dillabough
That the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal adopt the
collaborative Vision and Mission Statement.

Carried

8. Roundtable

There was no discussion held under the Round Table portion of the agenda.

9. Closing Statement from Mayors

Motion: Cameron, Henry

That the Municipal Drug Strategy be re-established in the South Grenville Area; and

That each municipal Council bring this motion forward for final discussion and consideration.

Carried

Discussion was held regarding possible meeting dates in June for the next Tri-Council meeting.

10. Adjournment

Motion: Burton, Shaver

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk