



**City of Kingston
Information Report to Council
Report Number 15-023**

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Lanie Hurdle, Commissioner, Community Services
Resource Staff: Same
Date of Meeting: December 16, 2014
Subject: Rural Advisory Committee

Executive Summary:

In 2010, Council passed a motion directing staff to report back in the Fall of 2013 with information on the number of meetings and topics discussed at the Rural Advisory Committee. This information was not reported as staff wanted to wait until the Committee completed its four (4) year mandate to provide more comprehensive data.

This report is to inform Council that information on the Rural Advisory Committee as requested will be provided to Council within the context of the committee review that is currently underway and which will be reported in the first quarter of 2015.

Recommendation:

This report is for information purpose only.

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Authorizing Signatures:

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY COMMISSIONER

Lanie Hurdle, Commissioner, Community Services

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Gerard Hunt, Chief Administrative Officer

Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:

Cynthia Beach, Corporate & Strategic Initiatives	Not required
Denis Leger, Transportation, Facilities & Emergency Services	Not required
Jim Keech, President and CEO, Utilities Kingston	Not required
Desiree Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer	Not required

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Options/Discussion:

On October 5, 2010, Council passed the following motion:

That the Rural Advisory Committee be established in accordance with the mandate proposed in Report No. 11-138 and Exhibit A;

And further

That a by-law be presented to amend By-Law No. 2010-205, being "a By-Law to Define the Mandate and Meeting Procedures for Committee Established by the Corporation of the City of Kingston", as amended;

And further

That following Council approval of the by-law, staff be directed to place the necessary advertisement(s) to seek members for appointment to the Committee;

And further

That staff prepare a report to Council in the fall of 2013 outlining how many meetings had been held, the issues and recommendations that the committee had brought forward to Council, as well as how much staff time (number of staff hours) was spent on the committee.

This information was not provided to in 2013 as staff wanted to gather data until the end of the Committee's mandate to provide Council with a more comprehensive review. In the last quarter of 2014, Council directed staff to complete a review of all committees in the first quarter of 2015. Information requested on the Rural Advisory Committee will be included in the overall committee review.

Existing Policy/By-Law:

Not Applicable

Notice Provisions:

Not applicable

Accessibility Considerations:

Not applicable

Financial Considerations:

Not Applicable

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Other City of Kingston Staff Consulted:

Not Applicable

Exhibits Attached:

Not Applicable