

MINUTES

Infrastructure, Environment & Climate Resilience Committee (IECR)

Wednesday February 11, 2026, 2:00 PM

Niagara Community Centre – Board Room

In Attendance:

Stuart McCormack – (NOTL RA, President/Chair)

Ron Simkus – (NOTL RA, Administrator)

* Steve Hardaker, Liaison

* Frances Stocker, Chair

* Phil Bergen, Secretary

* Richard Connelly

* Dr. Rod Tennyson

* Kip Voege

Announcement: Keith Kennedy has submitted his resignation from the committee because he will be away for the next six months.

1. Agree agenda
2. Notes from previous meeting were agreed.
3. Board Information: Ron Simkus

Ron informed us that there were a few issues and questions that have come up.

- With the attendance less than expected committees need to focus more on continuity and balance. Committees need to bring the scope down to yet be nimble enough to respond to issues as they arise.
- Case in point St David's Rate Payers Association have forwarded 14 issues they feel that need to be addressed.
- Also need to communicate to the public the big picture yet

4. Committee Focus and Mandate

- Members discussed various issues and areas of concern which included: Tourism (types of tourists, goals, managing and prioritizing issues, future), aging infrastructure (water and wastewater, roads), incomplete transportation masterplan, shuttle plan, irrigation, agricultural, update municipal standards.
- Chair Frances Stocker made a motion for the IECR Committee to focus on two areas,
 - o Primary focus: Transportation Plan
 - o Secondary focus: Infrastructure

Seconded by Phil Bergen and agreed by all.

5. Any other agreed business

- From the motion to concentrate on Transportation and Infrastructure the following issues were raised.
 - o information requests from the Town staff, to go through one person (Board to decide who)
 - o the Town's Request for Information portal could also be used.
<https://www.notl.com/request-service-or-file-issue>
 - o Members encouraged to search for other reports/information on the Town's website.
 - o Other municipalities may also be a source of information, i.e.
Town of Lincoln – Transportation Masterplan <https://www.lincoln.ca/council-administration/community-plans/transportation-master-plan>
City of Ottawa – Traffic Calming Program <https://ottawa.ca/en/parking-roads-and-travel/traffic-services/traffic-calming/neighbourhood-traffic-calming-program/overview>

6. Next Meeting – three possible dates have been pencilled in

- Tuesday February 24th
- Tuesday March 3

- Wednesday March 11

The date depends on our ability to obtain the revised draft of the Transportation Plan. Frances will keep members informed re final date.

The Community Centre Board Room has been booked for each date for 2:00 pm,

7. Meeting was adjourned

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