



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING BRIEF MARCH 5, 2018

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Upcoming Meeting

Date:

Tuesday, April 3rd
@ 9:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker:

There are no guest speakers scheduled at this time.

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REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Search "Rideau Lakes" at www.eventbrite.ca

or go directly to

www.eventbrite.ca/e/township-of-rideau-lakes-business-recognition-breakfast-tickets-43451971015

Contact Alison at amerkley@twprideaulakes.on.ca if you have trouble registering.

LIBRARY TOURISM AMBASSADOR PROJECT

Starting this summer, residents and visitors alike can go to any of our five library branches for information about upcoming community events and area attractions. We look forward to having tourism ambassadors integrated in our libraries to better serve our communities in a cost effective manner.

Information about our libraries can be found here: www.rideaulakeslibrary.ca.

CHAFFEYS LOCK PLAN

Volunteers have created a plan to revitalize Chaffeys Lock through new signs and trail improvements, among other key updates. The Committee applauds the efforts made by this group and supports their community vision.

PORTLAND STREETSCAPE

The Township plans to undertake an infrastructure and streetscape design study in 2018. This work will build on the ongoing community development and vision work. The goal is to be shovel ready for potential federal grants in 2019.

BIKE RACKS

The Committee is reviewing the opportunity to install bike racks at key municipal properties, such as libraries and community halls in 2018 and 2019 to encourage active living and cycle visits to our communities.

COMMUNITY MAPS

Complementary community maps will be back by popular demand this spring. We will be expanding our maps to showcase more villages and the tourism services they offer.

WEBSITE

Economic Development will soon be featured on our municipal website, www.twprideaulakes.on.ca. Pages will include a list of available commercial properties, business resources and directory, information about the Committee and past meeting briefs. There will also be a page dedicated towards our Community Profile and other important information about the Township of Rideau Lakes.

Attention Students: SUMMER COMPANY FUNDING AVAILABLE

Have the opportunity to start and operate your own summer business with start-up funds and business training to help make your business dreams a reality.

Deadline to apply is May 19th.

Visit www.smallbizcentre.ca or www.ontario.ca/summercompany for information.