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Fort Erie Economic Development & Tourism Corporation coordinates meeting between Town and Chinese transportation delegation.

September 4, 2012 – Fort Erie, ON - A delegation of 24 representatives from the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of China was welcomed to Fort Erie by the Chairman and General Manager of the Fort Erie EDTC on Tuesday, September 4th.



“We are happy to welcome this Chinese delegation to Fort Erie. As a community which leverages its strategic location and transportation infrastructure, we hope to be able to provide some insightful localized feedback and share some best practices”, said Jim Thibert, GM of the Fort Erie EDTC. “We are a small community in comparison to many of those in China, but our issues and concerns with respect to quality, sustainable local transportation infrastructure are just as critical” Thibert noted.

Interested in learning about Canadian transportation infrastructure, planning, development and finance, at all levels of Government, the delegation, through the Economic Development & Tourism Corporation, visited Fort Erie to discuss Municipal and Regional transportation systems and management nuances.

Focused primarily on matters related to localized transportation infrastructure funding and management, the delegation met with staff and Board members from the Fort Erie EDTC, senior Town infrastructure and planning staff, members of Council and the Mayor at Town Hall.

The delegation, led by Mr. Wang Guangmin (Deputy Director, Comprehensive Planning Division, Ministry of Transport), was comprised of senior level highway and transportation administrators from 18 provinces across China.

After leaving Fort Erie, the delegation traveled to Ottawa for meetings with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and Transport Canada.



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