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Monthly Council Meeting Highlights March 2023

Regular Council Meeting- March 7, 2023

2022 Annual Drinking Water System and Compliance Summary Reports

Council accepted the 2022 Annual Water Reports as submitted by Veolia Water for the Benmiller, Century Heights, Dungannon, Huron Sands, Lakeshore, and Lucknow Drinking Water Systems. These reports are available on the website at: <https://acwtownship.ca/municipal-services/public-works>.

Parks & Recreation Strategic Plan – Update

Staff provided an update on the Parks & Recreation Strategic Plan process. Consultants are finalizing the implementation plan which will be shared with Township staff for review and circulation before it is included in the final plan. The final plan will be presented by thinc design consultants to Council at the second meeting in April. At this time Council will be able to provide feedback to the consultants. Follow along with this project at: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/projects-initiatives/parks-and-recreation-strategic-plan>.

Veolia Water Canada - Contract Renewal

Veolia Water Canada Inc. provides for the operation of ACW's municipal water systems, including maintenance, repair, administration, customer service, and permitting functions. They have provided this service to ACW since April 2004. Council supported a one-year extension with Veolia Water Canada Inc and directed staff to bring back the extension agreement to the next Council meeting for authorization by by-law.

Council Meeting | Planning- March 14, 2023

Consent File C10-2023 Rutling Holdings Ltd. (Rutledge)

Council recommended to the County of Huron that the Consent Application C10-2023 Rutling Holdings Ltd. (Rutledge) be approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the Planner's Report.

Consent File C12-2023 Frayne (Frayne Farms Inc.)

Council recommended to the County of Huron that the Consent Application C12-2023 Frayne (Frayne Farms Inc.) be approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the Planner's Report.

Public Meeting- Committee of Adjustment

This Public Meeting was held as a requirement under the Planning Act to consider Minor Variances to Zoning By-Law 32-2008 for planning files MV01-23 Kerr and MV02-23 Harman. Council approved the planning applications subject to the conditions noted in the Planner's Report.

Council Meeting- March 20, 2023

2023 Proposed Budget

Council approved the 2023 Township Budget as presented. The Township levy for 2023 will be \$5,985,579 for Township purposes only. This reflects a 7.17% increase to the 2022 tax rate, which converts to an 10% increase to the 2022 Township levy. The 2023 Township Budget is posted on our website at: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/treasury>.

Fee By-Law Update

Council approved an amended Fee By-Law which reflects the changes to Section O - Water and Sewer Rates. See By-law 26-2023 here: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/by-laws/treasury/26-2023-consolidated-fee-by-law>.

Sewage System Maintenance and Inspection Program - First Steps

Council supported the continued development of a sewage system maintenance and inspection program as described in the report. Follow along with the development of the sewage system maintenance and inspection program on the project page:

<https://acwtownship.ca/government/projects-initiatives/septic-maintenance-and-inspection-program>.

Strategic Plan - Request for Proposal

Council directed staff to prepare and distribute a request for proposal for consulting services to develop and prepare a 5-year Strategic Plan for the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh.

Summer Student Hires

We are pleased to announce that we have successfully hired for our 2023 Summer Student Positions and welcome the following individuals to the ACW team for the summer. Samantha Millian & Mackenzie Wightman will join our Office Administration team and Rachel Boak & Calla Durnin will join our Public Works Department.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Regular Council Meeting- April 4th at 9:00 a.m.
- Regular Council Meeting- April 25th at 9:00 a.m.
- Regular Council Meeting- May 2nd at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting | Planning- May 9th at 9:00 a.m.
- Regular Council Meeting- May 16th at 9:00 a.m.