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Monthly Council Meeting Highlights November 2023

Council Meeting – November 7, 2023

2024 Tree Program

Council requested staff proceed with the yearly tree order as per the Township's policy, ordering 500 trees for 2024. More information on the 2024 Tree Program will be included in the 2024 Winter/Spring Newsletter.

2024-2026 Risk Management Official Servicing Agreement

Council adopted the authorizing by-law for the new Risk Management Official Servicing Agreement for municipalities required to implement Part IV policies of the Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley Source Protection Plans under the Clean Water Act, 2006.

Council Remuneration By-Law

Council agreed to a 0% increase for Council Remuneration for 2024.

Goderich Fire Committee - Fire Chief Vehicle

Council approved a request from the Goderich Fire Committee to purchase a dedicated Fire Chief vehicle in the amount of \$85,000. The purchase is to take place in 2023, with the funds to be taken from the Town of Goderich Reserve Funds.

Sommer Brothers - Isobel St. Passive Project

Jeremiah Sommers of Sommer Brothers construction presented to Council on the Isobel St. Passive Project. Following the presentation, Council allowed deferral of the Water Connection Fee and the Development Charges fee for the Isabel Street Passive Project until occupancy or one year, whichever comes first.

Council Meeting | Planning- November 14, 2023

Minor Variance Application File MV12-23 Amiry/Akhi (Shahram)

Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Committee of Adjustment approved Minor Variance Application MV12-23 Amiry/Akhi (Shahram) subject to the conditions in the report.

Zoning By-law Amendment Application File Z02-23 Curran

Council adopted By-Law 77-2023 being a by-law to amend the Zoning By-law 32-2008 for the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh to reflect the approved zoning by-law amendment for planning file Z02-23 Curran.

Council Meeting – November 21, 2023

Bag Tag Increase

Council agreed to increase the cost of bag-tags from \$2.00 to \$2.50 effective immediately.

Community Grants Policy

Council adopted By-law 79-2023 being a by-law to amend By-law 65-2016, being a by-law to adopt a community grants policy for the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. For more information visit: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/council>.

The Deputy Clerk / Communications Co-ordinator will host a public information session for Community Groups to attend on Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. contact communications@acwtownship.ca for more information.

Council Meeting Schedule 2024

Council confirmed the schedule of dates for 2024. The 2024 council meeting schedule is available online at: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/council>.

Maitland Valley Conservation Costal Resilience Project - Shoreline Hazard mapping Update

Patrick Huber-Kidby of the MVCA presented to Council an update on the Shoreline Hazard Mapping activity that was completed as part of the Maitland Valley Conservation Costal Resilience Project. For more information visit: <https://mvca.on.ca/lake-huron-shoreline/>

North Huron Fire Agreement Extension

Council agreed to extend the Fire Agreement with North Huron for one (1) year.

Procedure By-law Update

Council adopted By-law 53-2023 being a by-law to govern the proceedings and the conduct of the meetings of the Council and Committees of the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. By-law 53-2023 is available on our website: <https://acwtownship.ca/government/by-laws/52-2023-procedure-by-law>.

Short Term Rentals

Council approved the following motion:

That Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council direct Staff to develop a consultation process in order to identify issues which could be addressed by a Short-Term Rental regulatory program. The process should focus on discussions and consultations, based on research with other municipalities who have incorporated a STR licensing program. Consultations should be open to (but not limited to) STR operators, cottage associations, business owners, motel/hotel operators, neighbourhood groups, and emergency services.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Regular Council Meeting- December 5th at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting | Planning- December 12th at 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting- December 21st at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting | Planning- January 9th at 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting- January 16th at 9:00 a.m.