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Monthly Council Meeting Highlights September 2024

Council Meeting | September 3, 2024

Short-Term Rental Committee

Council decided to proceed with establishing a Short-Term Rental Committee. This special (Ad-hoc) committee will play a key role in shaping a draft licensing by-law to regulate STRs in our community. A call for applications for citizen members has been advertised. If you're interested in contributing to local governance and policy-making, we encourage you to apply. Learn more at <https://acwtownship.ca/government/projects-initiatives/short-term-rentals>

Goderich Regional Airport Taskforce

Taylor Lambert and John Marshall made a presentation to Council about entering into discussions regarding the request of the Goderich Regional Airport Taskforce. Council requested that a fulsome discussion and report be brought forward to a future meeting of Council for further discussion.

Senior Active Living Centre in Dungannon

Stephanie Hartwick, Executive Director for the MacKay Centre for Seniors, along with Kent Gillin, Chair of the Board of Directors requested financial support for their Senior Active Living Centre Grant submission. This application would be to operate a pilot program at the Dungannon Seniors' Centre as an extension of the Mackay Centre in Goderich. This would allocate \$10,000 in the 2025 budget, which represents 20% of the cost of the project. Should the grant application be successful, Council has agreed to support this program for a one-year commitment.

Appointment of North Huron Fire Chief

Staff are pleased to advise that Chad Kregar has been appointed as Fire Chief for the Township of North Huron. As North Huron provides Fire Services to a portion of ACW, Council appointed the Fire Chief in By-Law 54-2024.

Council Meeting | Planning – September 10, 2024

Minor Variance Application File MV-2024-08 Errington

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Committee of Adjustment denied the Minor Variance Application MV-2024-08 Errington on the basis that it does not meet the four tests of a minor variance and does not meet the intention of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law.

Consent File C43-2024 Johnson

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council recommend to the County of Huron that the Consent Application C43-2024 Johnson be denied since it does not meet the policies for a severance.

Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-Law Amendment ACW OBZ-2024-01 Simpson

Council adopted By-law 57-2024 to amend the Zoning By-law 32-2008 for the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. This By-law will rezone the property known as Part Lot 16, Concession Front NTP, Shamrock Beach Road from FD (Future Development) to AG1 (General Agricultural), and AG1 (General Agricultural) to FD (Future Development). The remainder of the property is not proposed to change.

Council Meeting | September 17, 2024

Noise and Sound By-Law Amendment - Fireworks

The Township's Noise and Sound By-Law (07-2021) regulates the discharging of Fireworks in the Township. A review of the by-law has determined that the current language surrounding the discharging of Fireworks is vague and does not give direction to residents regarding what is permissible. Council has requested staff prepare an amendment to the Noise and Sound By-Law to reflect specified times, as proposed, when the discharging of Fireworks is permitted.

Township purchase from West Wawanosh Mutual Insurance Company

Council agreed to offer the West Wawanosh Mutual Insurance Company \$40,000 for the lands that they have listed for sale in Dungannon, located at 43 Albert Street, Plan 227, Lot 30. The said parcel of land is adjacent to the Township owned parkland in Dungannon. West Wawanosh Mutual Insurance Company have agreed to accept the offer. Council has authorized the execution of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale by by-law.

Flag Policy

Council directed staff to prepare a policy that only the National Flag of Canada, the Province of Ontario Flag and the Township Flag be flown as per the National Flag Raising Protocol. The Flag Lowering Policy adopted by By-Law 53-2021 would still apply. A policy to confirm this direction will be presented for consideration at a future meeting of Council.

Westmount Line Reconstruction

Council accepted the low bid from Vandriel Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$784,648.76 including HST for the alignment of Westmount Line. \$692,000 was budgeted for this project with \$173,000 of that being funded by development charges. As there is \$69,000.00 allocated for contingency in the project budget it is anticipated that the total cost will be under the budgeted amount. The final stage of the project will be connecting the pavement from the south end of Westmount Line to the intersection at MTO Road.

Grader Tender Award

Council awarded the tender to supply a new 2025 CAT Grader to Toromont Industries Limited in the amount of \$596,678.42 including HST plus a provisional rear mounted Rubber Tire Packer in the amount of \$32,285.23 including HST, for a grand total of \$628,963.65 including HST. Grader unit number CM1 a 2006 Volvo was declared surplus and will be sold by on-line auction.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Regular Council Meeting – October 1st at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting | Planning – October 8th at 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting – October 15th at 9:00 a.m.
- Regular Council Meeting – November 5th at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting | Planning – November 12th at 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting – November 19th at 9:00 a.m.