

# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# **Whitewater Region Council Summary**

Here is a brief update from the Council meetings of March 16 and April 6, 2022.

Full agendas can be found here: <u>https://whitewaterregion.civicweb.net/Portal/</u>

*Video is available on our YouTube page. Next meeting is April 20, 2022.* 

This summary does not constitute the official record of the meeting and approved Minutes should be consulted for that purpose.

# **Presentations and Public Meetings**

- Zoning amendments were approved for properties on Coulonge Lake Trail and Lookout Road both in proximity to an Extractive Industrial Reserve Zone (aggregate).
- The Flood Risk Assessment Study for an area south-west of the Westmeath Provincial Park along the Ottawa River was presented.
- A public meeting was held to consider minor changes to Council Remuneration for the next term. The by-law was adopted on April 6.
- A summary of the municipal drain inspection reports was presented by Lorne Franklin of Robinson Consultants.
- An overview of landfill operations was presented by the Environmental Services Superintendent.

## **Community Development**

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- A site plan was approved for Pinewood Park with the removal of the zoning holding symbol.
- A development agreement was entered into with Andrea Burde to implement a Phase 1 Karst Assessment for recently severed lots on Westmeath Road.
- The Tourist Booth will operate this year at Veterans' Memorial Park from June to August. Taste of the Valley will occur on October 15 at the Cobden Arena/Fairgrounds.
- Cloud Permit software was purchased for a three-year term with renewable two-year option.
- A reciprocal agreement was supported with Bonnechere Valley for building inspection cover off.

### Finance & Administration

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- Council received the 2021 Statement of Council Remuneration totaling \$171,154.32 inclusive of honorarium benefits, expenses, and donations.
- The 2022 Pembroke & Area Airport Commission budget requisition was approved by Council. The 2022 budget also included a contribution to Project Runway and payments for fuel tank replacement.

### **Fire Services**

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• The Fire Chief discussed recently announced provincial firefighter certification requirements. Requirements will be included in the department's training program.

### **Public Works**

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- The 2021 Annual Drinking Water Reports were received for the Cobden, Beachburg and Haley systems.
- Changes to the Operations Feasibility Study prepared by J-2G Consultants Inc. for the Ross Landfill were approved for submission to the Province.
- The tender to complete the remaining streetlight conversion to LED technology was awarded to Rondeau Electric at a cost of \$64,878.29 inclusive of non-refundable HST.
- An encroachment on Dombroskie Road was approved for a one-time fee of \$500.
- Participation in the Town of Renfrew's household hazardous waste depot was considered. The matter will be discussed further on May 4.

## Office of the CAO

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- Council supported a later opening of the municipal office for staff training on June 23 and November 24.
- The Clerk presented the Integrity Commissioner's 2021 update. No requests for advice or complaints were received.

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