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Report on Council

Mayor: George Cornell

Deputy Mayor: Steffen Walma

Councillors: Cindy Hastings, Tony Mintoff and Gibb Wishart

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tiny Connect — sign up at www.tinyconnect.ca

- Town Hall Meeting — May 25, 2019, 10 a.m. – 12 noon, Tiny Township Community Centre
- De-paving Perkinsfield Tennis Courts — June 1, 2019, volunteers needed
- Community BBQ — July 20, 2019, 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Perkinsfield Park
- Fire Department Family Fun Day — August 24, 2019, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Wyevale Fire Station
- Town Hall Meeting, September 19, 2019, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Wyebridge Community Centre

BATTLE OF GEORGIAN BAY:

In September, representing the Balm Beach Business Association, Doug Lorrinan asked for, and received approval in principle, of a re-enactment in August 2019 of an attack on Balm Beach. Supposedly a part of the War of 1812, this would be one of a series that includes assaults on Tay Township, Midland, and Penetanguishene. This proposal did NOT receive approval during budget deliberations, though discussion is ongoing.

BEAUSOLEIL FIRST NATION WHARF RECONSTRUCTION AT CEDAR POINT:

Also in September, Council learned that the Beausoleil First Nation's new ferry needs a different docking arrangement. As a result, there is to be expansion of the current wharf, construction of a second wharf, removal of the existing building, dredging, and one or two lesser items on the mainland along with some changes on Christian Island. The building is to be replaced by a temporary trailer. There will be no breakwater. Work on half of the project — expansion of the current dock, dredging, removal of the building, and installation of the trailer — was then scheduled to be completed by the end of May 2019.

SOUTH END DRAINAGE PROJECT:

The drainage project to prevent recurrent flooding on Tripp Lane and Tiny Beaches Road South was tendered in September and work on infrastructure (catch basins, underground piping) was put in place before winter struck. Removal of the old surface, followed by grading and repaving, is now under way. The goal: completion by the May long weekend. The stretch south of Tripp Lane to Wasaga will receive similar treatment later this year.

MANAGED IT SUPPORT THROUGH COMPUSOLVE:

Also in September, Council authorized staff to enter into an agreement with CompuSolve for Centralized Managed Services to "enhance the Township's current processes and provide greater protection of its networks in the areas which are vulnerable such as desktop computers, devices and users." This was a response to the recent hacking of municipal computers in Midland and Wasaga and to the continuing threat of malware and the like.

BLUEWATER COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP:

The executive of this group includes two members from each of Bluewater Dunes Ratepayers Association, Bluewater Dunes Protection Association, and Bluewater Georgina Wendake Beaches and Ratepayers Association. In October, Council recommended that the group "be supported with Council representation on an ad hoc basis where appropriate."

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING:

During the last Council's term of office, a committee reviewed the Township's buildings and viewed how neighbouring communities have dealt with inadequate administrative buildings. In October, Council recommended "that the Municipal Administration Building Needs Assessment Committee report back on the next steps required for a new construction solution to long term municipal administration building requirements."

MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS IN TINY:

On October 22,

Mayor George Cornell was acclaimed

Deputy Mayor Steffen Walma was acclaimed

Councillor Cindy Hastings was re-elected with 4,131 votes

Councillor Tony Mintoff was elected with 2,609 votes

Councillor Gibb Wishart was re-elected with 3,182 votes (Andrew Rankin, 1,858 votes)

OFFICIAL PLAN UPDATE PASSED:

After Jamie Robinson of MHBC Planning summarized the updating of the township's Official Plan, Council asked for changes regarding rehabilitation of gravel pits and the recycling of asphalt. These were added as follows:

B.10.4.4.1

d) Progressive rehabilitation shall be undertaken where aggregate extraction occurs in stages; and

B.10.4.6.1

b) Recycling of manufactured materials derived from mineral aggregate resources may not be appropriate for every licenced aggregate site. Proposals shall be subject to the policies of Section B.10.4;

Council passed the updated plan on November 26, 2018 and waived a two-year moratorium on all amendments as per Sections 22(2.1) and 22(2.2) of the Planning Act. This was to make changes to the OP possible should new information become available about aquifers and quarries.

PARKING PROGRAM CHANGES:

At a cost of \$10,730, No Parking signs are to be placed between 1620 and 1632 Tiny Beaches Road South where there is no space to pull off and improved signage is to be installed in areas that generated many parking tickets. Paid parking is to revert to permit parking on Trew Avenue and Concession 5.

In February, Council considered parking changes proposed by the Business Association of Balm Beach and decided "to maintain the status quo... with the exception of the time limit for paid parking." This is now to be 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

With regard to the 150 permits available to residents of neighbouring municipalities at a cost of \$100 each, non-residents are to be able to purchase only one permit instead of two (thus possibly freeing up eight permits since eight non-residents purchased two permits in 2018).

FOTTSa DEPUTATION REGARDING NITRATES:

Representing the Federation of Tiny Township Shoreline Associations, Judith Grant thanked the Township's Water Department for assisting with the Volunteer Recreational Water Sampling Program last summer.

Grant also raised concerns about nitrates in groundwater from potato farms, as happened in Lafontaine and Georgian Sands. In response to the deputation, the Severn

Sound Environmental Association (SSEA) updated Council on nitrate levels in the Lafontaine area and on its work there in helping farmers to reduce their use of nitrogen.

SSEA also asked the Township for information mentioned in the deputation that students had compiled about each farm. SSEA is constrained by formal guidelines from reaching out to potato farmers in the catchment areas of other township wells or those elsewhere in the township. However, SSEA indicated that area farmers are already conscious of proper management of nitrate fertilizers.

BRIDGE MAINTENANCE ON TINY'S RAIL TRAIL:

Council supported general maintenance of trail bridges (at a cost of \$85,200 excluding HST). Also, Bridge P2 (just east of County Road 6 on Concession Road 2) is to be rehabilitated at considerable cost — \$244,657 plus HST.

MORATORIUM ON EXPANSION OF AGGREGATE EXTRACTION IN THE WAVERLEY UPLANDS ADVOCATED:

With regard to Dr. William Shoty's December 5, 2018 letter to the Warden and Simcoe County Council asking for a moratorium on expansion of aggregate extraction in the Waverley Uplands until groundwater flows in the area were better understood, Councillor Wishart asked that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor as members of County Council support Shoty's request. Noting that the key "ask" in the letter was for Shoty to be allowed to make his case to County Council in May, Deputy Mayor Walma agreed to make the request and the Mayor agreed to support it. For Shoty's letter, see Communication Received, Section II of the Committee of the Whole Agenda for January 14, 2019. The County rejected the request.

CANNABIS:

In January, Township Clerk Sue Walton reported that the province is phasing in the implementation of cannabis legalization. At this time, municipalities like Tiny with a population of less than 50,000 are not eligible for a cannabis retail store.

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT SPEED RESTRICTIONS:

At the February 4 Budget Meeting, Andrew Chomentowski (a director of FoTTSa) made a personal deputation about his service on several Personal Watercraft Committees from 1999 to 2003. The eventual result was an application for a 10 km speed limit for returning small watercraft within 200 m from shore. The coastguard imposed a distance of 300 metres and, for enforcement purposes, a requirement that buoys be installed at the 300-metre limit. Chomentowski's deputation reminded staff (which had recommended eliminating the buoy project) of the work that had gone into getting the rule in place. He also advised that FoTTSa had conducted a survey in which 50% of respondents supported marker

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