



Council in Brief

October 22, 2024

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Presentations

- Mayor Hegadorn and Council welcomed Dr. Jenna Moodie and Dr. George Kitching.



- Dr. Robert Williams of Watson & Associates provided a presentation on Loyalist Township [Council Composition and Ward Boundary Review](#)

Statutory Public Meeting

Council denied the Official Plan Amendment (D09-002-2022) and Zoning By-law Amendment (D14-013-2022) application submitted by [Brookland Fine Homes Limited](#) for property addressed as 12-20 William Street in Odessa.

Council approved the [Loyalist Estates Mixed Use Development](#) Zoning By-law amendment. The proposed application applies land at the corner of Loyalist Boulevard and Church Street in Bath. The proposed Draft Plan of Common Elements Condominium is to create a common elements condominium which will include the private roads, visitor parking and open space. The commercial and residential blocks will share a common driveway from Loyalist boulevard and internal driveway within the property. The proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision consists of 13 townhouse blocks, comprised of (1) five-unit block, (5) three-unit blocks, (7) four-unit blocks, for a total of 48 residential townhouse

units, one commercial block, one block for reserves and one block for the common elements condominium.

Items for Consideration

Council approved the following items:

- Update on the Family Physician Recruitment Incentive Program Three physicians have signed Return of Service Agreements with the Township with all joining the Loyalist Family Health Team in Amherstview to replace three physicians who have retired. Council directed staff on the incentive program for 2025 and possible budget funding models.
- Township's 2023 Year-end Financial Statements were audited by KPMG LLP. It provides a summary of financial results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2023. Council approved the distribution of general rate operating surplus, building department surplus, and recovery of utilities rate operating deficit as recommended. In accordance with the Operating Surplus and Deficit Management Policy, distribution of general rate net surplus and recovery of utilities rate deficit be as follows:
\$201,816 to the general rate capital reserve fund;
\$3,844 to the building permit rate stabilization; and
\$694,340 from the utilities rate stabilization reserve.
- Council approved the removal of the part lot control provisions submitted by Kaitlin Corporation for the subdivision which fronts Gildersleeve Boulevard and Purdey Road in Phase 1 of the Aura by the Lake subdivision in the Village of Bath.

Committee of the Whole

- Refreshment Vehicle By-law Staff are reviewing the By-law and will bring forward to Council at the December 10 meeting.
- Hemson Consulting Ltd. provided an overview of the 2024 Water and Sewer Rate Study via a Powerpoint presentation. Hemson has been retained to prepare an updated financial plan for the Township's drinking water license renewal. This plan is predicated on the analysis related to the updated 2024 rate study outlining the water and sewer user rates over a 10-year period from 2025-2034. The results from the rate study indicate that a typical household water bill would see a 5% average annual increase for water and sewer rates to meet capital and operating requirements, while accounting for the reserve fund policy. The 2025 water and sewer user rates by-law and financial plans will be presented at the November 12th Council meeting.
- The existing Capital Project Prioritization Policy identifies five key areas including: Safety, health, and legislative; Lifecycle Maintenance; Ongoing Programs; Growth; and New Initiatives. To implement the Policy, staff developed a procedure utilizing a weighted matrix approach entitled "Benefit Score Calculation". Staff have identified areas for review where the policy can be improved upon including moving items from the procedure to the policy, splitting health and safety from legislation, alignment with the asset management plan (AMP), projecting out long term priorities and links to the strategic plan. Staff identified several areas Council may wish to

provide direction to staff for inclusion in the policy: service areas, project location, local economic improvement, environment and climate change initiatives.

Consent Agenda

- [2025 Budget - Public Engagement Update](#)
- [Minutes of the October 8, 2024 meeting of Council and Committee of the Whole](#)
- [Minutes of the September 24, 2024 W.J. Henderson Recreation Renewal Fundraising Committee](#)
- [Cemetery Price List By-law for the Corporation of Loyalist Township](#)
- [Minutes of the October 15, 2024 Community Grant Committee](#) and approved the following Community Grants:

Name of Applicant	Amount
Partners in Mission Foodbank	\$50,000
Amherst Island Recreation Association	\$2,565
Lennox and Addington Resources for Children	\$2,000
Amherstview Bath Scouts Group	\$5,239.75 and in-kind services of \$1,486.14
Loyalist Skating Club of Amherstview	\$2,597.87 and in-kind services of \$1,401.13

By-Laws

By-laws approved at this meeting can be located at the following link: [2024 By-laws](#)

Next Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings

November 12	6 p.m.	Regular Council
November 18	2-7 pm	Special COTW - 2025 Budget - Operations & Capital
November 21	2-7 pm	Special COTW - 2025 Budget - Operations & Capital
November 25	4-8 pm	Special COTW - 2025 Budget - Operations & Capital (If required)
November 26	6 p.m.	Regular Council

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