

## Town of Greater Napanee Council Highlights

Regular Meeting of Council for November 23, 2021

#### **Addition to the Canadian Tire Centre:**

Under the Planning Act, the Town hosted a public meeting for a Zoning By-law Amendment for the Canadian Tire Centre located at 476 Centre St North. The purpose of this meeting was to provide Council with information for the development of an expansion to Canadian Tire to allow for a new frost house, two additional auto bays and an increase to the existing retail and warehouse space. This public meeting is available for viewing via the <u>Town's YouTube channel</u>.

#### **CAO's Report regarding Priorities for 2022:**

The Town's CAO, John Pinsent, provided Council with a proposed Priority List for 2022 and beyond. The Town is in the process of developing an updated Strategic Plan. The development of the Strategic Plan will become the foundational document to establish desired outcomes, focus areas for future work and guidance of what is important to achieve over the next 5 years. Until that document is finalized, complete with public input and consultation, staff require a plan and priority list. Staff will provide a finalized list of priorities to Council at a future Council meeting. For more information, and for a list of the proposed 2022 Priorities, please see the <u>CAO's Priorities for 2022 report</u>.



Take a Look at the Agenda and Minutes from the November 23, 2021 Regular Session of Council

#### **What's Happening in Our Municipal Departments:**

Council received monthly Activity Reports from the General Managers of each municipal department. Here are some highlights:

#### Finance:

Areas of discussion included asset management, budget/financials, upcoming technology that will be internally implemented by the Finance department, recent tax sales and upcoming funding opportunities. The complete Finance Activity Report is available on the November 23 Council agenda.

An Outstanding Taxes in Property Sale report was presented for Council's information. The report included reminding Council and the public that when a property is sold, no matter the tax class, municipal taxes are the first in line when lawyers are completing closing processes and transferring ownership. The complete report is available on the November 23 Council agenda.

#### **Infrastructure Services:**

Areas of discussion included upcoming development projects, updates on Capital Works projects, environmental services inspections, and updates in the areas of parks and facilities, utilities and public works. The complete Infrastructure Services Activity Report is available on the November 23 Council agenda.

#### **Fire Services**

Areas of discussions included an update on staffing and staff training, and overview of public education initiatives, information on fire prevention, emergency management, and a report that there were 49 total calls for service during the month of October 2021. The complete Fire Services Activity Report is available on the November 23 Council agenda.

#### **Community & Corporate Services:**

Areas of discussions included human resources updates, an overview of IT projects, and an overview of projects happening within the Clerk's department, economic development, community engagement and programming. The complete Community & Corporate Services Activity Report is available on the November 23 Council agenda.

#### **Policy for Acknowledging Special Events:**

Staff will bring a report to Council in Spring 2022 with a draft amendment to the Town Flag Raising and Proclamation Policy that allows for additional methods of special event recognition, including the painting of crosswalks as an option to promote special events and celebrations in the community.



#### **2022 Municipal Election Information:**

Council is supporting the continued use of the internet and telephone voting exclusively for the 2022 municipal election. Council also discussed the need for a ward review to be undertaken in 2024 for the 2026 municipal election. Please see the <u>Election Matters Update report on the November 23 Council agenda</u> for more information. An updated report based on Council's discussion will be brought to the <u>December 14 meeting</u>.





Members of the public who are eligible to vote in the 2022 municipal election are encouraged to visit VoterLookup.ca from now until August 31, 2022, to confirm that they are on the Preliminary List of Electors prior to voting in the 2022 municipal election.

### Next Regular Session of Council: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 This meeting will be live streamed via our YouTube Channel

DID YOU KNOW?

The next municipal 2022 budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1 from 10 am – 4 pm. This meeting will focus on the Capital and Operating budgets and Water/Sewer budget will be live streamed via our <a href="YouTube channel">YouTube channel</a>.

Our Big Bright Lights are now lit for the holiday season! Thank you to staff and all the community volunteers who helped with the installation process. Shop at our downtown local businesses this Black Friday and enjoy the Big Bright Lights in person! Check out our <u>business directory</u> for a list of local businesses in our community.



Float registration is open for this year's Parade of Lights. Register your local business or community group through our <u>Parade of Lights Float Registration Form</u> before December 3.

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