

# Town of Greater Napanee Council Highlights

Regular Meeting of Council for September 26, 2023

#### **Presentation - Quinte Conservation**

Council heard a presentation regarding the Quinte Conservation Authority Draft Cost-Apportioning Agreement and approved the draft agreement. The complete <u>draft agreement</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

#### **Deputation - Boralex**

Council heard a <u>deputation</u> from Boralex regarding a proposed battery storage facility. Council will consider the request for a municipal support resolution at the next regular meeting on October 10th.

#### **Municipal Accommodation Tax**

Council discussed the possibility of implementing a Municipal Accommodation Tax to create a new revenue stream to support local tourism and destination marketing efforts. Council directed staff to undertake initial community engagement on implementing an accommodation tax, as well as revisiting short term accommodation licensing. This information will be reported back to Council in early 2024, at which point Council will decide whether to proceed with these potential by-laws.

#### **Backyard Poultry Review**

Council reviewed a <u>report</u> on Backyard Poultry which provided updates since the topic was last discussed at the April 11th meeting. Given the ongoing concerns about the avian flu and lack of a vaccine, Council directed that a two-year pause be put on any consideration of a by-law change to permit urban backyard poultry. The current rules will continue to be in effect, which only permit poultry to be kept on properties that are zoned to permit agricultural uses. This topic will be revisited in the fall of 2025.

#### **Proposed Refreshment Vehicle Licensing By-law**

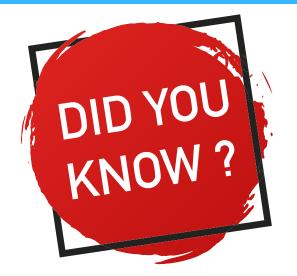
Council received a report for information on the Proposed Refreshment Vehicle Licensing By-law. A by-law to license refreshment vehicles will be brought to the regular meeting on October 24th.

#### **Upcoming Events & Event Registration**

- September 29th "Where is the Pumpkin" contest begins. Clues being released on social media each Friday.
- September 30th Culture Days event in Market Square and Conservation Park.
- October 1st Parade of Lights and Indoor Holiday Market registration to open.
- October 29th Trunk or Treating event.
- November 18th Indoor Holiday Market.
- December 2nd Parade of Lights.



Next Regular Session of Council: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 This meeting will be live streamed via our <u>YouTube Channel</u>



## What's to Come

Visit the <u>2024 Budget Consultation</u> page available on Let's Talk Greater Napanee. This page provides a space where residents can ask questions, provide comments, view information about upcoming budget meetings, and find updated budget documents as they become available.

Take a Look at the <u>Agenda and Minutes</u> from the September 26th, 2023 Regular Session of Council

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

#### Access E11

Areas of discussion included a summary of cases by department, categories of cases submitted, and cases by location. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

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

Areas of discussion included a breakdown of new hires, upcoming events, an update on seasonal closures of outdoor public washrooms and boat launches, and the grant that was awarded to the OPP for camera funding. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

#### **Financial Services**

Areas of discussion included ongoing budget preparation, PBC documents that have been provided to the Auditor, upcoming tax sales, and upcoming staff reports. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

#### **Fire Department**

Areas of discussion included community events attended by the Fire Department including the 9/11 stair climb, Terry Fox Run, and MD Boot Drive, weekly staff training, upcoming fire education and prevention initiatives, and an update on calls for service for the year. The complete <u>Activity</u> <u>Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

#### **Growth & Expansion Services**

Areas of discussion included updates on the 158 Heritage Park Drive apartment building, Benn's Point Subdivision, 416 Dundas Street West, the Dairy Avenue Storage Units, an Official Plan Update, and building permit information for the period of January 1 to September 20, 2023. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

#### **Infrastructure Services**

Areas of discussion included an update on the East Street reconstruction project, Fall leaf and brush collection scheduled for the week of October 23rd for in Town residents and October 30th for the Rural area, and an overview of the Household Hazardous Waste event that saw a total of 549 vehicles attend the event (632 households participate). The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

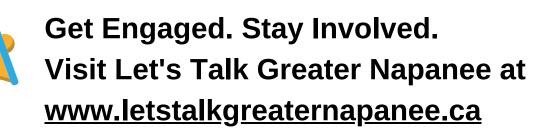
## **Legislative Services**

Areas of discussion included the resumption of crossing guard postings, ongoing work to transfer records to 99 Advance Avenue, and an upcoming review of the Winter Parking Forgiveness (toys for tickets) program policy in advance of the winter parking season. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the September 26th agenda.

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