

# Town of Greater Napanee Council Highlights

# Regular Meeting of Council for April 22, 2025

## **Deputations**

Council heard deputations on the following items:

- A deputation from the Municipal Heritage Committee regarding archival document preservation. Council requested that staff bring a report on this item to a future meeting.
- A deputation from a community member requesting that the Fire Department continue to supply water to the tanks at the Napanee Community Garden which grows fresh, locally grown produce for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Council requested that staff bring a report back about this item for further discussion.

## Former CN Spur Line Bridge Closure

Council received a <u>report</u> on the <u>Former CN Spur Line Bridge Closure</u>. Council authorized staff to install a barrier system to close access to the former CN Spur Line Bridge that spans Highway 401. Staff were also directed to begin discussions with the MTO to seek clarity regarding the future of the bridge as it relates to the planned Highway 401 expansion.



Council received a <u>report</u> on the <u>legislation</u> that was announced by the Province of Ontario that would expand strong mayor powers to the Town of Greater Napanee. Council passed a motion directing staff to send correspondence to the province opposing the expansion of strong mayors powers.

# **Council Inquiry Follow Up - Enforcement Update**

Council received a <u>report</u> for information on an Enforcement Update. Council directed the Mayor and CAO to make inquiries with the Province of Ontario regarding the legislated requirement to use social services funding to support rent payments to housing deemed non-compliant with the Building Code, Fire Code or municipal by-laws. Council also directed the Mayor and CAO to invite the County of Lennox and Addington to join the Town in this effort.

## **Proposed Temporary Road Closure By-law**

Council received a <u>report</u> for a Proposed Temporary Road Closure By-law. Council adopted the by-law to delegate the powers of Council to temporarily close municipal roads.

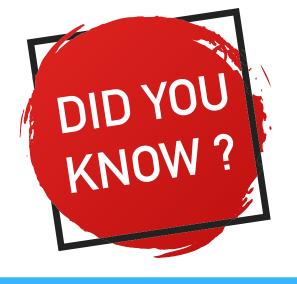
#### **Proclamations**

Council proclaimed the following days and weeks in the Town of Greater Napanee:

- May 4-11, 2025 Emergency Preparedness Week
- May 12, 2025 Fibromyalgia Awareness Day
- May 18-24, 2025 VON Week
- June 2025 Pride Month



Next Regular Session of Council: Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 This meeting will be live streamed via our <u>YouTube Channel</u>



#### What's to Come

A Special Session of Council will be held on May 7, 2025, to discuss a Municipal Alcohol Policy, Access E11 Reporting, and WPCP Tenders and a Financing Strategy.

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

### **Access E11 Report - March 2025**

The report included cases by department, categories of cases submitted, and cases by location for the period of March 2025. The complete Access E11 <u>report</u> is available on the April 22nd agenda.

#### **Executive Services**

Areas of discussion included ongoing work on department service standards, the review of new provincial legislation for municipalities, 2025 student hiring that is 90% complete, Emergency Preparedness Week that runs from May 4th-10th, and the boat launch parking signs that were unbagged for enforcement on April 1st. The complete Activity Report is available on the April 22nd agenda.

## **Fire Department**

Areas of discussion included collaboration with Greater Napanee Connect on the Fire Truck Pull that the group is planning, a total burn ban that is in place until May 15th, and open air burning charges that are being processed for three violations of open air fires during the burn ban. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the April 22nd agenda.



## Financial & Information Technology Services

Areas of discussion included interviews that are underway for the Procurement and Grants Coordinator position, the 2024 audit that is ongoing, 2024 year end procedures that are underway including year end reporting and reconciliations, and open bids & tenders for Spook Horn Cemetery, Town Hall Asbestos & Lead Abatement, a Ride on Floor Scrubber, a Truck Replacement, and a Slip-in Water Tank. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the April 22nd agenda.

#### **Growth & Infrastructure Services**

Areas of discussion included the hiring of a Director of Development Services that will start with the Town on May 5th, a final draft of the official plan that is anticipated to be released in early May for public/agency review and comment, and building updates on the Hilton Hotel, Goodyear Expansion, Village Green Long Term Care Facility, and the L&A Hospital Long Term Care Facility.

Updates were also provided on the blue box transition, a community clean up and Giveaway Day taking place as part of the Town's Earth Day events, hydrant flushing that will begin the week of May 20th, and the spring clean up of winter sand material on streets and sweeping paved shoulders and intersections that is being completed by Public Works. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the April 22nd agenda.

## Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services

Areas of discussion included spring and summer ice and ball diamond bookings that continue to be completed, two movie nights for this summer that are fully sponsored and the third movie night that has a partial sponsorship, the Cuthill lane dock scheduled for installation on April 22nd, and a summary of bar services for the period of March 22nd-April 10th. The complete <u>Activity Report</u> is available on the April 22nd agenda.

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