



# **Council in Brief**

May 28, 2024

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#### **Items for Consideration**

Council approved the following:

Loyalist Township provided permission to staff to request appointment from the Office of the Registrar General to issue <u>marriage licences and perform civil ceremonies</u>. If approved by the Registrar General, the Township would issue marriage licence at \$140 and civil ceremonies would conducted at \$300 plus the cost of park rental if applicable. If required, there would be an additional \$25 per witness provided by the Township.

Township will be switching to a new <u>procurement platform</u> from Bonfire to Bids and Tenders. This will be a cost saving for the Township with an annual cost of \$1700. The current platform costs \$13,000 annually to manage tenders and requests for proposals. The contract with Bonfire expires August 31, 2024.

Staff will be submitting an application under the Community Grants Policy in the amount of \$15,000 for the <u>Community Tree Initiative</u>. The proposed development of a Community Tree Initiative Program would offer a tree to Township property owners to plant privately, with a small portion of the cost borne by the property owner. A pilot program proposes to begin with approximately 100 trees, for Township property owners to purchase one tree on a first-come, first-served basis.

In the 2023-2024 winter season there was a <u>Community Outdoor Rink Program</u> pilot for a volunteer-led program. The Township committed to working with community volunteers to provide quality outdoor ice rinks throughout the Township. Three volunteer community groups mobilized for the program with locations in Amherstview (Sunnyside Park), Bath (Bath Public School) and Odessa (Sk8er Park).

Council recommended that the Odessa Agriculture Society submit an application to the Community Benefit for the capital stream in the amount of \$4500 to request the donation of the <u>John Deere Mower</u> ZPF08.

#### Items approved through the Consent Agenda

Minutes of the May 14, 2024 meeting of Council and Committee of the Whole

**Drinking Water Systems 2023 Annual QMS Report** 

Building Activity Report - April 2024

Violet Waste Disposal Site - 2023 Annual Development & Operations Report

Amherst Island Waste Disposal Site - 2023 Annual Development & Operations Report

Annual Stormwater Management System Performance Report - 2023

### **By-Laws**

By-laws approved at this meeting can be located at the following link: 2024 By-laws

#### Committee of the Whole Next Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2024 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, 2024 6:00 p.m.

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