



Council News & Notes

From Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Upcoming Meetings

Council Meeting
April 25th 6 pm

Regular
Council Meeting

Council Meeting
May 9th 9 am

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Council Meeting

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Mayors' Message

No better way to start off a Council Meeting than with a great big congratulations! Our Tweed Hawks were the OMHA U-18 Tier 3 champions. Way to go TEAM! Congratulations also to the coaches, staff, families and fans that supported this group of determined, committed and spirited champions. Quoting Phil Jackson: "The strength of the Team is in each individual member. The strength of each member is in the Team." Your community is proud of all that you have accomplished.

I was also reflecting on a big anniversary. This year we celebrate our 25th anniversary as a Municipality. I will be looking for ideas on how as a community we can mark this great occasion.

On March 29th I was interviewed by Lorne Brooker re our recent \$1.2 million tornado funding announcement. On March 30th I attended our Hastings County Council Meeting. Also that day I was interviewed by Kiernan Green from Canada Press and John Lawless from Global News.

On April 1st I attended a full day training session on how to successfully conduct a capital campaign for major fundraising initiatives. I am hoping that within this mandate we will begin not only considering but implementing a strategy to build a new recreational/community facility, expanding our library and creating art installations across the municipality. It is important that our Municipality not be just be a stop along the way but be the destination. Once we have them here that visit becomes permanent. We have so much to offer across this great municipality...the village ...the hamlets and everything in between affording all those who come here a lifestyle that is unique to this region.

On Monday April 3rd I attended a workshop hosted by the Hastings County Economic Development Team re tourism and the 2SLGTBQ community. That afternoon we had an Emergency Management Working Group meeting where we focused on strategizing and developing a plan to begin allocating our \$1.2 million from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

On April 4th I was joined by fellow Councillors for the presentation of a certificate to the Salvation Army celebrating their new store opening. We are grateful to see that they are back in full operation since this is a service that is needed by many in our community and regionally.

On April 7th I was interviewed by Gregory Wilson from Radio Canada re our recent \$1.2 million announcement.

As always I like to remind everyone that my fellow Councillors are also involved in these activities. You have an engaged Council.

Staff Sergeant James Locke - Central Hastings OPP

Staff Sergeant James Locke of the Central Hastings OPP Detachment attended the Council Meeting to introduce himself to the new Council. Council expressed their appreciation to the Staff Sergeant for the level of service provided to Tweed by the Detachment and for the great working relationship Tweed has enjoyed over the years.

Sally Gale - Central Hastings Support Network

Sally Gale, Executive Director of Central Hastings Support Network, attended the Council Meeting to provide a presentation on Central Hastings Public Transit and an update on services.

Following the presentation Mayor DeGenova suggested that the Mayors of all the municipalities participating in the Central Hastings Transit System write letters to request that more stable funding be provided in future to allow the Transit System to operate efficiently.

Investment Policy Review

Council received the Investment Policy Report and Council accepted the suggested changes from staff. A By-law for final approval will be considered at the April 25th Council Meeting. [A copy of the Investment Policy can be viewed at this link.](#)

Salt Management Plan By-law

Council adopted a Salt Management Plan for the Municipality of Tweed. [The By-law and plan can be accessed here.](#)

Agreement with Centre and South Hastings Waste Services Board By-law

Council passed [a By-law](#) to enter into an agreement with the Centre and South Hastings Waste Services Board to fulfill waste diversion functions.

Ontario Clean Water Agency - Lagoon Report

Council received the 2022 Annual Report for the Tweed Lagoons and Collection System and it may be accessed at [this link.](#)
