



# Council News & Notes

From Wednesday, March 8, 2023

## Upcoming Meetings

**Council Meeting**  
March 28th 6 pm

Regular  
Council Meeting

**Council Meeting**  
April 11th 9 am

Regular  
Council Meeting

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## Mayors' Message

We celebrate all the women and girls in our community on International Women's Day. This year's theme is "Embrace Equity – looking to a world free of bias, stereotypes and discrimination...a world that is diverse, equitable and inclusive." Council would like to thank all women for making a difference in our community and around the world.

On February 13<sup>th</sup> I attended a Tweed & Company Board meeting. The next day Council held a Committee of the Whole meeting, the main purpose of which was to discuss amendments to our Procedural By-law. On February 16<sup>th</sup> I participated in Hastings County's Planning Executive meeting.

The weekend Feb 17-19th welcomed us with our annual Tweed Winter Carnival with so many fun-filled activities. On Friday I was hauled off to jail and only released when my bail was posted, a fundraising initiative in support of our Food Bank. I enjoyed story time with young Tweedites at our Library and then off to Hungerford Hall to judge the handmade go-carts and races sponsored by the Lions Club and then on to the polar plunge. That afternoon I visited the vendor show at the White Building and then indulged in the Legion's chili cooking contest. The next day I worked with fellow Kiwanians serving 420 residents who attended our community pancake breakfast and bake sale. Thank you to all the organizers and volunteers who made this year's Winter Carnival one for the books!!

On the 21<sup>st</sup> I chaired the Hastings County Planning Development Committee and then attended the County Finance, Property and Personnel Committee. Later that afternoon our Council held a Special Council meeting. The next day I meet with the Hastings County Economic Development Team after which I chaired the Enterprise Facilitation Board meeting. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> I participated in the County Council monthly meeting. On February 28<sup>th</sup> Tweed Council held it's public 2023 budget meeting.

On March 2<sup>nd</sup> we had a tour of our Tweed & Area Heritage Centre...thank you Evan Morton for bringing the historical treasures of our community to life. I encourage all residents including our local schools to visit their history. Rest assured there is no better story teller than Evan. That afternoon I chaired a Special County Planning meeting where we discussed a KPMG study looking at the state of planning across the County. In the evening I chaired the Kiwanis meeting.

On Friday I was off to the MAC to take in the AC/DC Tribute concert. What a wonderful show and talk about bringing back memories. On Monday I attended the Tweed & Company Finance meeting and on Tuesday I joined community garden enthusiasts at the Library to hear the Horticultural Society's guest speaker Kyle Blaney talk on "Back Yard Birds".

Today I would like us to celebrate both the Tweed & Area Heritage Centre and the Tweed & Area Horticulture Society for all that they do to keep this community vibrant. One way to thank these organizations and show our support is by taking out a membership. The Heritage Centre (Single \$10.00; Family \$15.00) Horticulture Society (Single \$12.00; Family \$16.00). The number of memberships often helps these organizations secure operational funding.

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

### Family Space - Lisa Elliot & Diana Beatty

Lisa Elliot & Diana Beatty attended the meeting to discuss marketing and expansion of licensed Home Child Care in the Tweed Community. [You can view the presentation here.](#)

### Justin Harrow MCIP, RPP - Director of Planning & Development

Justin Harrow made a County Planning Presentation and briefly outlined planning processes for Council. [You can view the presentation here.](#)

### Louisa St. Watermain Crossing Tender

Council accepted the recommendation from Jewell Engineering for the lowest tender bid from Fidelity Engineering for construction and installation of a watermain on the Louisa St. bridge over the Moira River in the amount of \$681,625.44 excluding HST.

### Gravel Crushing at Esker Pit

Council accepted the quote from Danford Aggregates to crush 25,000 tonnes of gravel at Esker Pit in the amount of \$3.75 per tonne plus HST.

### Truck, Aluminum Dump Box, Plow, and Sander

Council accepted the quote from Bence Motors for the truck and aluminum dump box in the amount of \$103,295.55, non-rebated HST included; AND FURTHER, that Council approve the purchase of the plow and sander from Trailers Plus in the amount of \$25,478.66, non-rebated HST included.

### Tender for Joe Allore Bridge Replacement

Council accepted the recommendations from Jewell Engineering for the lowest tender bid from Fidelity Engineering and Construction Inc in the amount of \$1,652,525.12 plus HST subject to property acquisition.

### Tender for Well Drilling at the River. Pumping Station

Council accepted the lowest quote from G. Hart and Sons for the drilling and pump testing of a new well at the River St. Pumping Station in the amount of \$103,367.00 including non-recoverable HST as recommended by Greer Galloway.

### Parks & Recreation Tractor Tender

Council approved the quote from Anderson Equipment for a Kubota Station Tractor with no cab in the amount of \$48,239.17 plus HST plus installation of a sunshade.

### Budget By-laws

Council passed By-law 2023-10, a By-law to adopt a budget of all sums required for the Municipality of Tweed for the year 2023. Council also passed By-law 2023-11 a By-law to impose fees and charges on persons for services and activities carried out by the Municipality. By-law 2023-12, a By-law to provide for the billing and collecting of water and sewer charges was also passed by Council.

### Committees By-laws

Council passed By-laws 2023-14, 2023-15, 2023-16, and 2023-17 to appoint a Committee of Adjustment/Planning, appoint the Tweed Public Library Board, appoint Council members to advisory committees, local boards, and external boards and committees, and a By-law to appoint members of Boards and Committees for the year 2023.

## Ontario Clean Water Agency - Tweed Drinking Water System

OCWA- 2022 Tweed Drinking Water System Annual Water Report

**Copies Available in the Municipal Office.**

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