

Council News & Notes

From Tuesday, August 24, 2021

Upcoming Meetings

Council Meeting Sept 8 9 am

Regular Council Meeting

Council Meeting Sept 28 5 pm

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Mayor's Remarks

This past month it was my pleasure to present Birthday Certificates on behalf of Council - one to Evan Morton - celebrating his 80th and the other to Edna Wilson on Aug. 8th who celebrated her 99th.

On Aug 9th I took part in a conversation with Councillor DeMarsh, Chair of CPAC and other CPAC members, Staff Sgt Jim Locke, and the Solicitor General's office re the new Policing Board. We will have a report before us at another meeting.

On Aug 10th - I was also pleased to present Grand Opening certificates to Frost House and Tweed Desi. We are behind in these presentations because of COVID restrictions and are going to do other interested businesses in September.

On Aug 14th, I attended the Heart of Hastings Butterfly Release. A truly lovely but emotional event for all.

Saturday and Sunday- Aug 14th & 15th I attended virtually AMO Board Meetings.

Aug 16th-18th was the virtual AMO Conference. This was one of the best conferences that I have attended. They were long days - 8:00 - 4:30 everyday but I have to commend AMO staff for providing such relevant and informative topics.

I attended sessions on Indigenous Relations, Insurance, Youth, Conservation and Cannabis and the 3 Ministers' Forums - plus others.

One interesting note- The Minister of Infrastructure included the Tweed Lagoon with pictures in her presentation.

The last session was a <u>virtual tour of the Woodlands Cultural Centre</u> - a Mohawk Residential School in Brantford. This is one video I would greatly encourage all Council, staff and those reading to watch. I know we cannot change the past but we need to educate ourselves first on the history of our indigenous nations before we can bring about change.

We received an AMO Policy Update re Municipal Recognition of Sept 30th as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - this update also contains links to two AMO resources. There is also a resolution to encourage AMO members to recognize September 30th as National Day for TRC (also known as Orange Shirt Day).

COVID RESOURCES

The Municipality of Tweed has a COVID-19 page with resources, guides, and links to local, provincial and federal information. You can access this information at this link. <u>Covid-19 Page.</u>

ICIP Green Stream Intake 2

Council authorized staff to submit an application to the ICIP Green Stream intake 2 Program for the project to provide a second water main feed access to the village properties located on the east side of the Moira River.

Slow Moving Vehicles - Road Signage

Council accepted the offer from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture for funded farm equipment signage for our roadways to be placed on high volume roads with farming operations nearby.

By-law No. 2021-53

A By-law to provide for the schedule of retention periods for the records of the Corporation of the Municipality of Tweed was passed by Council. The updated retention By-law will establish disposal and retention policies for municipal records.

Cashless Payments At Stoco Waste Site

Cashless payments will be implemented at the Stoco Waste Site beginning September 1, 2021. Council authorized a three-month grace period while the Waste Site staff implement the policy. After September 1, you will be required to pay via your debit card or with bag tags.

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