# FALL 2017

# **Council Communiqué**



## TANKER SHUTTLE ACCREDITATION

On June 22nd the Tweed Fire Department was successful in receiving their residential tanker accreditation of 2,000 gallons per minute.

Residents are encouraged to check with their home insurance providers to see if they are eligible for a discounted home insurance rate due to the tanker shuttle accreditation of the Tweed Fire Department. Residents who live within 8 KM of the fire hall may qualify.

More information will be posted on **www.tweed.ca** in the near future.

#### <u>VOLUNTEER</u> <u>FIREFIGHTERS NEEDED</u>

Anyone interested in joining the Tweed Fire Department can complete an application online at www.tweed.ca

Residents are reminded to secure their loads of waste when travelling to

the Waste Site.



## From The Mayor's Desk

My what a summer it has been in Tweed! I want to begin by thanking the community for coming together for Canada 150 celebrations. The various special events that have taken place have been absolutely awesome! From the community dinner in Actinolite, to the celebration in Thomasburg, to Canada Day events throughout the area, I am so proud of how everyone displayed their Canadian pride right here in our Municipality.

A special thank you for the dedication of staff and volunteers for a very successful Farm to Table event on Metcalf St. on Saturday, July 22. I was blown away by the number of attendees, and who could forget that incredible meal! Thank you Farmers and Chefs! The memories of our community coming together for Canada 150 in this fashion makes me extremely pleased to be from Tweed.

Ranking high on Councils' priorities is completing our Strategic Plan for the Municipality that will ensure clear vision and objectives when planning for future municipal projects.

I am pleased a major project that will be undertaken this Fall is the revitalization of the Stoco Lake Boat Launch in Tweed Memorial Park. \$70,750 was received to cover half the cost of this major revitalization. Once completed the Memorial Park boat launch will be able to successfully handle boat traffic effectively and



safely as we have seen a spike in the number of anglers on Stoco Lake over the past several years.

Naturally I would like to wish the best of luck to our Tweed Minor Hockey teams competing at the Arena this winter. Go Hawks!

Lastly, I must give a big thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time this year at our various events. In this Canada 150 year, the true Canadian ideals have been on display across the country, but none more so than here in Tweed. Almost every event you attend is run by volunteers from the planning, to the implementation, to the actual day of the event itself. We cannot thank these community stewards enough for how they make Tweed the hub it is.

Happy Canada 150!

## <u>Tweed Arena Retro Fit</u>

Tweed received a \$118,250 Canada 150 grant that will pay for half of an energy retrofit at the Tweed Arena.

The lighting retrofit, which replaced 430 lights with LEDs, was completed in July, 2017. Preliminary data suggests that the retrofit will pay for itself in less than two years. Replacing the compressors will begin later this year.

The retrofit will significantly reduce electricity costs at the Tweed Arena which have skyrocketed. In 2014 the Tweed Arena's annual electricity costs were \$27,000; in 2015 they more than doubled to \$60,000.

Council has been proactive in trying to keep costs as

low as possible to ensure sustainability over the short and long term.

Council is committed to recreation and youth in our community and look forward to seeing our community centre full this winter.



Tweed Arena Ice Availability Call Rachelle at 613-478-2535 (rhardesty@tweed.ca) to inquire about Arena ice rentals.

## FALL EVENTS

Feast From Farm

#### September 10th



#### Tweed & Area Studio Tour

September 23rd & 24th



#### Tweed Festival of Trees

Nov. 30th–Dec. 3rd



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# 2017 Volunteer Appreciation

The 2017 Municipal Volunteer Appreciation will held on Wednesday, September 20th in the Tweed Memorial Park. This year the Municipality solicited Volunteer of the Year nominations from residents during the month of August.

The 2017 Volunteer of the Year will be announced at the event which includes a BBQ dinner open to anyone who volunteers their time in the Municipality of Tweed throughout the year. Tickets for the event can be picked up at the Municipal Office. The contributions of our local volunteers does not go unnoticed, and each year Council looks forward to celebrating our community spirit and honouring individuals for their outstanding service.

## 2017 Capital Projects

- Roads resurfaced: French Settlement Rd. with tar & chip, Fuller Rd. with tar & chip, Victoria St. N. with asphalt.
- Arena: Gas water heater, shield panels, puck boards, roof repairs, shower repairs, lighting energy retrofit.
- Fire: Washing machine and dryer rack for equipment, natural gas furnaces and hot water tanks, air packs, used truck for fire hall, dry hydrants.
- Parks: Boat launch, park locate survey, ball diamond upgrades, fencing for fairgrounds, Pave sidewalks in Moira Memorial Park, electronic sign replacement.
- Waste Sites: Monitoring wells as requested by the Ministry of the Environment & Climate Change.
- Admin: Heating & cooling rooftop units.

# <u>Victoria St. N. Project</u>

This summer a major project for Public Works was the resurfacing of 800 meters of Victoria St. N. on the west side of the Moira River.

The project was slated for resurfacing in our Municipal Asset Management Plan.

The project also includes the replacement of sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and sewer mains.

The road work is estimated to be completed this Fall.



# 2017 Tax Rates

This chart depicts a breakdown of Municipal, County, & Provincial residential tax rates.

Total estimated revenues are estimated to be \$7,168,602 and total estimated expenses are \$6,544,482 for operating and \$1,332,720 for capital expenses. \$708,600 will be transferred from reserves.

Municipal	0.00679200	59%
County	0.00286414	25%
Province	0.00179000	16%
Total	0.011446140	100%

**DID YOU KNOW?** - The Municipality of Tweed is able to issue tax receipts for donations to Municipal projects. Several Recreation projects that are ongoing are eligible for tax receipts from the Municipality.

**DON'T FORGET:** Please keep your tax bills for income tax purposes & please call with address updates to 613-478-2535.