



Township of
Leeds and the
Thousand Islands

Council Update

WEEK OF OCTOBER 4, 2021

COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES

Recreation and Leisure Programming

- 22 children registered for the volunteer run soccer program at Sweet's Corners Elementary
- Continuing to manage COVID vaccination requirements for programming (several inquiries)
- Facilitation of online program participation

Communications and Marketing

- Social campaign this week for Ontario Agriculture Week
- Media release (Thanksgiving)

Business Support

- Consult with Gananoque re: Wayfinding Sign program recruitment (will be coupled with DMS (another collaborative initiative))
- Preparing for upcoming workshops

Events

- Promotional support for upcoming Food Drive
- Preparations for two Halloween events with community partners (Library, LAFR, Sunny Acres, Lions, etc)
- Planning meeting with Rural Recreation for fall Trails summit

Other

- All wage subsidy grant final reports submitted
- Awarded new CRPA grant (wage subsidy) for fall/winter parks staff
- Discussion with SLPC re: winter maintenance (ahead of Oct 8th mtg)

Emergency Management

- Loyalist Sector meeting to review 2021 compliance/reporting requirements
- Meeting of the Low Water Condition Working group (move to level 1 with recent rain events)

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Planning and Development Update

The contract planner position has been reposted until October 22, 2021.

There are two public meetings scheduled to start at 6pm in advance of the Council meeting on October 12. The staff reports can be found at the links below. If you have any questions, please contact Planning staff.

[River Valley Estates Subdivision- Technical Amendment to interpretation of lot area](#)

[129 Benson Park Road- zoning amendment to permit a boat house with roof top deck space](#)

OPERATIONS

Environmental

- Contractor notified sand delivery to Lansdowne WDS will stop and use of stockpiled material on-site to be utilized.
- Contractor visit scheduled for morning of Tuesday Oct 12th to discuss options for site compaction and cleanup.
- Pricing for brush grinding requested from contractors.

Facilities

- BCA draft reports continue to be submitted for review.
- Small water system check. All seasonal ones will be closed end of next week.
- Providing historical documentation to insurance inspection company as needed.
- RFP for BCA's sent to insurance broker for proof of maintenance scheduling and asset management of our facilities.
- Generator checks and service scheduled for next month
- 1233 Prince
 - sewage chamber conversion completed
 - Drapeau in for sprinkler's inspections Station 1/PW
- Station 4
 - Electrician booked for repairs

Parks and Cemeteries

- All Parks
 - Mowing (continued)
 - Garbage collection
- Lansdowne Cemetery maintenance
- Jerry Park
 - Electrician booked for repairs to lights at multi-use court
- Centennial Park

- Electrician booked to disconnect existing and install new light fixtures below Osprey nest.
- All Village sign gardens cleaned, and perennials planted
- Parks Pavilions and washrooms closed end of next week

Roads and Fleet

- Lekx Road ditching (Continued)
- Gravel resurfacing program (Continued)
- Gravel road grading (Continued)
- Roadside brushing with tractor (Continued)
- Hardtop patching (Continued)
- Clearing and brushing (Continued)
- Patrolling (Continued)
- Grenadier Island brushing
- Fleet maintenance
- Speed Zone compliance- sign order submitted
- Rental loader for winter season- ordered

FINANCE

- Staff are working on 2022 budgets; some restructuring of the GL is being implemented to facilitate reporting and management of work.
- Reviewing 2021 budget to actual results and making adjusting entries where necessary
- The Deputy Treasurer is working on an update to the rates and fees bylaw based on input from SMT
- Work is ongoing with respect to CityWide and the Township's asset inventory data

FIRE

- Fire Services responded to 4 calls – 1 MVC, 2 Remote Alarms, 1 False Fire
- Chief's office now moved completely to Station 1 Lansdowne
- Details confirmed for Rope Rescue Course at Southwest Fire Academy October 18-21, 2021
- Met with Finance to discuss Training Center line items to better reflect expenses in 2022 budget
- In discussions with OFC for upcoming 2022-2023 Course Calendar. To be completed and sent to all Chiefs and stakeholders by mid-October.
- In process of wrapping up all 2020/2021 Fire Reports and Hours to complete end of year honorarium and pay.
- Completed Call-ups for ground support to assist with Firefighter II Course October 16th and 17th

ADMINISTRATION

- Committee of the Whole follow-up
- Council agenda preparation
- Attended Clerks Forum
- Elections Training
- Fence viewers application filed
- Library Board vacancy ad posted
- 2022 Municipal Election
 - Polling Location Planning – Email to Council for feedback
 - Report regarding polling locations expected for November COTW meeting
 - Elections Training with AMCTO – Module 3

- Weekly LGL Public Health Unit call:
 - Vaccination rate for unit at 96.6% first dose and 91.3% second dose for ages 12+
 - PHU seeing 1-4 new COVID cases per day with no major spreader occurrences.
 - PHU planning for vaccine rollout to 5-11yr olds once direction given by Province and vaccine supply is available.
 - No news from the Province on making 3rd shots generally available to the public. Focus remains on protecting vulnerable population.