
COUNCIL NEWS

FROM THE AUGUST 21st, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENTATION TO 4-H MEMBERS

Acting Mayor Cheryl Ganann congratulated and presented 4-H Members Jonathan Dugdale and Mattea Lodewyk with Certificates of Recognition. Acting Mayor Ganann noted that Jonathan Dugdale received the Grand Champion award and Mattea Lodewyk received the Reserve Champion award under the Leadership of Ann Marie Chechalk (Goat Club Leader) and Mary Dove (Goat Club Leader) at the 2016 Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and further stated that the recipients brought exceptional honour to themselves, to the local club and its leaders and to the municipality.

MURS FUNDRAISING UPDATE - UPDATE

Mr. Glen Boy from Campaign Coaches provided an update on the fundraising initiative for the Multi-Use Recreation Site and noted that his review indicates that the fundraising target appears to be achievable.

MURS DESIGN PRESENTATION

Mr. Hank Huitema of Kalos Engineering and Mr. Matthew Delean of Architecture 49 provided an update of the status of the MURS project. Mr. Huitema advised that design for the splash pad and playground were approved and that approval of the skate park was pending because of the consultation undertaken with the local youth group. Mr. Huitema further confirmed that the schedule is on target and that site preparation will commence in the next few weeks with the groundbreaking ceremony to be held on September 6, 2017.

FIRE ROUTE BY-LAW AMENDMENT – WEST NIAGARA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Fire Route By-law was amended to add a designated fire route at the West Niagara Agricultural Society (WNAS) site and no parking will be permitted in that zone.

IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMERCIAL BUILDING FACADE GRANT PROGRAM FOR DOWNTOWN SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

Council authorized staff to advertise in the local newspaper notifying the public that commercial building façade grant proposals will be accepted until October 6, 2017 for businesses to update their façade to improve the urban design and streetscape in the Downtown Core.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Acting CAO/Clerk advised that a Special Council Meeting will be required on September 11, 2017, in order to approve the tender for the Wellandport Library Project.