

COUNCIL NEWS

FROM THE OCTOBER 23rd, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENTATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT REPORT – INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER

The Integrity Commissioner for the Township of West Lincoln was called upon to investigate the conduct of Councillor Dave Bylsma in connection with a complaint. Council adopted the recommendation of the Integrity Commissioner to impose a penalty of reprimand on Councillor Bylsma with respect to his comments and for him to issue a public apology to Councillor Bell.

PROCESS TO AUTHORIZE MINOR VARIANCES TO THE FENCE BY-LAW (BY-LAW 2017-99)

Council approved By-law 2017-107 to empower the Committee of Adjustment to make decisions on fence variance application in accordance with Sections 2 & 3 of the Township's Fence By-law 2017-99, which came into effect October 15, 2017.

SMITHVILLE URBAN EXPANSION PROJECT

Council authorized staff to proceed with preparing a draft timeline, process, study area, terms of reference with respect to expansion of the Urban Area of Smithville and to work jointly with Regional staff to establish a budget for the entire work plan and report back to a future Planning Committee Meeting. Council also authorized the holding of two Public open houses on October 24, 2017 at 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm at the Main Administrative Office in the Council Chambers.

APPROVAL OF THE 2018-2022 MULTI-YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

Council approved the 2018-2022 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and renewed the consultant agreement with the Herrington Group Ltd. for consulting purposes for 2018 and 2019. The Plan is available for viewing on the Township website www.westlincoln.ca.

2018 BUDGET PROCESS AND SCHEDULE

The Preliminary Draft 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets and Ten Year Capital Plans will be presented at the February 20th, 2018 Administration/Finance/Fire Committee Meeting. A Public Budget Open House will be held on Thursday, February 22nd, 2018 and reviewed on Monday, March 19th, 2018, if further deliberations are needed the Committee will meet on March 20, 2018.

MEETING SCHEDULE AND HOLIDAY HOURS

Council approved the following meeting schedule for December 2017 and January, 2018 and the following Holiday Hours:

December, 2017 Meeting Schedule:

- (a) Mon., Dec. 4, 2017 Planning/Building/Environ. Comm. Mtg - 6:30 p.m. (including Public Meetings under the Planning Act) Followed by Admin/Finance/Fire & Public Works/Rec/Arena Comm. Mtgs.
- (b) Mon., Dec. 11, 2017 Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

January, 2018 Meeting Schedule:

- (a) Mon., Jan. 15, 2018 Planning/Building/Environ. Comm. Mtg. – 6:30 p.m. (including Public Meetings under the Planning Act).
- (b) Mon., Jan. 22, 2018 Admin/Finance/Fire Comm. Mtg. – 6:30 p.m. Followed by the Public Works/Rec/Arena Committee Mtg.
- (c) Mon., Jan. 29, 2018 Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Office Closure:

- (a) The Main Administration Office will be closed on December 25th, 2017 to January 1, 2018 inclusive.
- (b) The Public Works Yard will be closed from December 24, 2017 to December 27, 2017 inclusive and January 1, 2018 but will remain open on December 28 and 29, 2017.
- (c) The Arena will be closed December 25th and will remain open, subject to program scheduling on December 24th, 2017 and from December 26th, 2017 to January 1st, 2018 inclusive.

AMENDMENTS TO REFRESHMENT CART LICENSING BY-LAW 2010-20

Council delegated the authority to the Clerk to approve daily Refreshment Cart Licenses. A copy of the consolidated By-law is available on the Township's website www.westlincoln.ca.

APPROVAL OF ROAD REHABILITATION TENDER

Council accepted the tender submission from Norjohn Contracting and Paving Ltd. for the road and bridge restoration works, in the amount of \$3,523,429.00 (plus HST). Restoration works are scheduled to take place in 2018.

APPROVAL OF SANITARY REHABILITATION TENDERS – (Wade Road, Colver Street and Station Street Sanitary Rehabilitation and Thompson Road Sanitary Sewer Upgrade)

Council accepted the tender submission from Pipeflo Contracting Corporation for sanitary rehabilitation works on Wade Road, Colver Street and Station Street in the amount of \$145,987.50 (plus HST). Council accepted the tender submission by Gedco Excavating Ltd. for sanitary sewer upgrade works on Thompson Road in the amount of \$146,561.65 (plus HST). The rehabilitations will be completed by March, 2018.