

COUNCIL CONNECT: HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MAY 14, 2019 MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

Tecumseh Town Council held a Public Meeting, a Court of Revision Meeting, an In-Camera Meeting and Regular Meeting of Council on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. The following are the highlights from those meetings:

ERCA Presentation on Flooding

- Tim Byrne, Director Watershed Management Services, Essex Region Conservation Authority, presented a report to Council on the regional flooding impacts this spring due to increased water levels in the Great Lakes Watershed. Mr. Byrne outlined that ERCA had been working with all municipalities in Windsor and Essex County and would be sharing this information at Essex County Council. Council approved the development of a Sandbag Program for residents, with particular focus on assisting those living adjacent to Lake St. Clair and Pike Creek until mid-June 2019. Full details on that program will be shared publicly once it is available. Key properties identified for higher risk for shoreline as well as inland flooding will be contacted directly by Town staff. A report on “Lake Flooding Emergency Preparedness” will be prepared for the May 28, 2019 meeting.

Webcasting of Council Meetings

- Council approved Webcasting and Closed Captioning of meetings in principle, directing Administration to purchase cameras for implementation. It is expected that Council meetings will be available by webcast by the end of 2019. Webcasting service has been long contemplated by the Town to enhance transparency and accountability of local government for residents; recent technology advancements have enabled this service to be provided more affordably and reliably. Full details on availability and a link for the meetings will be provided when it is complete.

West Nile Virus Larvicide 2019

- Council approved support of the annual West Nile Virus Program delivered by the Windsor-Essex Health Unit. This includes agreeing to allow for larvicide to be sprayed in water bodies in the Town of Tecumseh that are found to contain mosquito species known to transmit West Nile Virus. Information on the dates of this application will be shared publicly on the Town’s website and through the Shoreline Week and Essex Free Press newspapers.

The next Regular Meeting of Council is scheduled for May 28, 2019 at 7 p.m. Full agenda details will be available on the website Thursday, May 23. Information on this and all Town of Tecumseh news and events is available at www.tecumseh.ca, Twitter (@TownofTecumseh), and Facebook (www.facebook.com/townoftecumseh).

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