



*March 2022*

### **March 7, 2022 Regular Council Meeting**

#### *Request for Funding for Northern Huron Connection Centre Pilot Project*

- At the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council received a presentation from representatives from the United-Way Perth Huron updating Council on the Northern Huron Connection Centre pilot project and requesting funds to support the operating and capital costs of the project. Council noted the project's alignment with the Township's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan and provided \$7,500 in support of the project.

#### *North Huron Wescast Community Complex Roof Tender Outcome*

- Council awarded the contract for the replacement of the North Huron Wescast Community Complex flat roof sections to Grand Valley Roofing & Coatings Inc. and the contract for the removal and replacement of roof top equipment, electrical and gas fittings to Cliffs Plumbing & Heating. The Township received Federal and Provincial funding for the project through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

#### *Compact Wheel Loader Request for Tenders Outcome*

- Council awarded the tender for the purchase of a new Compact Wheel Loader to Huron Tractor. The compact wheel loader is used for the majority of the everyday public works activities and winter maintenance for the north part of the Township.

#### *Maitland Valley Conservation Authority - Inventory of Programs and Services*

- Council received correspondence from the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority seeking feedback on the inventory of programs and services provided. Council passed a resolution supporting the proposed inventory of programs and services and supporting, in principle the drafting of a Memorandum of Understanding covering all services.

#### *Wingham Ironmen Request to Delay the Removal of Ice at the North Huron Wescast Community Complex*

- Council approved a request received from the Wingham Ironmen to delay the removal of the ice at the North Huron Wescast Community Complex. The request was approved, subject to the Wingham Ironmen agreeing to pay for 15 hours of ice per week.

### **March 21, 2022 Regular Council Meeting**

#### *Water and Wastewater Operations & Maintenance 2021 Review*

- At the March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, Council received a presentation from Veolia Water Canada representatives regarding the 2021 Annual Activities Review for Blyth and Wingham. The reports are available for public viewing free of charge and are also posted on the Township's website.

## *Wingham and Blyth Business Improvement Area (BIA) Budget Approvals*

- Council approved the 2022 Wingham and Blyth BIA budgets, and directed staff to incorporate the Wingham BIA and Blyth BIA levy amounts into the 2022 North Huron Final Budget.

## *Fire Department Radio System Upgrades*

- Council authorized the Fire Chief to proceed with necessary upgrades to the radio system through a joint project with the Morris-Turnberry Public Works Department. These upgrades will maximize radio coverage, eliminate “dead spots”, and will ensure Firefighters receiving dispatch broadcasts will all get the call at the same time so they are able to respond to all calls in a safe and organized manner.

## *Rural Economic Development (RED) Program Agreement*

- At the March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, Council authorized for the execution of a Rural Economic Development Program funding agreement for a North Huron Bus Tour Experience. The scope of the project is to establish a multi-faceted tourism program for the Township that includes: (1) engaging in a partnership with local businesses for the design and promotion of a ‘bus tour’ intended to showcase agriculture, landmarks, businesses and attractions of North Huron; and (2) establishing a Community Guide and Brochure to promote these tours as well as “What North Huron has to Experience”.

## *Wingham Columbus Centre Request to Reconsider Repayment Plan Council Decisions*

- At the request of the Wingham Columbus Centre, Council agreed to reconsider its previous decisions to require a repayment plan to be established by the Wingham Columbus Centre for amounts owing to the Township. Council agreed to waive the amounts owing from 2020 and 2021 and granted \$14,000 of relief for the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years.

## **March 24, 2022 Special Meeting of Council**

### *North Huron Official Plan 5 Year Review*

- At the March 24<sup>th</sup> Special Council meeting, Council received and reviewed the first draft of the official plan amendment. Council provided feedback on mapping and policy text amendments and directed staff to: provide notice to landowners with proposed mapping changes, send letters to lands owners with urban or adjacent lands of interest for further consultation, and schedule open house dates for the week of April 18th, 2022.

**Additional North Huron Council information, meeting minutes and agendas can be found on the [Township of North Huron website](#).**

Next Regular Council Meetings to be held in April 2022:

Monday, April 4th at 6:00 PM in the North Huron Town Hall Theatre

Tuesday, April 19 at 6:00 PM in the North Huron Town Hall Theatre