

Trent Lakes Council Meeting

January 12, 2021

Dave Reid - Economic Development Advisory Committee

Realizes a lot of emphasis on Buckhorn area because of Trent Lock and businesses avbl.

Successes summary. More listed on agenda on TL website. -Created a Facebook page for Facebook businesses

Economic Development Officer – Lynn Holtz

Development of Community Pathway

Increased parking area in Buckhorn Village

Future – Asset acquisition by-law

Economics of youth in community

Further Partnership building – Parks Canada, BCC, GPED , KLT, Ontario Parks, PRCAC

Reasons for Budget Items– Attract tourism

BUDGET SUBMISSIONS - \$8000 First Impressions Community Exchange Program, (FISE), township tours (EDAC & PRCAC), business cards

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN \$35,000

Costed Items Kawartha Chair \$2000, Viewing Platform \$30,000 Gazebo \$30,000 Garden Park \$15,000

Gateway Sign \$10,000

Lynn Holtz – EDAC Flower Baskets – recommendation that all baskets and gardens be included in the Recreation and Facilities Department 2021. Armstrong made motion that report be received and support recommendation. Franzen seconded.

EDAC – Minutes Rec'd

PRCAC – Minutes Rec'd

County Sign By-Law – Oct 1, 2019 – Signs on private property within 400 m of County road allowance

May 2020 – proposed draft Sign By-Law, Continuation of Bush Country Sign Program, Prohibition of temporary posted signs on utility poles, trees, etc., Regulation of signs on private property; Certification of sign structures, Elimination of election signs on County Roads, Referred to lower tier municipalities for comments

New Sign By-law 2020-70

Bush Country signs are Third party advertising sign.

Bush Country Signs Single faced signs on one side of road, 5 year permit cycle for renewal, Grace period until January, 2023 for existing signs, certification of sign structures, new fee structure

Election signs unregulated with 4 draft resolutions prepared to be considered by council.

By-Law 2020-70 considers signs within County road allowances only

Bush Country signs \$500 initial application fee and a \$250 renewal fee per year,.

Motion to receive – Armstrong

Second - Windover

Delegations

Monique Lloyd, Crystal Lake Community Association re Short Term Rentals (Mayor Clarkson recused herself from this presentation.)

CLCA requests that the licensing By-Law proposal be postponed.

Give serious consideration to involving an independent and impartial consultant.

Consider the significant challenges the growing global pandemic provides.

Only 2.2 complaints per year over 4 years. CLCA believes that the licensing idea was on the agenda from the beginning. She does not believe that they compared with similar municipalities. Kawartha Lakes was able to work with the situation without licensing.

Feels the working group focussed on one particular property on one particular lake in Trent Lakes.

REQUEST CLCA requests a more objective, transparent, and thorough investigation of the short term rental situation.

Lambshead moves that report be received for information purposes. Franzen seconds. Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Chelsea Carpenter – formal amendment to the Consultant Service Agreement with Greenview Environmental Mgt for the Dedicated Mechanics Facility. Moved and carried.

Dylan Cosh – 2020-2021 Outdoor Sports Pad Season. With the latest provincial announcement it is Cosh's recommendation that all outdoor rink openings are deferred. Franzen moved that report be received and outdoor rink openings be deferred.

Adele Arbour - Short Term Rental Licensing – Revised Report

Reconvened two more times meeting on Dec. 14 with interested individuals and Dec 18 with municipal solicitor. Major change – Those owners that rent out their property for 21 days or less are exempt from licensing. Recommend that a short term rental licensing by-law be prepared and organize a Public Consultation process regarding the draft licensing by-law. Implementation date be determined by Council at a later date.

Comment by Councillor Franzen. Believes that a public meeting won't be avbl until Sept. He finds some of the conditions quite onerous and need to be reviewed.

Councillor Lambshead believes public meeting is necessary.

Franzen moves that this is deferred until September. Second by Lambshead as long as working group is not dissolved.

Armstrong doesn't believe that working group needs to continue at this time without public consultation.

Motion – STR agreement is deferred until September with working group reestablished at that time involved with public consultation. Motion carried.

Lynn Holtz - Buckhorn Trent-Severn Trail Town Budget Request - \$21,959

-\$2959 for kayak/canoe docks on upper and Lower Buckhorn

-\$6500 for Signage

\$1500 for brochures

\$2500 for Bike Repair Station

\$1500 for Public School Art Mural

Buckhorn Mobile App

Armstrong – of the nine municipalities that are participating we are the only municipality that are participating economically. Concern is that some of the expenses being requested by TrailTown can in fact be covered by provincial funding.

Makes recommendation to receive a report but vet the report at budget discussion meetings that we are not providing funding that can be provided by provincial funding. Lamshead seconded. Motion carried.

Donna Teggart – 2021 Draft Budget with Approved Changes and Additional Requests

Councillor Armstrong moves to defer to the next meeting. Lamshead seconds. Motion approved.

Jessie Clark – applications for purchasing unopened Road Allowances Clark-Vaz - denied on basis of obtaining survey and requiring an encroachment agreement Macgregor – denied as land runs into the water

Brockbank – complete transfer of unopened road allowance – approved. No issue with water.

Correspondence for Information

Armstrong commented on 11.4 which delegates responsibility for tree protection from county to municipality. Trent Lakes council have deferred to staff a tree protection by-law.

Municipal of Highlands East supports Trent Lakes establishment of Community Safety Zone established on 507.

Correspondence for Action

Reduce impacts of Covid on children – Lamshead moved and Clarkson seconded to support.

Received town of Kingsville letter for support of small business.

Twp of Matachewan – grant application deadlines. Lamshead says extensions on our own grant applications would make it easier.

Closed Session

The council came back from closed session and a motion pertaining to the ice pad was introduced. The motion addressed looking into the viability of improving the present Buckhorn ice pad perhaps hiring a consulting firm to do this. Councillor Franzen is to take this motion to the BCC for discussion. Councillor Lamshead is to take this motion to the PRCAC.