

Trent Lakes Council Meeting  
Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Councillor Franzen announced the death of Don LaCombe and his achievements as a former Councillor. The Mayor passed on the condolences of the Municipality to the family.

8.1.

Janette Loveys Smith, CAO and Secretary-Treasurer and Meredith Carter, Manager, Watershed Management Program, Otonabee Region Conservation Authority (ORCA)

**Drinking Water Source Protection Program - Risk Management/Education and Outreach Agreement Renewal**

The Clean Water Act... □Protects municipal residential drinking water sources □Identifies 22 land-based activities that may pose a Threat □Identifies where Threats can occur □Requires local source protection plan policies to manage Threats

The Clean Water Act enables municipalities to delegate their responsibilities for Risk Management and Education and Outreach. In 2016, eight municipalities in the Otonabee-Peterborough Source Area (includes Trent Lakes) entered into fee for service agreements with Otonabee Conservation for the delivery of these activities, resulting in cost-sharing benefits and consistent implementation.

Armstrong – Can you explain the relationship between you, Kawartha Conservation and OCWA?


Answer – Our boundaries don't match up with Kawartha Conservation in places. OCWA's boundaries were established years ago. We work very closely with Kawartha Conservation. I am not familiar with OCWA.( When it was identified she recognized organization.) It would be a private entity as opposed to a government entity. Municipalities have responsibilities within the Clean Water Act and you can provide service a number of ways. You may provide it yourself in house or you can contract with another organization to do it. Conservation authorities are traditionally used. We are not a consultant as a private organization would be.(Answer was thorough. Written here as best I could capture.)

Braybrook – I was asking if we were duplicating any services as what Kawartha Conservation does.

Answer – none of the municipalities would be duplicating. It just depends on where you decide to obtain your services.

Motion: Braybrook - Motion to receive Cadigan – second. All in favour.

9.1. Janet Klein

 Re: Increase to Notice Circulation for Aggregate Planning Applications (Item 10.4.1)

Asking to increase the area of notification regarding quarry development to 2000 m.

Motion – Deputy Mayor Armstrong moves to receive. Cadigan second. Carried

10.4.1.

Adele Arbour, Planner

## **Increase to Notice Circulation for Aggregate Planning Applications**

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Planner regarding increase to Notice Circulation for Aggregate Planning Applications; and further That Council approve the amendments to Appendix A of Policy 5.10 Public Notice for Aggregate Related Planning Act Applications, attached to this report.

Having worked with a number of aggregate applications in Trent Lakes, Planning staff would suggest it appropriate to amend the existing policy to increase circulation requirements of the Planning Act, and recommend the following for Council's consideration: • Direct mail to property owners within 1,000 m of the property boundary of the lands subject to the application; • Direct mail to property owners along a proposed haul route which are municipal roads; • Posted on the subject lands with a minimum 11" by 17" yellow laminated sign; • Published on the Municipality's website; • Published in a local newspaper; and • Use of municipal social media. Notice shall be published, posted and sent at least 30 days in advance of the Council Meeting at which the Public Meeting will occur

Cadigan – do we have authority to extend this?

Adele - We have provision under the Planning act and that was done originally when it was increased to 500 meters.

Braybrook – In a zoning by-law it is only just over 100 meters and then there was a former council that raised it.

We have 35 quarries There is no real requirement. Extending it would be at the expense of applicant. I think we are more sensitive as a municipality. If there is no real requirement as to one or the other and the expense is up to quarry owner, I have no problem with expanding it to the two thousand.

Armstrong – I completely support Braybrook's suggestion. I think we should listen to our resident who supported 2000. Because of other (situations) I think this Council is more sensitive to this. Are private roads or fire routes included in this?

Adele – I was just thinking of Municipal roads.

Lambshead – The cost to a person that is putting in the application won't cost that much as population is not dense. It would be just a few more residents.

Motion by - Franzen – Motion – Put forward the 2000 m notification. Armstrong – Seconds Carried.

10.4.2. Adele Arbour, Planner

### **Development of Shoreline Preservation and Tree Protection Policy**

Recommendation:

That Council receive the report from the Planner regarding the proposed development of a Shoreline Preservation and Tree Protection Policy;  
and further That Council direct staff to prepare a municipal policy regarding the protection and preservation of shoreline areas and tree protection within the Municipality of Trent Lakes along with an implementation strategy; and further

That staff bring forward a draft policy or policies to a future Council meeting by the end of Q12025, for Council's consideration.

Staff recently met with the Environmental Advisory Committee's Shoreline Sub-Committee on October 22, 2024 at the Sub-Committee's request. The Sub-Committee members explained the mandate of this committee, stressed the importance of shoreline education and development of shoreline preservation and protection policies within the Municipality. We also discussed the subcommittee's desire to include a Tree Preservation Policy applicable to the entire Municipality.

The Sub-Committee members were desirous of a policy to distinguish between tree protection within shoreline areas and other general areas within the Municipality. It became apparent that the impact of tree removal close to shorelines was very different from trees further back from the shore. Near the shore, the trees have a very important role in stabilizing the soil and reducing erosion. Their roots intercept groundwater runoff and extract harmful nutrients. These trees are a critical part of the ribbon of life along shorelines and provide shade for other plants, for shore waters and help stabilize the shore slope itself.

The Sub-Committee expressed concern with the current Tree Canopy Policy which only captures tree protection if there is an associated Planning Act application. Policy 4.5 and 4.7 of the Trent Lakes Official Plan, state the following:

#### 4.5 SHORELINE

##### Goal

To preserve and protect the natural environment abutting the extensive shoreline areas of the Township for indigenous fish and wildlife habitat and recreational uses of the Township residents.

#### 4.7 NATURAL RESOURCES

##### Goal

To provide for the optimum use and development of the Township's natural resource base through management based on sound economic, social, environmental and land use planning practices.

There are several objectives associated with both of these goals especially tree canopy protection for 4.7 I didn't copy them all from the agenda. If you are interested the information is provided on the agenda.

Cadigan – I support this but believe there has to be a balance with a person's rights to control their property.

Armstrong – Thank staff because they are vigilante in protecting our shorelines. That is their own initiative. I really support staff in this. It is a delicate balance.

Braybrook – Echoes Councillor Cadigan's comments.

Lamshead – Development needs to be tempered with environmental needs.

Arbour – We will continue to ask for a plan. Owner can appeal if not in agreement.

Armstrong moves that council receives report (see recommendation above) Second by Braybrook. Carried.

10.4.3.

Barbara Waldron, Director of Building and Planning/CBO

**License of Occupation and Procedures Policy**

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from Barbara Waldron, Director of Building and Planning / Chief Building Official regarding Policy 5.34- License of Occupation Policy and Procedures; and further,

That Council direct staff to repeal Policy 5.34, the License of Occupation Policy and Procedures in its entirety; and further That Council direct staff to prepare a by-law for enforcement purposes of encroachments upon Municipally owned lands, to be brought back to Council for approval at a future meeting.

Motion by Cadigan to support recommendation from staff. Armstrong seconds. Carried.

15.1.

Deputy Mayor Armstrong

**Request for a special Council Meeting for Strategic Plans Update**

I, Carol Armstrong , a Member of Council, (name) propose the following to be considered at the November 19, 2024 (date) Regular I meeting of Council: (if additional space is required, please use another page) Whereas there has been considerable investment in developing three comprehensive strategic plans to guide the Municipality in the areas of Open Spaces, Economic Development and Community Priorities; and Whereas the 2022-2026 term of office is halfway through; and Whereas while staff provides a quarterly update on progress against the strategic plans, it is appropriately high level and only indicates the status; and Whereas now is a good time to have a thorough review of implementation progress on these plans to assess status of all planned actions, recognize completions/successes, and identify risks to completion of any actions; and Whereas the Municipality needs to ensure that any risks to completion are addressed and mitigated, Therefore Be It Resolved That Council direct staff to prepare detailed status updates on the Opens Spaces, Economic Development and Community Strategic Plans for review and discussion at a Special Council meeting to be scheduled early in Q1 2025.

Notice of Motion supported.

Councillor Cadigan announced -

Roast beef dinner at Lakehurst Hall, November 30. Sold out.

Christmas Potluck dinner at Cavendish Hall Saturday, December 14 starting at 6 p.m.