

Trent Lakes Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2025

The Agenda for January 14th has now been posted at:

<https://trentlakes.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/122741/?preview=122742>

Topics that may be of general interest include:

8.1.

Brent Martin, Senior Operations Manager and Nick Larson, Director, Business and Asset Management Standards, Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA)
Asset Management Plan for Water Systems

Armstrong – there is reference to a new well at Buckhorn. Is this covered in the report?

Larson – In July 1 we would like to have two scenarios – maintain current performance and achieve desired performance. The second well in the Buckhorn system is a performance improvement option at cost of \$60,000. If not then talk about the risks associated with that as in trucking in water.

What would the rate increase be if we go with new well? Larson- An additional half of a percent was suggestion but needed more figures.

Braybrook motion to receive. Cadigan seconds. All in favour.

8.2.

Mark Majchrowski, Chief Administrative Officer, Kawartha Conservation
Budget Presentation
Asking for an increase of 4.14% from Trent Lakes (\$3119)

There are 36 conservation authorities in Ontario. Councillor Franzen has sat on this committee for ten years and will receive award.

A fee freeze has been in effect for last couple years. May be coming to a point where that is no longer possible.

The Asset Management Plan makes more than 2% difference in funding.

Environmental Monitoring strategy for flood and drought and for flood plain mapping. They are doing flood plain mapping of the middle section of Nogies Creek. This includes Bass Lake. Important for people in the area.

Armstrong - What are your assets?

Administrative building, outbuildings(2) vehicles, scientific equipment a real time GPS, fencing, infrastructure related to information services

Entire overhaul of many aspects to match new budget

Replaced weather station at Ken Reid which makes a connection with flood forecasting and drought

LID demonstration site at Ken Reid used for education activities.

Using small and little drones driven by drone pilots for land inspection

Braybrook – What percentage do you see the fee rising to after freeze is lifted.
Realistically, we need to reevaluate everything. We are moving forward to making sure we are covering full cost of service resources that we see as well what you don't see such as infrastructure management. May be 6%.

Two strategies - re climate change.?

The climate change strategy is focused to our business as upgrades to our administrative building. I.e. taps that don't turn off all the time

Carbon audit is the other change. That would run over two years.

Environmental monitoring strategy putting in real time data automatic water monitor(may have gotten this incorrect)to determine level(?)

Armstrong asked to know how many permits are being issued in Trent Lakes. He will look into that.

Franzen moves to thank for the presentation. Seconds by Cadigan. Carried.

10.2.1.

Dylan Cosh, Director of Recreation and Facilities
Buckhorn Sportspad Committee Requests

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Director of Recreation and Facilities Buckhorn Sportspad Committee Requests; and further
That Council direct staff to inform the Sportspad volunteers that no additional staff support is available for this season;
and further That Council direct staff to expedite training in ice making and maintenance to prepare for the 2025/2026 season;
and further That Council direct staff to bring a report outlining various potential operational models for Council's consideration for future seasons.

Background: The Buckhorn Sportspad, located on Buckhorn Community Centre property at 1782 Lakehurst Road, is an outdoor natural ice facility owned by the Municipality. A summary of the Sportspad's history is included below. The original operational model was that the Sportspad would be maintained by volunteers.

Building maintenance has largely been managed by Municipal staff for approximately 10 years. This maintenance includes preventative maintenance, repairs and modifications to building systems such as HVAC, plumbing, electrical, and building envelope. In more recent years, some operational maintenance has been taken over by Municipal staff as available, such as weekly garbage collection, pad cleaning, sealing for summer sports, waterproofing, dasher board and advertisement repair and replacement.

The Sportspad volunteers have continued to make ice, maintain ice, and manage skating at the rink in the winter months. 1

On January 6th, Municipal staff have received a request from the Sportspad volunteers to assume more maintenance and management of the ice at the Buckhorn Sportspad. A summary of the request is included below.

The full submission is attached as an appendix. Summary of request:

- Assume winter maintenance around the building (not including parking lot) • Complete rink and facility inspection at beginning of day including removal of any garbage and recycling
 - Assume daily flood and ice resurfacing first thing in the morning to prepare the surface for the day's use
 - Complete Zamboni maintenance. Some additional requests received verbally after the formal request include:
 - Assume management of ice rentals
 - Decommission segregated Sportspad website and Facebook page and implement schedule, rules, contact information on Municipal website
 - Municipal staff to become 1st point of contact for sports related comments and questions and rental requests
- In conversation with the volunteers, this request comes as certain key volunteers have decided to move on from their efforts at the Sportspad. The remaining volunteers work full time and are unavailable to do the morning operations that would get the ice surface ready for the day.

Green flag – facility is open

Red flag – facility is closed

In the time that Cosh has been in office it has been wholly done by volunteers. Recommended that Council states that at this time Municipality can't offer any additional support as staff is not up to speed. Cosh has talked to other municipalities as to how to train staff and maintain pad.

Braybrook – appreciate your efforts. I agree with most everything that you have said Want to recognize volunteers that have been there over almost 20 years. When green flag is up it is packed. How many volunteers are currently involved? Cosh doesn't have that information. Fairfield is obtaining that information. Moving forward it is a good idea to have a hybrid model where staff takes some responsibility which I would think would limit volunteers needed.

Armstrong – Are we being a little premature in directing staff to train in making ice and maintenance? If report is back in time then it would be relevant.

Cosh – we still all have regular duties. I believe that staff needs go ahead from Council. We have zero ice making experience. Staff and myself feel that we need to be sufficiently trained to do this correctly. It would probably take a few months to get to a place where we would start.

Cadigan – There is no ice making as mother nature takes control.?

Cosh – looked into it bit. How water is applied is important. Layering versus dumping.

Cadigan – Has been Part of the Cavendish ice making process. Never had a Zamboni

Franzen – large number of volunteers at BCC/. Have they ever been approached? If council gives a go ahead we will need some ideas.

Braybrook – I think it is important that staff are trained. It is municipal property / Staff should be trained so that they could step in at any given moment especially if we have new volunteers come in.

Cosh – Additionally, it is a supervisory necessity. Such as Zamboni. For us to try to mitigate liability through volunteers is a question. Where does this protection come from?

Armstrong – Braybrook makes an excellent point. It is fine to get training to have a minimum of development. I am okay as long as there is no presumption that we could take it over.

Cadigan – Who owns Zamboni

Cosh – The Municipality. It is from the 70's or 80's. We are trying to keep it going.

Lambshhead – Now is the time for training. In three or four months not possible.....

Braybrook – refrigerated ice versus mother nature. It is more hands on when you are dealing with mother nature. Re municipal website – maybe we can post this on the website to get the word out.

Cadigan – maybe there is a retired Zamboni driver.....

Franzen – in the summertime is there much maintenance?

Cosh – Seal the pad after pickleballer's have touched up their lines. Regular building related aspects such as lights.

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10.4.3.

Adele Arbour, Planner

Proposed Red-Line Revision Process to Draft County Official Plan

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Planner regarding the proposed red-line revision process to the draft County Official Plan; and further That Council direct staff to bring back an information report at the conclusion of the consultation process.

On September 6, 2024, the County received a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs asking that the County consider repealing the new County Official Plan and look to revisit the document to align with the new PPS. The County attended a meeting with Minister Calandra and his staff to discuss work on the red-line revisions to County OP through the County Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The County's TAC was initially involved with the drafting of the County Official Plan and was reinstated after the release of the first draft of the PPS.

Franzen – How long will this entire process take? Arbour – Initial report coming to Council in March.

Armstrong – what role does the municipality have in this consultation?

Arbour – We have been involved with the County all along. When the County receives all the comments we will come back together.

Armstrong – Who is the approval body?

Arbour County council will do the actual adoption. Will be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs

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Carried

10.4.4.

Barbara Waldron, Director of Building and Planning/CBO
Indemnification Agreement - Sewage Program

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from Barbara Waldron, Director of Building and Planning / Chief Building Official regarding the Indemnification Agreement between Peterborough Public Health and the Municipality of Trent Lakes;

and further

That Council support entering into an Indemnification Agreement with the Peterborough County / City Health Unit (PPH). Financial Implications: \$6950.00 – to be paid to Trent Lakes for 15 open files

Braybrook – Thanks to Barb. Fill me in on the financial information - \$6950

The open files that are being transferred to us depending on the work done. For some we get 50% and others 30% The fifteen permits equated to the \$6950 that will come to Trent Lakes.

Braybrook moves That Council receive the report from Barbara Waldron, Director of Building and Planning / Chief Building Official regarding the Indemnification Agreement between Peterborough Public Health and the Municipality of Trent Lakes;

Cadigan seconds. Carried.