Trent Lakes Council Meeting Tuesday, May 6, 2025

5.1. Bianca Dragicevic, Deputy Clerk

Re: Environmental Advisory Committee Vacancy

9.2. Lynda O'Meara

Re: Petition for the Installation of Additional Culverts on Island Drive Causeway

Blank Causeway Petition Signed Causeway Petitions

10.5.1. Donna Teggart, CAO/Treasurer Re: GrantMatch Corp. Agreement

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Background: At the April 22nd, 2025, Regular meeting, Council received a presentation from Gibson Ingram from GrantMatch regarding services they provide in finding and applying for available Government funding.

Because the CAO/Treasurer, municipal star of financial guidance, presented this it seems that she is in favor. After her presentation Deputy Mayor Armstrong asks why the Municipality should pay someone else to execute the grant process for grants the Municipality knows about especially large grants. We would be paying larger amounts for the larger grants. "Why pay for those that we know about and think we could do? That is their (GrantMatch) bread and butter."

Councillor Braybrook had similar concerns.

CAO/Treasurer Teggart responded that "due diligence" would be used in what "we would use them for."

Deputy Mayor moved to receive the report and that the CAO/Treasurer use discretion as to when GrantMatch is used.

Motion carried.

10.7.2. Jessie Clark, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

Re: Mid-Term Procedure By-law Update - Council Comments

Mid-Term Procedure By-law Review - Council Comments

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Director of Corporate Services/Clerk regarding Mid-Term Procedure By-law Update – Council Comments; and further That Council support the proposed changes to the Procedure By-law; and further That Council approve the amendment to Schedule A of By-law B2024-003, attached to this report.

Staff had recommended that, while initiated by the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC), the restriction in the annual number of meetings Committee Members were able to participate in electronically could be removed due to environmental considerations, the less formal structure of Committees, and to ensure procedural consistency. A comment was provided that each Committee is different in composition, purpose and work plan and that it should be a consideration for each Committee the need, appropriateness and availability of members to participate in person versus electronically. In response to the comment provided, the provision on electronic attendance has been amended to allow Council the flexibility, when approving the Terms of Reference of Committees, whether to waive the three (3) meeting electronic participation restriction. Section 15.8 now reads: 1 Members shall participate electronically in no more than three (3) Meetings annually without being authorized to do so by resolution, unless otherwise established in the Committee's Terms of Reference.

12.3. Town of Georgina Re: Salt Management

Salt Management

The Town of Georgina unanimously supported a motion brought forward by the Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition and the Ontario Salt Pollution Coalition calling for provincial action on salt pollution.

The April 2 motion asks Ontario to create a framework for the snow and ice management sector that would allow them to stop oversalting, as well as establish a provincial stakeholder advisory committee to recommend how Ontario should manage its salt pollution problem affecting freshwater ecosystems, according to a Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition news release.