



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Committee of the Whole - July 6, 2020

FILLING WARD 2 VACANCY

Council approved the procedure for filling the Ward 2 vacancy by appointment by application. A Notice of vacancy, filing information and application will become available to interested individuals by Wednesday, July 8th, 2020. The deadline for applications is August 5, 2020 and a Special Council meeting will take place on August 17, 2020 to determine the successful Ward 2 applicant. The successful applicant will then be appointed and take Oath of Office at the August 24, 2020 Council meeting. Applicants will be required to provide 25 signatures of endorsement. Further details regarding filling the Ward 2 vacancy will be available on the Township of Ramara website.

OPP UPDATE

The Township of Ramara received an OPP update regarding gun ranges, traffic cameras and general comments. John Pinsent, CAO, reported that he has been in discussion with Inspector Robitaille over gun ranges in Ramara, who has reported that some complaints have been received by the OPP. OPP reported that none of those calls were in violation with the Criminal Code or Provincial Act. It is recommended that residents call the OPP when the shooting is taking place rather than after it has taken place. John Pinsent also reported that an approved gun range goes through a rigorous application process and that the Chief Firearms Officer ensures that all safety measures are in place. Through discussion, Council has asked for Inspector Robitaille to come and speak with Council and to create a bylaw that would help control noise and gun range use in the Township of Ramara.

Next Council meeting is on July 13 at 9:30 a.m.

COUNCIL ACCEPTS PROPOSAL TO OUTSOURCE WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

The Council of the Township of Ramara voted today in support of entering into a contract with the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) for the provision of the Township's water and wastewater services. The transition to OCWA will occur over the next couple of months and will result in savings of approximately \$1.5M over the life of the 5-year contract. The transitioning process will take place over the next couple of months with OCWA assuming operations of the Township's water and wastewater systems by September of this year.

ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY FUND APPLICATION FOR RAMARA CENTRE UPGRADES

Council approved for the Township to put in an application to the Enabling Accessibility Fund to upgrade the Ramara Centre to 2025 accessible standards.

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ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT Z-2/20 - 7816 GRIST MILL RD

Council approved the Zoning Bylaw Amendment to only permit the existing 3-bedroom dwelling, a bed and breakfast establishment and permit the required parking location in the front yard.

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KITESURFING IN RAMARA

Council moved to prohibit kitesurfing from all municipal property within the Township until September 30, 2020. The bylaw to enact this prohibition will be brought forth at the July 13th, 2020 Council meeting.

BEACHES IN RAMARA

Council discussed the overcrowding and garbage issues at the beaches in Ramara. Council has approved to add more bylaw enforcement officers to help control parking and overcrowding issues and for parks crew to pick up garbage more frequently. **Please stay tuned for more information on the status of our public beaches in Ramara.**

RAMARA ROAD 47

Council approved not to revert Ramara Road 47 to a gravel road, to keep the road at its current classification, to reduce the speed to a 60 km/hr zone from Simcoe Road to Stephen Drive and to make it a no truck zone. Council also approved for the reconstruction of RR 47 to be considered for the 2021 budget process.

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