



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Council - November 22, 2021

MAYOR UPDATE

Mayor Clarke opened up the meeting by advising residents that the meeting would be completely virtual due to the inclement weather as opposed to the hybrid style. With this being the first snowstorm of the season, staff want to remind residents to help our snowplow operators clear roads safely and quickly by clearing mailboxes, setting your garbage bins within eight feet of the road allowance but not on the travelled portion of the road, and not pushing or blowing snow onto roadways. Learn more at [ramara.ca/roads](https://www.ramara.ca/roads).

CAO UPDATE

Acting CAO, Zach Drinkwalter, provided an update to Council on the following initiatives:

1. Muskoka Wifi completed their first site visit to their tower locations to initiate the wireless internet project for northern Ramara.
2. Good Doctors have been working with Township staff to set up telemedicine services with onsite nursing support at the Mara Medical Centre starting December 1, 2021. Staff will create a media release and a frequently asked questions (FAQ) document to support this initiative.

The proposed 2022 Budget is now posted for public input. It's time to reach out and join the conversation Ramara and contribute your ideas or questions on the 2022 municipal budget! Learn more at www.ramara.ca/budget.

Committee of the Whole - December 6, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

BRADFORD BYPASS

Council received a letter from the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition and Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition regarding the Province of Ontario's decision to exempt the Bradford Bypass Project from the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA) requirements. Council discussed their concerns regarding this decision and voted to support:

- The Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition correspondence dated November 16, 2021;
- The request for the Federal Impact Assessment;
- The request for a traffic survey, and
- To advise Premier Ford and MPP Dunlop of the Township's position.

CITY OF ORILLIA - SETTLEMENT AREA BOUNDARY EXPANSION

The City of Orillia is in the early stages of completing a Technical Evaluation for a required Settlement Area Boundary Expansion to accommodate their community and employment land growth to 2051. The Province has determined that Orillia does not have sufficient land for growth

within its boundaries; therefore, the City, if required by annexation, to expand its Settlement Area Boundary. The City of Orillia is hosting a virtual kick-off public open house to learn more about this project, share information to inform future work and learn more about the background work that has been completed to date. The public can pre-register at orillia.ca/MCR to register for the virtual open house on Wednesday, December 1st, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT - Z-7/21

Council adopted a Temporary Use Zoning Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw 2005.85 to allow for a garden suite on the property of 5 Stong Court.

SIDEROAD 25 COST ESTIMATE

Council received the memo from the Director of Infrastructure regarding a cost estimate to pave Sideroad 25 from Concession Road 11 to 100 meters north of Concession Road 12. The total length of the work is 1450 meters and would include installing combigrid, adding gravel to shape the road, ditching and paving. The total cost is estimated at \$390,165.20.

2022 BUDGET

Do you have a question or an idea about the 2022 Budget? It's time to reach out and join the conversation and contribute your ideas or ask questions on the 2022 municipal budget! Learn more at www.ramara.ca/budget.



NO OVERNIGHT PARKING



Starting November 15, 2021, on-street parking is prohibited on all Township roads between 12:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. until April 15, 2022, in accordance with By-law No. 2016.56. We ask that Ramara residents please advise overnight guests of this By-law during the winter months.

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