

December, 2017

Ian McLeod—2018 Warden

County Strategic Priorities:

- Preserve & enhance historical, cultural, tourism & recreational features to maintain quality of life
- Plan for economic development
- Inventory of infrastructure
- Greater local government coordination in delivery of services

Upcoming Events:

**Council Meeting -
Jan. 29th, 2018**

**Warden's Curling
Bonspiel—
Feb. 17, 2018
Lancaster Curling
Club**

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Back Row: F. Prevost, C. McDonell, J. MacDonald. Front: Warden McLeod

Ian McLeod was sworn in as Warden of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry for 2018. Ian previously held the position of Warden in 2012.

Councillor McLeod was elected Warden upon motion of Frank Prevost, Township of South Glengarry, seconded by Jamie MacDonald, Township of North Glengarry. Chris McDonell, Township of North Glengarry read the significance of the Chain of Office.

Presentations

Council recognized SDG employee, Carolyn MacCulloch, on receiving the Payroll Compliance Practitioner Certificate.

The City of Cornwall presented budgets for 2018 for Glen Stor Dun Lodge, Paramedic Services and Social and Housing Services. Information was also provided on the Cornwall Regional Airport Study.

Presentations were also received on Habitat for Humanity and The Vibrant Community Roundtable Project.

2018 Budget Approved

Council approved the County Budget requiring the amount of \$46,442,500 as the general upper-tier levy for the year 2018.

FCM Funding Application

Council authorized application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to complete data collection for buildings and asset management/capital planning software and committed \$50,000 from the 2018 budget as the County's contribution towards this initiative.

2017 Reserve Transactions

Council approved reserve transactions including:

- Health and Safety,
- Asset Management,
- Library Ontario Capacity funding,
- Morrow Municipal Drain reserve to be renamed Maxville Reserve,
- Bridges reserve,
- Finch Generator Reserve be combined with Road Capital Projects Reserve,
- Waste Management,
- any general surplus as at Dec.31, 2017 be allocated to Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve.

Council News

Bill 148 Impacts

Council authorized any necessary deviations from established policies and procedures pertaining to non-union and unionized staff benefits or other entitlements, in order to comply with the requirements of Bill 148, that comes into effect January 1, 2018.

Requests for Proposals

Council directed staff to issue Requests for Proposals for corporate banking services and external audit services.

Summerstown Forest

Council authorized staff to use the surplus funds associated with the Summerstown Forest parking lot construction to install an electrical service into the property.

MTO Closures

Council authorized staff to forward letter to the Ministry of Transportation indicating the County is not in support of a long term road closure on SDG 36 at the 401 overpass.

Tenders

Occupational Accident Insurance (\$5,655) and Excess Workers' Compensation Indemnity Policy (\$31,438) - Chubb Insurance Co.

Road Needs Study—4Roads Management Services - \$44,888.20

Rehabilitation of Mountain Bridge—\$534,525.—Willis Kerr Contracting

Two wheeled loaders—\$440,994.—J.R. Brisson Equipment Ltd.

By-laws

By-Law No. 5133—adopt Joint Health and Safety Guidelines and Health and Safety Policy and Procedures Manual for 2018

By-law No. 5134 —adopt Amendment No. 34 to the County Official Plan

By-law No. 5135—to authorize purchase of land

By-Law No. 5136—to adopt, confirm and ratify

Official Plan Draft Response

Council supported “Draft Decision Response” relating to the draft decision from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on the County Official Plan.

Forest Names

Council approved names and sign design for selected County forest properties.

Key Information

Information was provided on Warden's designates on certain committees, Council meetings for 2018 and an update on the SDG Explorer.

Members of Council and Staff would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!