



## **Council Meeting Highlights: September 15, 2021**

Next Council Meeting: October 6, 2021

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This summary is not a full representation of the meeting.

For the official record, please refer to the minutes in the next Council Agenda.

Past Council Meetings are available for viewing on the Township's Youtube channel.

### **Public Meeting – Willow Creek Baptist Church**

A Public Meeting was held regarding a Zoning By-law Amendment for the lands at 2387 Gill Road (home to Willow Creek Baptist Church). The proposed amendment would facilitate an expansion to the existing church by permitting an increased maximum lot coverage of 15%. The expansion is proposed to incorporate a gymnasium, kitchen, washrooms and meeting room within the church facility. Following the public meeting, the application was referred to staff for a further report.

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### **Plans to Develop a Long-Term Care Seniors' Campus – 727 Bayfield Street**

Acting for the Remington Group, planner Barry Morrison presented a delegation to Council regarding the company's plans for its 47-acre property at 727 Bayfield Street. Pursuant to the required approvals and in the next 8 to 10 years, the Remington Group is prepared to initiate the development of a comprehensive seniors' campus including long-term care and hospice services. The proposed development would require an exemption to the "Green Belt" buffer area policies of the Township's Official Plan. Following the presentation, Council reiterated the need for a broad spectrum of care services in Springwater and expressed their support for the project.

### **Integrity Commissioner Report Outcome – Mayor Allen Code of Conduct Complaints**

In a report to Council, the Integrity Commissioner Harold Elston cleared Mayor Allen of the three Code of Conduct complaints made against him following an incident at the 2019 Warden's Golf Tournament. Mr. Elston was retained by Council, in November 2020, to re-investigate the complaints and original inquiry into the matter, which lacked a clear determination of whether the Code of Conduct was breached.

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### **Award for Service Delivery Review**

Council awarded the Service Delivery Review contract to Customer Service Professionals Network Inc. in the amount of \$39,750 plus HST. The project will involve examining recommendations #2 and #5 of the previous Service Delivery Review to assist the Township in defining and implementing Service Level Standards and Key Performance Indicators. Grant funding received through the Municipal Modernization Program will cover the cost of the project.

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### **Proposed Changes to OPP Detachment Board for Huronia West**

Council approved a change to the OPP Detachment Board for Huronia West following a

request by the Ministry of the Solicitor General to reduce the number of provincial appointees from three to two. Together with staff and community appointees from each of the municipalities served by the Huronia West Detachment, the Board is now proposed to comprise eleven members overall. The municipalities of Wasaga Beach and Clearview must also provide their consent to the changes before the Board is finalized.

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## **Community Hub Phase 2 Development**

Phase 2 development of the Community Hub to be located at the 1132 Snow Valley Road (Hasty Tract) property can move forward following Council's approval. Planned amenities for the Community Hub include the relocation of Fire Station 2, a new recreation complex, library and creative services, meeting and active space, active and passive recreation opportunities, as well as the potential for an Emergency Medical Services post in partnership with the County of Simcoe. Phase 2 will involve drafting and releasing a Request for Proposal for the preparation of a comprehensive Master Plan for the Community Hub. The successful proponent will be responsible for public consultation, preparing a long-term concept plan for the property, site servicing, cost projections and design criteria for future facility development.

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## **Stonemanor Phase 2 Park Construction**

Rutherford Contracting Ltd. has been awarded the tender for the Stonemanor Woods Phase 2 Park construction in the amount of \$593,627.19 including HST recoveries. The work includes fine grading of the park as well as supply and installation of all park features, including a junior and senior play structure and playground area, an open passive recreational sports field space, multi-purpose sports courts, a shade structure, a walking trail and native plantings. Construction will commence in 2021 and conclude in the summer of 2022.

## **Naming of the Elmvale & District Food Bank Building**

Council passed a motion to name the Elmvale & District Food Bank building after local businessperson and Lion's Club member Michael Stone. Mr. Stone was instrumental in the founding of the Food Bank in the 1970s and has been a constant community advocate for it ever since. He became Chair of the Board of Directors when the Food Bank incorporated in 2016 and signed the lease with the Township for the new building at 62 Yonge Street North. Mr. Stone has recently stepped down from the Board after more than 40 years of service. To honour his commitment to the community, the new building will be named the "Michael Stone Building".