

Heard a presentation from Shirley Davidson regarding concerns about electronic ballot voting.

Heard a presentation from Bob Sutton regarding democracy and citizen engagement.

Heard a presentation from Bill Chafe, Sarnia Legion Branch 62, and agreed to the use of Sarnia Arena for Remembrance Day, Sunday, November 11, 2018, at no cost.

- The Sarnia Legion Branch 62 proposes to hold an indoor Remembrance Day service in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the conclusion of World War I and the original Armistice Day, as well as an outdoor service at Veteran's Park.

Approved the Off Leash Dog Park Pilot Project as a permanent amenity in Germain Park.

- \$8,000 from Council-approved Parks and Recreation capital spending will be spent on improvements related to seating and accessibility at the site in 2018.

Authorized the Mayor and Clerk to execute a funding agreement with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for the Main Street Revitalization Initiative for the following projects:

- Promotion of the Mitton Village Façade Improvement Program - \$10,000 (2018-2019); and
- Signage Replacement and improved accessible entrance to the Sarnia Arena - \$80,000 (2018-2019).

Did not approve an exemption to the Sign By-Law to permit the placement of election signs on grass boulevards adjacent to City of Sarnia public roadways from May 1st to October 31st, 2018.

Approved the Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes Policy, which establishes rules and procedures for the use of municipal resources during 2018 municipal election. The new policy will be posted at <http://www.sarnia.ca/city-government/elections/>.

Adopted the Terms of Reference for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Working Group.

Recognized Communities in Bloom as a Committee of Council and appointed the current members to the Committee effective until December 1, 2020.

- Communities in Bloom recognizes municipalities for environmental responsibility and beautification through provincial, national, and international competitions. Council endorsed Sarnia's participation in 2006. Sarnia entered the contest for the first time in 2006 and received the highest award possible for its population category.

Granted final approval to Phase 3 of the Beaches of Bright's Grove Draft Plan of Subdivision and authorized the execution of a Subdivision Agreement which comprises of 16 single detached dwellings on Sandpiper Drive.

Accepted the tender submitted by Henry Heyink Construction Ltd. for \$2,803,056 (including non-rebateable HST), for the required sewer separation and related work for Emma, John and Mary streets. This work is funded from the budget approved capital work for the Talfourd, Devine and side streets sewer separation.

Accepted the proposal by Yogurtz in the amount of \$17,203 (including non-rebateable HST) payable to the City, for a three year license to operate a food truck concession service at Canatara Park Animal Farm.

Approved spending \$9,600 from the Capital Reserve for a replacement of an air-conditioning unit and supplementary heating system for Fire Station 1 (240 East Street). The existing air conditioning unit failed in September 2017.

Approved an amendment to the Traffic and Parking By-Law to include stop signs on St. Andrew Street at the CN Rail Crossing which will allow enforcement to resume. New signs will be placed on both sides of the street to ensure visibility.

Accepted the proposal of \$88,579 (including non-rebateable HST) submitted by Stantec Consulting, for consulting services for Development Area 2 water, waste water, transportation and storm water servicing. Development Area 2 is located in the southeast corner of the City (generally bounded by Modeland, Confederation, Blackwell, and London Line).

- The study will determine what infrastructure is required to service future growth.

Accepted the proposal of \$468,096 (including non-rebateable HST) submitted by Trojan Technologies, for equipment for the UV system upgrade at the Water Pollution Control Centre (WPCC). The new equipment is expected to render significant power savings (75%) relative to the existing UV equipment installed in 2000.

Authorized an agreement with the Ministry of Seniors Affairs, granting the City \$99,800 to assist in the implementation of Sarnia's Age-Friendly Action Plan.

Directed staff to request a report from Lambton Kent District School Board regarding the security of the SCITS building upon its closure.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held May 7, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

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