

- g) Legion Field – The Eganville Horticultural Society had their end of year plant sale at Legion Field. Farmers market is continuing, and the Taste of the Valley event was a great success;
- h) Splash Pad will be shut down for the season at the end of September;
- i) There were over one hundred cyclists in this year's Tour De Bonnechere;
- j) Curling Club Accessibility Renovations – Interior demolition has begun;
- k) The stumps that were in Cormac Park have now been removed;
- l) BV Newsletter - The September/October edition of the BV newsletter was completed and mailed out. Staff are compiling information for the November/December edition of the BV Newsletter for mail out for November 1, 2022;
- m) Staff participated in a meeting of the Eganville & Area Community Development Group on September 7, 2022. The next meeting of the group will be on October 5, 2022;
- n) Music in the Park - Great intake this summer for the Music in the Park events and staff hope that it will be even better in 2023;
- o) Santa Claus Parade will take place on Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 1 pm starting from the Arena. The tree lighting and the lights on the bridge will take place on Friday December 2, 2022. Committee recommends staff reach out to Pikwakanagan and Base Petawawa to invite them to the parade;
- p) The staff Christmas Dinner is scheduled for Saturday December 3rd. Staff are currently getting quotes for a catered dinner and will bring back to Committee;
- q) The Bonnechere Youth Action Committee is hosting a Scavenger Hunt Saturday September 24th in Centennial Park from 1pm to 3pm.

Recreation, Community Development and Planning Report Received.

Building & By-Law

Darryl Wagner, CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer was present and gave his report.

- a) From October 2 to 6, 2022 Darryl Wagner will be attending the Annual Meeting Technical Sessions (AMTS) in Hamilton. CBOs from across the province gather for the workshops, trade show and networking. It will be the first in person conference in three years;
- b) Multiple Provincial Offence notices were issued to a property owner with regards to yard standards. This individual has been given ample time to comply, but ignored the deadlines. Subsequent notices may be required, Darryl will continue to monitor the property and will proceed accordingly;
- c) Received one call regarding multiple dogs at the Legion Field. Darryl spent one morning and evening at the field. He advised the dog owners that there is a dog park located on John Street. It was in the Township's latest newsletter that dogs are prohibited on Legion Field. A bigger by law presence may be required and repeat offenders will be ticketed. Committee recommends that additional signage be posted; and
- d) There have been no parking issues lately.

Building Report Received.

Administration & Finance

Annette Gilchrist, CAO, was present and gave her report.

- a) The August Financial Reports were provided to Committee;
- b) Annette is presenting at the Municipal Finance Officers Association Conference September 22nd and 23rd in Blue Mountains;
- c) Annette is meeting with the owners of Opeongo Mountain Resort on Wednesday September 21st and she will report back to Council in October;
- d) The Tranquility Bay property owners are working with Jason Zohr and the ATV and Snowmobile Clubs on plans for a trail. We also reached out to the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan who are working with us and all parties to improve access and recreation trails in the area;
- e) Truth and Reconciliation Day is September 30th. The Township will be closed the same as last year and we welcome the official opening of our Truth and Reconciliation Garden on October 1st;
- f) The Curling Club Accessibility Renovations and Sand Shed construction at Spring Creek are well underway. Annette thanked staff members Kevin McGrath and Jason Zohr who are managing these projects;

- g) On September 12th, 2022 Council met to discuss the possible offer to lease land adjacent to Fourth Chute Road from Multistream. The Township has contacted Multistream to request a meeting to discuss the details of a lease. The Township continues to work with all parties to resolve the parking and access issues at this location;
- h) The Ivy Vehicle Charging Stations Presentation is being brought forward from the September 6th meeting. The cost is approximately \$340 per month and in speaking with similar municipalities in Eastern Ontario the revenue earned is approximately \$140 per month currently. With two provincial highways travelling through Eganville with an aggregate average daily traffic count of 6,800 and 3% of these being electronic vehicles in the province of Ontario. This could result in 204 vehicles looking for a place to charge. If two vehicles need a charge of 7.2kw at a cost of \$0.25 per kw this would result in a possible charge of \$367.20. By 2026 the province is predicting 15% of the cars on the road will be electronic vehicles. This would result in a possible charge of \$1,836.00. We would also be placed on a charging station app promoting Bonnechere Valley. Committee recommends that this item to be moved to the 2023 budget deliberations for further consideration;
- i) Queen Elizabeth II, the UK's longest-serving monarch, died at Balmoral at the age of 96, after reigning for 70 years. The Federal Government designated Monday September 19th as The National Day of Mourning as an opportunity for Canadians from coast to coast to coast to commemorate Her Majesty. Staff observed a moment of reflection at 1pm, as recommended by the Premier;
- j) Animal Shelter - Following the proposal presented on September 6th from our current Animal Control Officer to take over management and operations of the facility. We are now in negotiations to determine if she is able to continue the operations of this facility in Bonnechere Valley. Council has agreed to postpone the closure until November 1st, 2022 to allow time for these negotiations;
- k) The agreement for the maintenance of the Connecting Link was provided to Committee for review. If no amendments are needed it will be brought to Council on October 4th to be passed by By-Law;
- l) Employee Monitoring – With Bill 88 – Ontario's Working for Workers Act, 2022 the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development updated its online guide to the *Employment Standards Act, 2000* to include a chapter on written policy on electronic monitoring of employees. Employers with 25 or more employees as of January 1, 2022 have until October 11, 2022 to have a written policy on electronic monitoring of employees in place. With our GPS units we will require a policy and I have attached a draft one for consideration. Committee approves the draft policy but recommended that all staff be informed of the upcoming policy in advance. A by-law will be brought forward to Council on October 4th;
- m) Water Meters - The Township of Bonnechere Valley is replacing its water meters in October 2022. The Township has contracted Neptune Technology Group to handle the replacement program. The upgraded water meters have many benefits including: communicating possible leaks sooner and sending fewer estimated bills. Residents will get a pamphlet when the meters are scheduled to be replaced. Residents will need to make an appointment with Neptune Technology Group using the reference number on the pamphlet. The work will take 30 minutes;
- n) The County of Renfrew Planning Department presented some options for Council to consider regarding RV zoning in the Township. Rather than update RV provisions for the rest of the Township and leave Lake Clear under the current zoning, Council decided to postpone all RV provisions until they could consider them across the Township as a whole. The RV provisions remain the same as those outlined in the 2006 zoning by-law. Council's intention has always been to review and approve the County of Renfrew's recommendations as presented or amended. The concern is that if passed without the science to defend them these policies would be appealed and challenged at the Provincial Land Tribunals at a huge cost to the Township.

The Township allocated \$25,000 for the zoning by-law review in 2022 and when we received funding for this initiative we reallocated the \$25,000 to hiring consultants to assist us in gathering the environmental data and developing best practices and policy that could be easily defended if challenged. The cost was more than anticipated and an additional \$38,000 was required. Council allocated surplus from 2021 to this initiative to cover the extra cost in hopes of avoiding even larger legal costs from appeals to policies created without an impact study to back them up.

Council does not intend to change the at capacity designation of Lake Clear. The study is going to maintain that designation and determine what best practices and planning policy should apply. An Official Plan Amendment will be required if RVs are to be permitted. The zoning provisions will be based on the study and will be reviewed at the same time as the overall RV provisions originally provided by County of Renfrew Planning Staff. Public meetings and open houses will be part of this process as required under the Planning Act.

The Impact Study on Lake Clear has commenced using some information from 2006 to start and an update is to be developed. In 2006 there were 423 properties, 78 permanent and 253 seasonal and 89 vacant. There were 4 tourist establishments and 5 conservation, beach or access areas. And 20% of the shoreline is owned by the Crown. There were 275 septic beds and 8 holding tanks. This study will give us up to date information and allow the Township to develop appropriate policies and provisions for RVs on Lake Clear at the same time as we are reviewing the RV policies across the rest of the Township;

- o) Military Exercise - The Canadian Armed Forces were planning to conduct an exercise in Foymount from Thursday October 13 to Sunday October 16 for a total of 4 days/3 nights. Unfortunately, they have had to cancel the exercise, they thanked the Township for our time and support and will reach out should an opportunity become available in the future;
- p) Environmental Activity and Sector Registry - As of November 18th, 2022 the Township needs to make an application to the Ministry of Environment and register our waste vehicles. Staff are working with Cambium to ensure this is processed in time. Committee requested, through Annette, that Jason Zohr Works Superintendent bring back information on our waste sites remaining life to Committee for the next meeting;
- q) Flood Hazard Mapping - Natural Resources Canada (NRCAN) launched the Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program (FHIMP) to flow federal funding, up to 50% reimbursement for eligible activities, to provinces and territories for eligible flood mapping projects through March 2024. The province of Ontario has existing light detection and ranging (LIDAR) data for a portion of Renfrew County from the 2017 and 2019 floods that can be utilized to create flood hazard identification and mapping. County staff has organized multiple meetings with the local municipalities that are within the LIDAR data area and a number of these municipalities support the County submitting a group application. The application submission date was September 16, 2022. A report will come forward should the County be successful as the flood mapping covers the Bonnechere River and other water bodies in the Township. Should flooding ever occur again this will assist us in identifying areas at risk and also funding applications for disaster recovery. The project, if approved, is not scheduled until 2023-2024, this will allow for all participating municipalities to know the exact upset limit of their portion of the assignment in advance of budget deliberations;
- r) Master Transportation Plan - this is not a budgeted item, the County is issuing the Transportation Master Plan RFP before the end of September and plan to have it open for approximately six weeks. Following closing, the County will circulate the submissions and evaluation spreadsheet to all and will circulate our own evaluation spreadsheet once evaluations are completed as well. Award of the contract is not scheduled until March of 2023, this will allow for all Participating Municipalities to know the exact upset limit of their portion of the assignment in advance of budget deliberations and any may pull out should budget not be approved for their own Master Plan, without penalty to them or the other Participating Municipalities;

- s) Tourism Strategy - We met with local business owners, tourism providers and other interested parties on September 19th and 20th to discuss how best to support Tourism and an Event Strategy in Bonnechere Valley. This is a very opportune time to review this determine how best to support new initiatives or revive old initiatives after the pandemic;
 - t) Pathway to Zero – Kevin McGrath and Annette Gilchrist are working with Enerlife and Cimco to determine where we can reduce greenhouse gases and operating costs at the Arena and Curling Club. We received Federal Funding for these projects which will allow us to apply for capital funding once completed; and
 - u) Election - The Accessibility Plan, Policy and Procedures for the 2022 Election have been posted to the Township website. The election staff and supplies have also been coordinated for election day.
- Admin and Financial Report Received.*

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

- (i) County of Renfrew – County Council Summary August 2022
- (ii) AMO Communications Sept 15 2022
- (iii) Thank you from Bonnechere Museum

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Town of Wasaga Beach – Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act
- (ii) Town of Kingsville – Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act
- (iii) Township of Greater Madawaska – Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act
- (iv) Renfrew County Regional Science & Technology Fair – Donation Request
- (v) Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh – Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program
- (vi) Municipality of Brighton – Change to Healthcare Connect System – Canadian Forces Member

(C) Correspondence "C"

- Bi) Committee recommends support of the Wasaga Beach resolution in opposition of the changes in the Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act. It will be brought back to the next meeting of Council for approval.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1)** Library Board Update – Brent Patrick updated the committee on the business of the library. BUPL Rocks event is back and scheduled for Saturday November 12, 2022;
- (2)** Ivy Charging Station – Committee discussed and recommends that this item to be moved to the 2023 budget deliberations for further deliberation.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 4, 2022 at 3:00 pm

MEDIA SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY Tim Schison

THAT: Committee proceed in Closed Session in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25, section 239.2 to deal with a matter as indicated below:

- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Carried

