



MUNICIPALITY OF West Elgin

Council Highlights

March 23, 2023 Council Meeting

Video Link: https://youtu.be/QT_ZkInSmeE

- Council held a moment of silence to honour the passing of Mayor Duncan McPhail.
- Council received a delegation from Inspector Mark Loucas, Detachment Commander for Elgin County on the Elgin County OPP Annual Report and Chair David Jenkins and Secretary, Carolyn Krahn from the Elgin Group Police Services Board to provide an update on policing in Elgin County in 2022.
- Council received a delegation from Eleonore Schneider and Keith Taylor from ONE Investing on Investing Municipal Funds.
- Council proceeded into a Committee of Adjustment meeting granting Minor Variance for application D-12 1-2023, 22202 Douglas Line. Committee of Adjustment granted the relief for the required lot frontage on both the retained and severed parcels.
- Council granted pre-budget approval of \$213,750 plus applicable taxes for the supply and application of dust suppressant as submitted by Eastern Oilfield Services Ltd.
- Council granted pre-budget approval of \$323,700 plus applicable taxes for the supply and application of maintenance gravel as submitted by Johnston Brothers Ltd.
- Council received staff reports the Clerk, regarding Vacancy of the Office of Mayor and Options for Filling a Vacancy on Council. Council officially declared the Office of Mayor Vacant as of March 23, 2023. Council now has 60 days to either appoint a person to fill this vacancy or pass a by-law to call a by-election.
- Council received the results from the Council Meeting Start Time Survey and directed staff to report back on options, once the configuration of Council has been settled.
- Council approved the proposal from Jennifer Kirkham, Mischievous Cat Productions in the amount of \$21,500 plus applicable taxes and chose Option 2, including a vision/mission statement and to proceed with the Strategic Plan.

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- Council approved undertaking a pay equity and compensation review at a cost of \$25,200 plus applicable taxes and expenses as presented by ML Consulting.
- Council directed CAO to initiate an Organizational Review, that shall include reviews of workplace environment, recruitment and retention processes.
- Council approved a grant of up to \$150,000 towards the upgrades to the West Lorne Arena, when West Lorne is named the Winner of Kraft Hockeyville, 2023.

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