

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council Meeting – April 4, 2018

Traffic study planned for Line 9 and Sideroad 10

Council approved the Traffic Committee's recommendation that \$7,000 be allotted for a functional traffic study from 3171 Line 9 to the intersection of Line 9 and Sideroad 10, and approximately 500 meters west and south of the intersection. This is the corner where the new Henderson Memorial Park is located.

Statutory Public Meeting

The *Planning Act* requires the Town to hold a Public Information Meeting to consider any application for amendments to the Official Plan or Zoning By-laws and Plans of Subdivision. The purpose of the meeting is introduce the proposal to the public, share information, invite questions and seek feedback.

During these meetings, Town staff and/or the applicant present the proposal. Council has the opportunity to ask questions of planning staff, the applicant or their representative, but does not make any decisions. The public can write in or attend the meeting to ask questions. At a later date, once a comprehensive review has taken place and public comment has been received, staff report to Council with a recommendation.

At the April 3 Council meeting a Public Meeting was held regarding applications for Draft Plan of Subdivision Approval and Zoning By-law Amendment submitted by Mod-Aire Homes Limited. The subject lands are located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Line 6 and Langford Blvd. and are currently vacant. The proposed development constitutes Phase 5 of the Westbrook subdivision and would contain 94 detached dwellings and two public streets.

If any member of the public would like to share a comment or receive notice of future council meetings where these applications will be considered, please send an email to: planninginfo@townofbwg.com

Council approved all Committee of the Whole decisions from March 20, 2018.

Committee of the Whole

Please note that decisions made in Committee of the Whole (CoW) are not final until approved at a subsequent Regular Council meeting.

Economic Development Marketing Strategy ready to introduce BWG to the world

The Town's Office of Economic Development received a Simcoe County Transitional Funding Program grant to assist in the advancement of local economic development initiatives. This money was invested in creating a multi-year Economic Development Marketing Strategy designed to help promote the Town of BWG as a great place to do business. The official launch of the marketing campaign (including website, new collateral and branding) is anticipated for September 2018.

Great Gulf Homes moving forward with Phase 7B

The Committee of the Whole supported a request for subdivision agreement and hold removal from Sandstorm Development Inc. These lands are contained within Phase 7B of the Great Gulf Homes development, which is to be made up of 71 detached dwellings fronting onto Wandering Glider Trail and Citrine Drive.

Amendments clarify by-law on replacing driveway aprons

The COW approved amendments to the Driveway and Entrance Width Extension By-Law to clarify that if the Town has to dig up a resident's driveway apron (such as during road reconstruction) it will be restored to its previous width using "like-for-like" materials at no extra cost to the homeowner, even if the homeowner had installed premium/decorative materials.

Sign by-law amended in preparation for municipal election

The Town's sign by-law is being amended in light of changes in Provincial laws affecting municipal elections. The by-law amendments will help ensure that the public is not inundated with elections signs and that the placement of signs does not impede public safety. They address election signs on vehicles, signs displayed at campaign offices, the number of election signs permitted per candidate per lot, as well as prohibiting the display of election signs prior to the Tuesday following Labour Day in the year of a regular municipal election.

Announcements:

- Saturday, April 7, 12:00-3:00pm: April Pools Day**
 – *BWG Leisure Centre (471 West Park Ave.)*
 Learn about drowning prevention strategies, self-help skills and rescue techniques.
12:00-1:15pm – visit booths for BWG Fire & Emergency Services, Police, Paramedics, Lifeguards and Bradford Lions
1:15-3:00pm – FREE Leisure Swim sponsored by Bradford Lions
- Sunday, April 8, 12:30pm: Animal Sanctuary Tours**
 – *Wishing Well Animal Sanctuary (2710 Line 10)*
 Sanctuary tours resume for the season, running on the second Sunday and last Saturday of each month. Meet and interact with the Wishing Well family of rescued former farm animals. www.wishingwellsanctuary.org
- Monday, April 9, 7:00pm: Nature Conservancy of Canada**
 – *BWG Library & Cultural Centre (425 Holland St. W)*
 The Nature Conservancy of Canada is Canada's leading national land conservation organization. Join Kristyn Ferguson to learn more about NCC and their local project in the Oak Ridges Moraine - the Happy Valley Forest.
- Tuesday, April 10, 4:00-6:00pm, 7:00-9:00pm: Official Plan Open Houses**
 – *BWG Library & Cultural Centre (425 Holland St. W)*
 Find out more about the Draft Official Plan and participate in a facilitated discussion. Visit www.townofbwg.com/PlanBWG to review the documents in advance and learn more about the process.
- Thursday, April 12, 10:00-11:30am: CHATS Presents Brain Health**
 – *Danube Seniors Leisure Centre (715 Simcoe Rd.)*
 FREE information session on Brain Health including benefits of good brain health, the five areas of a brain-healthy lifestyle and brain exercises that boost memory. Light lunch provided. To register: lind@chats.on.ca
- Saturday, April 21, 9:00am-12:00pm: Community Clean-up Day**
 – *Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre (125 Simcoe Rd.)*
 Volunteers are asked to meet at the Community Centre to be bussed to selected areas for clean-up, then back for a thank-you lunch. May be used towards high school volunteer hours. No pre-registration required.
- Saturday, April 28, 9:00am-4:00pm: Bradford Home & Lifestyle Show**
 – *Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre (125 Simcoe Rd.)*
 Vendors include locals businesses and services, with food, activities, contests and more. Admission is free – please bring a donation to the Bradford Helping Hand Food Bank. www.bradfordboardoftrade.com

For the complete Town of BWG Community Events Calendar, go to:

www.townofbwg.com/events