

## **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

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### **Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council Meeting – May 2, 2017**

#### **Improvements to Auld Kirk will allow the public to step inside**

Five thousand dollars from the Strategic Initiatives Reserve will be put towards restoring the plaster ceiling inside the Auld Kirk in a period-appropriate style. At this time, the Kirk is not open to the public because of the plastering issues, so this work would allow the church to be opened for public viewing. Council also thanked the BWG Historical Society for contributing to the restoration of the Kirk.

#### **Facelift, new business in the works for 72/74 Holland St. E**

A grant from the Downtown Community Improvement Plan for \$67,630.25 has been approved for the property at 72/74 Holland St. E. The two-storey building dates back to 1870, and for many decades has served as rental apartments. The owners plan a complete interior and exterior renovation that includes conversion of the ground floor apartments into a commercial pharmacy and merging the upper apartment spaces into a single rental space suitable for a family.

#### **Municipalities seek County funding for transit**

Council agreed to support the Town of Innisfil's application to the County of Simcoe for funding to support their ridesharing transit service, and further requested that any such funding be made available to all municipal transit systems in the County.

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***Council approved all Committee of the Whole decisions from April 18, 2017.***  
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#### **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.*

#### **New program assists low income seniors in BWG**

The Committee of the Whole approved a program that would rebate property tax penalties and interest for qualifying seniors. Seniors will be able to apply by March 31 for a rebate to the property tax penalties and interest that they paid in the preceding year. In order to qualify, applicants must receive an Old Age Security Guaranteed Income Supplement and they must occupy the property as their principal residence. Complete details of the program and an application form will be available by the end of June on the Town's website at [www.townofbwg.com/taxes](http://www.townofbwg.com/taxes).

## Announcements:

- **Saturday, May 6, 8:00am-4:00pm: Bond Head Lions E-Waste Collection**  
– *Bond Head Community Hall (2892 Simcoe County Rd. 27)*  
Accepting unwanted computers, peripherals, TVs, A/V components, cell phones, cameras, etc.
- **Friday, May 5, 4:00-7:30pm; Saturday & Sunday, 9:00am-2:00pm: Sir William Osler School Metal Drive**  
– *Sir William Osler Public School (3823 County Rd. 88)*  
Accepting unwanted metal - NO electronics, freezers, fridges.
- **Saturday, May 6, 11:00am: Dutch Liberation Day Flag Raising**  
– *BWG Courthouse (3823 County Rd. 88)*  
The annual flag raising will be followed by refreshments at Dutch Treats.
- **Sunday, May 7, 9:00am: Bradford Lions Walk for Mobyss**  
– *starts at BWG Public Library & Cultural Centre (425 Holland St. W)*  
Support the Mobyss mobile youth walk-in clinic; contact [roddie3417@rogers.com](mailto:roddie3417@rogers.com)
- **Wednesday, May 10: Walk 'n' Wheel Wednesday**  
– *9 schools throughout BWG*  
The Active Transportation and Recreation Committee encourage human-powered ways to get to school.
- **Saturday, May 13, 8:00am-11:00pm: Run for BWG**  
– *starts at BWG Leisure Centre (471 West Park Ave.)*  
Register at - [raceroster.com/events/2017/9564/run-for-bradford-bwg](http://raceroster.com/events/2017/9564/run-for-bradford-bwg)
- **Saturday, May 13, 9:00am-12:00pm: Bond Head/Bradford Garden Club Plant & Bake Sale**  
– *Bond Head Community Hall (2892 Simcoe County Rd. 27)*  
Great selection of annuals and perennials, flowering baskets and baking.
- **Saturday, May 13, 1:00-3:00pm: Police Week Open House**  
– *South Simcoe Police South Division (81 Melbourne Dr.)*  
Meet the Canine, Motorcycle and new Mounted Units, cruisers, officers and more!
- **Sunday, May 14, 1:00-4:00pm: Community Tree Planting**  
– *meet at Bradford Home Depot parking lot (470 Holland St. W)*  
Planting along Fraser Creek by Home Depot. To sign up contact [silvia@nottawasaga.com](mailto:silvia@nottawasaga.com)
- **Saturday, May 20, 8:00am-3:00pm: 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Marsh Mash**  
– *meet at Springdale Christian Reformed Church (1466 Rupke Rd.)*  
Visit [www.marshmash.ca](http://www.marshmash.ca) for race classes, distances and how to register.

For the complete Town of BWG Community Events Calendar, go to:  
[www.townofbwg.com/events](http://www.townofbwg.com/events)

Full minutes and agendas are available at: [bradfordwestgwillimbury.civicweb.net](http://bradfordwestgwillimbury.civicweb.net)