

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council Meeting – August 22, 2017

Town's application for \$1.8M in grants successful

The Town will receive almost \$1.8 million in grants from the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund. The fund is made up of both federal and provincial money, and is intended to improve municipal water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure.

The grants will cover 75% of the costs of two projects, leaving just under \$600,000 of the \$2.4 million total to be paid by the Town. This is required work, so without the grant the Town would have had to pay the full amount.

The Morris Road Drain and Stormwater Management project involves the construction of a new stormwater facility, which will reduce local flooding issues and improve the quality of the water entering Lake Simcoe. The second project is the restoration and remediation of the Simcoe Road Stormwater Management Facility.

Roadwork savings to pay for improvements to Line 13

Several rural road reconstruction projects were completed under budget in 2017 thanks to favourable tendering results. Since most of the funds for these projects came from provincial government grants, the surplus money must be used up or it will be lost.

Council directed staff to use the remaining \$320,000 in grant funds, along with \$26,000 from the Town's Capital Replacement Reserve, to resurface Line 13 from Hwy 27 to Sideroad 10.

Council approved all Committee of the Whole decisions from August 1, 2017.

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.

CoW supports indemnification by-law

The Committee of the Whole voted in favour of enacting a by-law to protect members of Council, local boards, committees, employees or former employees from personal legal liability for certain types of action (or lack of action) taken in the scope of doing their jobs. The by-law would apply only if the individual was acting honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interest of the Town and only where insurance coverage is not available. The proposed by-law is consistent with standard practices across Ontario.

Announcements:

- **Thursday, August 24: Outdoor Movies – Moana**
– east lawn, BWG Library and Cultural Centre (425 Holland St. W)
FREE event: Bring lawn chairs, blankets and snacks. Movies start at dusk; watch Facebook for special pre-movie events.
- **Second Sunday and last Saturday, April through November, 12:30-3:00pm: Wishing Well Animal Sanctuary Tours**
– Wishing Well Sanctuary (2710 Line 10)
Meet the animals and learn how they came to live at Wishing Well. \$15/person or \$50 for a family of four (kids under 2 are free). Visit: wishingwellsanctuary.org
- **Saturday, September 9, 10:30am: Discover the Trails**
– BWG Leisure Centre (471 West Park Ave.)
Meet for a trail walk hosted by the Active Transportation & Recreation Committee.
- **Saturday, September 9: Bradford Lions Car Draw**
There's still time to buy tickets before the final draw. Available at stores including Sobey's, Pet Valu and Canadian Tire or from any Club member. Visit: www.facebook.com/BradfordLions/
- **Saturday, September 16, 8:00am-6:00pm: BWG Community Initiatives' eWaste Collection**
– Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre (125 Simcoe Rd.)
Drop off your electronic waste to be recycled. Proceeds support local charities. Volunteers needed, contact Carl Hordyk: chordyk@rogers.com
- **Saturday, September 16 and Sunday, September 17, 10:00am-5:00pm: BWG Studio Art Tour**
– various locations; visit: www.bwgstudiotour.ca
This artist-run event showcases 21 local artists at 4 locations working in jewellery, photography, painting and more. FREE admission.
- **Friday, September 22, 7:00pm-1:00am: "Raise the Roof" Dinner & Dance**
– Bradford Legion (115 Back St.)
Enjoy an evening of dinner and dance and help raise funds to replace the roof at the Bradford Legion hall. Tickets \$25/person or \$45/couple. Contact Nicole: 905-806-8389

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

www.townofbwg.com/events