



# **MEDIA RELEASE**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

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**Highlights from the June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meetings of  
Montague Township Council and Committee of the Whole**

- Reeve Jennings opened the meeting by acknowledging that it is seniors' month, pride month and national indigenous month, and that Council recesses for the month of July. The next meeting of Council will be August 6, 2024.
- Following the Land Acknowledgement and moment of silence, Council approved the agenda as amended to include a Staff report (item 3f) and by-law stemming from that report. The minutes of the regular meeting of Council and Committee of the Whole dated June 4, 2024, were approved as presented as well.
- The Township received a delegation from Sarah Craig of Public Sector Digest with regard to the Township's asset management plan. Following the delegation, a staff report was received with regard to the plan. Council approved the plan as presented to meet the July 1, 2024, O. Reg 588/17 requirements, and directed Staff to continue working towards the 2025 requirements, which will include a public survey and public consultation.
- A report was presented with regard to the Township's 22 Acre property on Rosedale Road South. Council approved the quotation from G. Tackaberry and Sons Construction for the completion of site work in the amount of \$62,692.20 inclusive of non-refundable HST. A donation of volleyball posts and nets on the two (2) courts was made possible by the Gerry Lowe Memorial Committee, and a bench will be installed that was donated by Crime Stoppers. Council directed Staff to proceed with the name of "Montague 22 Acre Park" for the space for now.
- A joint report between the Clerk-Administrator/Treasurer and Public Works Manager was received regarding surplus equipment. Council declared the Public Works garage generator, grader wing, truck screen, sickle mower, wagon seeder, brush mower, grader push blade and disc retriever as surplus, and directed Staff to list all items for sale on GovDeals.
- The Clerk-Administrator / Treasurer brought forth a report with regard to the allocation of surplus funds from 2023. Council approved the allocation of approximately \$493,000.00 as presented.
- Council approved the draft agreement with Mr. Ron Hewitt for the services of alternate Water Operator and directed Staff to bring forth a by-law later in the meeting.
- Council also approved the agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for the distribution of the Canada Community Building Fund, previously known as the Federal Gas Tax Fund. Montague will receive

approximately \$130,000.00 per year for the next 4-5 years from this fund. Council directed the Reeve and Clerk to sign the agreement attached to by-law 4080-2024.

### **By-Laws Passed by Council**

- **4078-2024:** Appoint Ron Hewitt as an alternate Water Operator
- **4079-2024:** Site Plan Agreement with Alain Pellegroms and Dana Tapak
- **4080-2024:** AMO Canada Community Building Funding Agreement

### **Committee of the Whole**

- Committee accepted the Burchill Road Culvert Replacement update as information. Public Works Manager Ian Hall noted that full costing for the replacement of the culvert will be brought to the August 6, 2024, meeting, and the timeline for replacement will likely be September 2024, unless an emergency replacement is required. Staff monitor the culvert regularly, will continue to do so until the replacement, and believe it is in stable condition.
- Committee accepted the Municipal Complex update from the Clerk-Administrator/Treasurer as information, noting that there are five (5) qualified contractors that intend to bid. The tender for the project closes July 11, 2024, and pricing will be brought to Council at the August 6, 2024, meeting.

**The next Meeting of Council & COW is Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 6:00pm**

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