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COUNCIL IN BRIEF

For March 12, 2015.

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ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE STRUCK

The 2014-2018 Accessibility Advisory Committee Members are:

Mr. Walter Benotto
Ms. Peggy Bond
Ms. Ann Camm
Mr. Richard Carrera
Mr. Mike Gravelle
Mr. Frank Hunt
Ms. Anne Jordan
Mr. Anthony Kilmartin
Mr. Trevor Lewis

Ad Hoc Committee to Review County Forest Operation

Councillors Geoff Dunlop, Heather Hayes and Laura Ryan were appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee to Review County Forest Operation. Five public members will also be appointed to the committee. The committee will be conducting a review and discussion of the requirements and purpose of the County Forest operation overall. Members of the public who are interested, can submit their cover letter and resume to the Clerk at clerk@dufferincounty.ca. This process will also involve public consultation.

2015 BUDGET APPROVED

Council approved the 2015 Budget. The tax levy amount is \$32,250,245 representing a 2.86% increase. New growth will take care of 2.21% leaving a 0.65% impact on taxpayers or \$8.67 on the average residential property.

INVESTMENT IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

Council gave approval to staff to deliver four components from the Investment in Affordable Housing program (IAH).

- **Rental Housing Component**
- **Home Ownership Component**
- **Housing Allowance (Shared Delivery Stream)**
- **Dufferin County Ontario Renovates**

A copy of the full report is available on our website (http://www.dufferincounty.ca/files/uploads/2015-02-26_Community_Services___Dufferin_Oaks_agenda.pdf)

DISASTER RELIEF RESERVE

Council approved a criteria for using the Disaster Relief Reserve. Member municipalities in Dufferin County will have the ability to access assistance to offset cost associated with emergency prevention, mitigation or preparedness.

The reserve is structured to enhance emergency management capabilities across Dufferin County. The type of projects eligible for funding would align with identified emergency risks found in the Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) assessed and reviewed by Dufferin County's Emergency Management Coordinator in collaboration with member municipality emergency leads. If set criteria is met, member municipalities could receive from the reserve 50% of an approved project cost up to a maximum of

\$10,000. Prior to any request for assistance being brought forward for consideration, an application for assistance must have been received by the County Clerk and approved by County Council.

911 SERVICE PROCURMENT

The County of Dufferin is responsible for the provision of 911 answering service. Staff were directed to proceed with a procurement process for 911 services in the 4th Quarter of 2015.

INTERSECTION WORK GOING AHEAD AT STANTON

The Public Works Committee received an update on the proposed intersection improvements at 5 Sideroad and Airport Road in Mulmur. The former Stanton Hotel, previously located at the corner has been moved to the rear of the property to allow the intersection improvements to take place.

Council is calling on any interested parties interested in acquiring the building to contact staff with a view to having it removed by June 1, 2015. If no interest is expressed, the building will be dismantled, the property will be cleaned up and offered for sale.

ATV Club to Use Entire Former Rail Line

Council approved a request from the Dufferin-Grey ATV Club to use the entire length of the former rail line owned by the County of Dufferin from May 1st to October 31.

Battlefield Tour

Council approved a request from Neil Orford for funding in the amount of \$4,500 to subsidize the travel/expenses of a suitable Dufferin Veteran (from any Canadian conflict or peacetime service) to travel with the 2015 Battlefields Tour. Also, support was given for an ad hoc committee to be formed to work with County staff to establish acceptable criteria or the Application Process and criteria for advertising and recruitment of an acceptable local veteran.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR LEGAL SERVICES

An RFP was issued for Legal Services. The timeline for the RFP is as follows:

| Activity | Date |
|---|--------------------|
| General Government Services Committee | February, 25, 2015 |
| Request for Proposal Issued | February 26, 2015 |
| Request for Proposal Closing | March 19, 2015 |
| Short Listed Proponent's Presentations/Interviews | Week of March 30 |
| Recommendation to Committee | April 28, 2015 |
| Proponent Selected | May 14, 2015 |

INDEXING OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Development Charges are collected by developers for new construction and the funds are used to finance growth-related capital projects. The County Development Charge By-law 2012-31 took effect in September 2012 after a study was completed in the spring of 2012. Annual indexing for inflation is required in the Bylaw. The residential per-unit Development Charge is now \$2,647.00 and the non-residential Development Charge is \$6.24 per square metre. The Wind Turbine charge will be \$4,052.95 per unit, as of 1st of April, 2015.

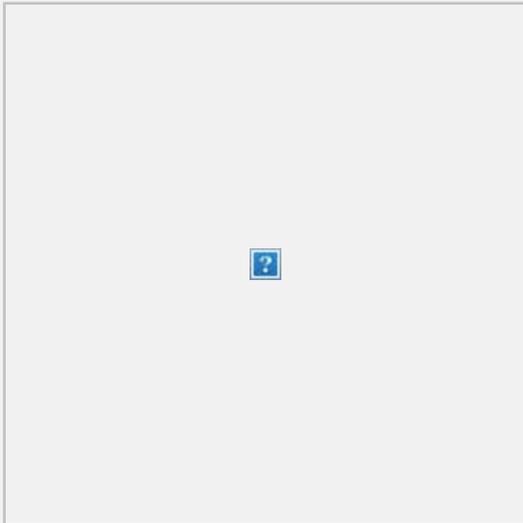
Upcoming Meetings:

Public Works - Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 a.m.

General Government Services - Tuesday, March 24, at 4:00 p.m.

Community Services Dufferin Oaks - Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 p.m.

All committee meetings will be held at 55 Zina Street, Orangeville in the Sutton Room (2nd Floor)



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