

COUNCIL CORNER

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Covid Vaccination

The 7th wave is slowly declining but case and hospitalization numbers remain stubbornly high in the Hastings Prince Edward health region. A third booster will likely be available soon and new clinics will be scheduled. Sign up for my daily email for all the latest facts.

County Services Re-opened

Municipal offices at the Edward Building (280 Picton Main Street) and the Picton fire station (8 McDonald Drive) have returned to regular service. The public can drop into the Edward Building (Monday-Friday, 8:30 am - 5 pm) and the Picton fire station (Monday-Friday, 9 am - 4 pm). Shire hall remains closed for renovations until late November.

Council Activity—Highlights for August 2022

- Approved new Municipal Capital Facilities bylaw to provide tax relief incentives for affordable housing projects
- Approved zoning for 40 unit affordable housing on the old Wellington Arena site – occupancy 2023
- Approved consultation with the province to create a hazardous waste depot at the South Marysburgh landfill site
- Approved engaging the Affordable Housing Corporation to discuss reuse of the old H.J. McFarland home for affordable housing purposes.
- Approved new HR related bylaws for anti-racism, harassment, etc.
- Finalized revised Short Term Accommodation Bylaws to provide greater penalties for cheaters, stronger enforcement, no more whole home STAs
- Received the CAO’s second quarter report

Coming up

- Complete Parks and Recreation Masterplan
- Decision on the Wellington Heritage District proposal
- Tender awards for Wellington water trunk mains
- Lakeside Motel site plan agreement
- HJ McFarland home development plan
- County-wide boat launch plan
- Revised Wellington Secondary plan

- More bylaw reviews
- I encourage you to check out agendas and their supporting reports – all available on the County website, become informed and participate in our meetings via Zoom.

Planning Matters

- You can see the details of all planning proposals and applications on the County’s planning portal, download documents and prepare comments as appropriate: <https://www.thecounty.ca/residents/services/planning/active-planning-applications/>

Other

Roadwork

Questions have been as to why the Picton Main St. project had to be started in July. There are several reasons. First of all, it is a multi-month project and to have it completed before the ground freezes, it had to start when it did. Secondly, it is difficult enough to get contractors to work for us, so we cannot dictate timeframes to them.

Road repair, restoration and reconstruction handbook. I promised this would be available a couple of months ago and it has been finished. I emailed it to my daily email list earlier in August. If you have not received it and would like to educate yourself about how the County goes at roadwork, just drop me a line and I will send it out.

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