

COUNCIL NEWS:

The Mayor and Council would like to give a big thank you to the dedicated medical, paramedic, police and fire fighters for their commitment during the Covid-19 pandemic. A big thank you as well to our local businesses for their continued commitment in keeping their services open. To all of the essential workers during this pandemic, thank you so much, please know that your work and commitment is appreciated.

Council would like to thank the residents of our area for following Ontario's Covid-19 health guidelines, to help keep us all safe and to help hasten the return to life's more normal activities.

Council and staff and have been keeping abreast of pandemic information from provincial and federal agencies as well as electronic conference meetings with provincial health and emergency agencies. Mayor Gord Griffiths and other regional mayors have been in regular communications with our local MPP Greg Rickford and MP Eric Melillo discussing the ever changing conditions and needs of our communities and region. There has been no shortage of information.

As in most Municipalities, our Council is conducting official meetings electronically as approved under the Provincial Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act implemented during the Covid-19 pandemic. After cancelling the scheduled March 23 Council meeting, Public Works and Regular Council meetings were held on April 14th by teleconference. The Regular Council meeting held on April 27th was also conducted by teleconference. The meetings were audio recorded and are available for public review upon request through the Machin Office.

Like our personal lives which have slowed up with the pandemic, municipal councils have also slowed up. Some initiatives our Council would like to be working on have been put on hold until business returns to a more normal state. Behind the scenes Council is continuing to work on various initiatives where possible i.e. C.P.R. property acquisition and new Seniors residence.

Council and Staff would like to welcome Glenn Wise as our new Public Works employee. Glenn is a resident of our community and has many years of experience. Please welcome Glenn in his new role.

Stay well, stay safe.

Mayor and Council

MUNICIPAL NEWS:

Woodland Arena:

In April our staff spent a day with service technicians from Trane, our Ice Plant contractor and completed year end testing on the unit. Regular end of season minor maintenance and painting has been occurring to have the arena available for possible summer events and next winters activities.