

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Meeting Highlights September 23, 2024

The following is a summary of the proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 23, 2024:

- Council approved the minutes of the Council Meetings held on September 9, 2024.
- A Public Meeting was held by the Bruce County Planning & Development Department regarding the Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application – Z-2024-047 (Reimer-Catteau c/o Davidson).
- Council received a delegation from the Bruce County Planning & Development Department regarding the Bruce County Draft Official Plan.
- Council received a report from the Clerk to appoint a new member to the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee.
- Council received a report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Lion's Head Arena Alternative.
 - This report was initially presented at the September 9, 2024, Council Meeting but was deferred.
- Council approved the minutes of the August 6, 2024, Museum Committee Meeting.
- Council approved the minutes of the September 9, 2024, Licensing Appeal Committee Meeting.
- Deputy Mayor Anderson inquired surrounding the penalties associated with the continued operation of a Short-term Accommodation (STA) following the revocation of a licence.
 - Chief Administrative Officer, Peggy Van Meirlo-West noted that the property owner can be fined on a daily basis if operations continue. She further stated that the fines are currently controlled through the Province, however, staff are currently working to implement the Administrative Monetary Penalties (AMPs) System to facilitate an increase in fines.
 - Deputy Clerk, Lindsay Forbes, noted that the current fines for operation without a valid STA Licence is a maximum of \$2700.00 + HST per day.

- Councillor Goloden inquired regarding the ability of a property to obtain a STA Licence following the sale of the property, if the previous owner had their STA Licence revoked.
 - Deputy Clerk, Lindsay Forbes, stated that the new property owner would be eligible to apply for a licence, however, they would have to start the application process from scratch as STA Licences are nontransferable under the Municipal Licensing Program.
- It was noted that a report regarding the STA Program will be presented to Council following Thanksgiving.
- Councillor Dowd inquired regarding the procurement of an air conditioner for the Tobermory Community Centre.
 - Parks and Facilities Manager, Mark Coleman, noted that the Municipality is currently investigating a heat pump system for the site.
- Council received several correspondence items as information.
- Council approved three by-laws, a By-law to amend the Zoning By-law (59 Burma Road), a By-law to appoint a new member to the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee, and a Confirmatory By-law.
- It was noted that the technical issues with the Council Meeting Livestream continued to occur following Council reconvening from Closed Session.
- Following Closed Session, Mayor McIver advised that Council approved the minutes of July 8, 2024, Closed Session Meeting and Council proved the CAO direction with regards to property acquisitions and human resource matters.

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