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Here are the highlights from the South Dundas Council meeting held January 10, 2024.

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ROMA Delegations

The Council team and CAO Mills attended the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference (ROMA) January 21st – 23rd. The municipality was successful in receiving the opportunity to conduct two delegations.

The first topic was the Morrisburg Arena Project, where they presented to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Hon. Neil Lumsden. The delegation covered the hope to seek out more recreation and infrastructure funding streams to help small/rural municipalities where there are limited options. In the case of South Dundas, the goal is to improve accessibility at the arena and expand the usage of the facility.

The second topic was Enhancing Tourism and Building Prosperous Communities in Eastern Ontario, in collaboration with the Township of South Stormont, where they presented to the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, MPP Laura Smith. This delegation outlined the potential to provide municipal water and wastewater services throughout the St. Lawrence Parks Commission corridor. Not only with this improve St. Lawrence Parks Commission facilities, the expansion of municipal servicing into unserved areas will encourage housing development in accordance with the Provincial Policy Statement.

Matilda Landfill Decisions

Council has approved the elimination of the collection of Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Waste (IC&I) at the Matilda Landfill effective July 1, 2024. Additionally, the decision was made to enter into an agreement with GFL Environmental to haul all curbside waste to GLF in Moose Creek effective July 1, 2024. Finally, Council has approved an agreement with HGC Waste Management, who is our current curbside collection contractor, for the processing of blue box recyclables at the HGC Waste Management facility effective March 1, 2024.

“As of July 2024, we will have one year left...we need to have a 2-year plan. By removing this waste now, it allows us to have a proper time frame to have a closure plan”, stated Mayor Broad.

In doing so, the life of Matilda Landfill will be extended, allowing proper preparation time for a Waste Transfer Station.



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Final Williamsburg Sewer Rates

By-law 2024-08 was passed to impose a sewer service rate in Williamsburg. On January 10, 2024, Council directed staff to increase the Williamsburg unit rate to \$251.97 from \$187.20 (34.6%) to achieve the recommended Asset Management contribution of \$48,000 in as early as two years. Considering the increase of the service user fee, the estimated fee revenue for the 2024 Williamsburg Wastewater budget increases from \$55,291 to \$72,517 (\$17,226) which increases the transfer to the Williamsburg Capital Reserve Fund from \$8,192 to \$25,418.

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Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meetings: February 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

March 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

March 27, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.