



City Manager's Update

May 29, 2023

Highlights -

- Opening of Harrison Park Family Campground and Kelso Beach Campground.
- The Harrison Park Pool is scheduled to open June 19, and the Kelso Beach Splash Pad is now open.
- West Ice Pad has been removed, and Lacrosse is in full swing!
- Ball diamonds and sports fields are in full operation for the summer months – the backstop work at St. George's was completed.
- The inaugural Jr. Firefighters program offered in the City of Owen Sound has been highly successful thus far. 40 Owen Sound children aged 10 - 11 have participated in the program and enjoyed learning about home fire safety, CPR, first aid and Defibrillator use, Auto Extrication, Ropes and knots, Rescue techniques, and what it's like to be a Firefighter.
- Opening of the Tourism Centre to visitors and residents.
- Short-Term Rental Survey and Consultation begins this Thursday, June 1.
- Provincially mandated planning application review times are being met and surpassed.
- Two more applications were received for the Thompson Centres Development. New East Side McDonald's is now Open.
- The new Additional Residential Units (ARU) guide will be posted on the website this week.
- Staff undertook and continue the spring maintenance program (street sweeping, sod repair, cleaning downtown, line painting).
- Sidewalk condition survey underway.
- Bill 5 "Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022" second reading is scheduled for tomorrow, May 30.

Corporate Services Committee

Second Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Kate Allan, ext. 1238

June 8 - Cancelled

- Water Rate Study – **June 12 Committee of the Whole/Council**

July 13

- Short Term Rental
- Fire and Emergency Services Operations Update
- Development Charges Recommendation Report **July 24 Committee of the Whole/Council**
- Capital Plan Update – **July 24 Committee of the Whole/Council**

Go To “OurCity” – for the initiation of the public engagement on Short-Term Rentals – www.ourcity.owensound.ca

Operations Committee

Third Thursday of each month 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Lara Widdifield, ext. 1201

June 15

- Speed Limit Reduction Alternatives, Traffic Calming, and Photo Radar Enforcement
- Winter Maintenance, including Bus Stops
- GOST Bus Stop Agreement Extension
- DWQMS Commitment and Endorsement (**D**rinking **W**ater **Q**uality **M**anagement **S**tandard)

July 20

- Update to Subdivision Policies and Engineering Design Standards
- Final Climate Action Strategy (recommending approval)
- Introduction of the Transit Dashboard
- WWQMS Commitment and Endorsement

Community Services Committee

Third Wednesday of each month 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Pam Coulter, ext. 1252

June 21

- Heritage Property Tax Relief Program - 2022 Applications
- Ontario Heritage Act re: Changes to the Municipal Heritage Register and Heritage Planning Processes
- Development Update

July 19

- Agreement with Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Non-Mandatory Services
- Building By-law Update
- Development Update