

## City Manager's Update

**Committee of the Whole | Council** 

September 23, 2024



## **Highlights**

- The TOM held its second annual Deadly Pairing fundraising event at Coffin Ridge Winery on September 6. The 10-tasting station event welcomed approximately 100 people.
- Friday, September 13 the Gallery had more than 100 Concours d'Elegance participants, owners, and judges attend a welcome reception at the TOM. The event was sponsored by Cobble Beach with all donation proceeds going to the Gallery.
- TD Harbour Nights saw an estimated 350 people in attendance each night. Mid-Week Music, hosted by 12 different venues in the City, has 2 live acts remaining and will conclude its season on September 25.
- HockeyFest November 14-16, hosted by Owen Sound Girls Hockey, The City of Owen Sound, the Waterloo Warriors women's hockey team, and local schools.
- City has hosted several events in parks and open spaces over the summer Emancipation, Dog Show, Summerfolk, Salmon Spectacular, Ribfest and the Fall Fair – great events by third party organizers

## **Highlights**

- All three ice pads are installed, open, and fully booked for the hockey season. Ice Rental hours are up again, with OSMHG seeing an increase in registration requiring them to book additional ice.
- Bayshore Dehumidifier Project was completed in July.
- JMRRC Flood Water Boiler Replacement Capital project was completed.
- Delegated approval of 4 Site Plan Approval applications
  - Heritage Grove (grocery store)
  - New BDO offices on 16th Ave E
  - Mixed use commercial & residential development on 9th Ave E
  - The Launch (West side boat launch)
- Issued Building Permits for the New FreshCo Grocery Store (Sobey) and new full-sized PetSmart at Heritage Grove.
- Phase 1 River District Video Cameras Installed and Operational

## **Corporate Services Committee**

Second Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m. Lead Director: Kate Allan, ext. 1238

#### October 10

- 2024 Building Condition Assessments Summary
- 2025 Operating Budget Presentation (Corporate Services)
- City Grants to Community Groups Policy Update
- Election 2026 Voting Methods and Inaugural Meeting
- Property Tax Write-Off

#### **November 14**

- 2023 Year-End Audit
- 2024 Asset Management Plan
- 2024 T2 Financial Update and Year End Forecast
- Owen Sound Fire Station Expansion and Renovation Pre-design Study



## **Operations Committee**

Third Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m. Lead Director: Lara Widdifield, ext. 1201

#### October 17

- 2025 Operating Budget Presentation (Public Works)
- Public Works Traffic By-law Amendments 1st Ave E, 1st Ave W, 7th St e and 4th Ave E
- Sydenham Sportsmen Association Lease Renewal at Derby Landfill
- Transport Canada Lease Renewal for 10th Street-Giche-name-wiikwedong Bridge
- Review of Transit Fares and Ridership Initiatives
- Capital Work Plan Update

#### **November 21**

- Boundary Road Agreement Township of Georgian Bluffs
- Capital Project and Workplan Status Update



## **Community Services Committee**

Third Wednesday of each month - 5:30 p.m. Lead Director: Pam Coulter, ext. 1252

#### October 16

- 2025 Operating Budget Presentation (Community Services and TOM)
- Update from Chamber of Commerce regarding Municipal Accommodation Tax
- Home and Cottage Show Partnership Agreement
- Staff input on the Provincial Planning Statement 2024
- Site Plan Approval Heritage Grove
- Site Plan approval 1541 9th Ave East main floor commercial 3 floors of residential above
- Site Plan Approval 16th Ave Office building north of SunLife

#### November 20

- 2024 Youth Summer Camp wrap Up
- 2024 Summer events wrap up



## **Ad Hoc Committees**

Strategic Planning | November 13 – 9 a.m.

Service Review | October 9 (www.Owensound.ca/servicereview) - 9 a.m.

**Service Review | December 11** 

### In case you missed it - Media Advisories Issued July 17 - September 16

#### www.Owensound.ca/news

- 1. Tom Thomson Art Gallery Launches Summer Programs
- 2. Kelso Beach at Nawash Park in Owen Sound posted unsafe for swimming (on behalf of Grey Bruce Public Health)
- 3. Swim advisory lifted for Kelso Beach at Nawash Park (on behalf of Grey Bruce Public Health)
- 4. County to Share Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Costs with the City Beginning in 2025
- 5. Natural Gas Leak Near Alpha Street
- 6. Public Notice of Special County of Grey Joint All Councils Meeting on August 8, 2024
- 7. No More Guessing If You've Missed the Bus! Free Transit App Allows You to Get Live Updates for Where and When Your Bus Will Depart and Arrive with Owen Sound Transit
- 8. City Celebration of Heritage Returns with Doors Open Ontario Event in Owen Sound
- 9. Owen Sound Receives \$1.75 Million in Provincial Grant Funding for City Watermain Project
- 10. Public Notice of Intention to Pass a By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees
- 11. Elected Officials Attend Annual AMO Conference
- 12. Book Kelso Beach at Nawash Park Camping or Purchase Boat Launch Passes Online for Salmon Spectacular
- 13. How to Report a Concern to the City or Make a By-law Complaint
- 14. Structure Fire Extinguished: Reminder to Practice Fire Safety
- 15. Art Gallery Returns to Coffin Ridge Winery for Signature Night of Wine and Food Pairings
- 16. City Hall to Light Up for International Overdose Awareness Day
- 17. Public Notice: City of Owen Sound Ends Funding for the Miller Waste Transfer Station Recycling Convenience Depot, Effective September 30, 2024
- 18. Experience The Corkscrew City Tour: A Journey Through Prohibition in Owen Sound
- 19. City Hall to Light Up Blue in Support of Prostate Cancer Awareness
- 20. City Continues Hydrant Flushing Program
- 21. Cars & Coffee and the Concours d'Lemons Return to the River District
- 22. Chat with a Local Firefighter: Hot Tips for Fire Safety at the Library!



# **Upcoming Opportunities to Learn and Engage**

- November 7– Community Open House
- November 8 & 9 & 10 2050 Vision: Strategic Visioning Sessions

## **Stay Connected**

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