

City Manager's Update

Committee of the Whole | Council

March 24, 2025



Highlights

- The Home and Cottage Expo is 75% sold out now. The Expo takes place May 3 & 4 from 10 a.m. 4 p.m. at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre & JD McArthur Arena.
- February saw a fantastic turnout for SNOwenSound Frolics, with plenty of participation despite the record-breaking snowy conditions—nothing could keep people inside this year!
- The City of Owen Sound was recognized as a Tree City of the World again in 2024. This is the third consecutive year that the Forestry Team has been able to demonstrate the City's commitment in supporting a green vision for the City.
- The Good Cheer rink had a tremendous skating season that commenced on January 10, 2025 and closed on March 10, 2025. This has been one of the longest skating seasons in quite some time and could not have been achieved without the tremendous effort of the Parks Team.

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- Registration for Summer Camps opened on February 18. Week-long camps begin mid-June and continue to mid-August.
- Please visit the City's website for details about the following camps and for registration.

Soccer Camp

Lacrosse Camp

Harrison Park Sports Camp

Hockey Camp

Power Skating Program

Hockey Skills Program

Camp TOM: Summer Art Adventures

www.owensound.ca/youthprograms

Corporate Services Committee

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

April 10

- Corporate Website Analytics and Overview
- Policy Review Project Annual Review
- Fire Truck Purchase and Refurbishment Update
- MPAC's Role re s.357 Cancellations, Reduction or Refund of Property Taxes

May 8

- 2025 T1 Financial Update
- 2024 Animal Control Year In Review

Operations Committee

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

April 17

- Circular Materials Eligible Community Recycling Calendars Amending Agreement
- Drinking Water Standard of Care
- Flixbus Transit Service Contract Extension
- Product Care Amending Agreement

May 15



Community Services Committee

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

April 16

- Report from MHBC Planning regarding OP and Zoning Bylaw Update and Urban Design Guidelines
- Owen Sound Community Profile Presentation
- Draft agreement with the Bluewater District School Board Re: Use of the Newly renovated Multisport Courts at OSDSS
- Update Fee Guide for Harrison Park Pool
- Building Services Update

May 21

- Q1 Community and Business Development Update
- Agreement re: City of Owen Sound and OS Minor Soccer Association respecting the Kiwanis Soccer Complex
- Building Services Update



Other Committee Meetings

Service Review | April 9 – 9 a.m.

TOM Thomson Advisory | May 7 – 2 p.m.

In case you missed it - Media Advisories Issued February 21 - March 21

www.Owensound.ca/news

- Community Approach to Proper Sharps Disposal
- City Employee Darcy Wise Passes Away, Remembered for Hardworking and Warm-Hearted Presence
- Cancellation of the 2025 Arts and Culture Awards Ceremony
- Owen Sound River District Joins National Shop Main Street Canada. Support Local Campaign
- Pothole Season has Begun, and City Staff are Ready
- Some Harrison Park Trails and Roads Closed Due to Flooding (Freedom Trail and Island reopened this morning)
- Protect Yourself and Your Property from Flooding
- Good Cheer Rink Currently Closed (remains closed as of right now)
- Owen Sound Advances Sustainability Efforts with Climate Action Strategy Progress
- One Week Remaining to Complete the Short-Term Rental One-Year Review Survey
- Limited-Time Subsidy Available for Backflow Prevention Installation in Owen Sound
- City Seeking Approval to Extend Guelph-Owen Sound Transit (GOST) Bus Service
- Public Notice: March 5th Strategic Planning Ad-hoc Committee Meeting Rescheduled
- Seasonal Load Restrictions Coming into Effect March 1
- City of Owen Sound Shifting to Overnight Excess Snow Removal Due to Safety Concerns

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