



COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

Lagoon City Parks and Waterways Commission

April 14, 2022

WATERSIDE WISDOM SPEAKER SERIES - BYLAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENTATION

Jon Popple, Manager of Community Standards and Recreation, provided an overview of the services provided by the Bylaw Enforcement department, Bylaws and Provincial Statutes enforced and the complaint process.

The public is reminded to file a complaint in writing through the following ways:

- Online - Complete [Report a Concern](#) from
- Email - bylaw@ramara.ca
- Paper - Complete Complaint form and submit it in-person or by mail

View the PowerPoint presentation [here](#).

Listen to the presentation [here](#).

Learn more about Bylaw Enforcement services in Ramara at www.ramara.ca/bylaw

Next L.C.P.W.C. meeting is on May 12, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

WEED REMOVAL PLAN

At the January 12, 2022, L.C.P.W.C. meeting, staff reported that the County of Simcoe Waste Management Division would no longer accept water-saturated weeds from the canal; instead, they required staff to dry out the weeds under an agreed-upon standard before disposing of them. After further investigation and discussion with the County of Simcoe, surrounding municipalities and other contractors, four options are to consider.

1. Dispose of weeds at the County landfill, fulfilling their specifications. This would cost \$1,300 daily and includes the cost of equipment and bin haulage to the County.
2. Dispose of weeds with Wessuc Inc. (contractor). This would cost \$1,500 daily and includes equipment and haulage.
3. Dispose of saturated weeds (removal of dry time) with AAAA Sanitation. This would cost \$795 per 40-yard bin load, plus taxes. This price does not include haulage.
4. Continue operations with no change. This would cost \$1,550 daily and includes the cost of equipment and haulage.

After considerable investigation and meetings, staff were able to secure, with the approval of the Commission, AAAA Sanitation to accept canal weeds at \$795 per 40 yard bin load. Staff were directed to proceed to tender a bin, backhoe and haulage.

SOUTH FOOTBRIDGE UPDATE

Since February 10, 2022, the South Foot bridge has been closed to pedestrian traffic due to structural issues. The following has been done to date:

- On March 23, 2022 - Excavation and further inspection complete.
 - No issues or concerns with north end main cables .
 - Cable ends corroded and failed on south side.
 - The cable on the East side failed completely and was dislodged from the anchor point.

At this time, the easterly cable has been temporarily repaired and the Township engineers are investigating options to permanently repair the bridge. **South Foot Bridge will remain closed indefinitely.**

DREDGING PLAN

Commission discussed the 2022 Dredging Plan that would look at dredging main areas of concern: behind the Mews and between the north footbridge and the Pinetree Court bridge. The finalized Dredging plan will come back at the August L.C.P.W.C. meeting.

ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL NOTICE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE REGARDING THE L.C.P.W.C. LEVY BYLAW

Section 8(2) of the Township of Mara Act, 1986 requires the approval of the Ontario Land Tribunal for any proposed By-law, or amendment to such By-law, which apportions expenses of the Lagoon City Parks & Waterways Commission. The proposed By-law will classify all residential dwelling units on eligible properties, which are licenced as a Short-Term Rental Accommodation as a hotel or motel for the purposes of By-law 2001.87 and will increase the levy to four (4) times the Base Levy Rate. The Case Management Conference will take place on June 14, 2022 at 10 a.m.

FUTURE L.C.P.W.C. MEETINGS

The Commission approved to remain meeting electronically and to reconsider returning to in-person meetings at the next Commission meeting.

MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The Commission was unsuccessful in engaging a Maintenance Contractor for the general maintenance and upkeep of the private beaches, footbridges/paths, and canals. In light of this, the Grass Cutting Contractor has agreed to take on beach and footbridge/path maintenance for the 2022 summer season.

There will be no regular pontoon boat operator and therefore residents are asked to compost any weeds they pull from the canal and to be respectful of the waterways.

INTERACTIVE ZONING MAP

Have you tried the new online interactive Zoning look-up map? This tool will help residents and businesses with their land use needs. Learn about planing rules and specific properties at www.ramara.ca/planning



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