

Town of Greater Napanee Council Highlights

Regular Meeting of Council for March 22, 2022

Public Meetings Held Under the Planning Act

Council held public meetings under the Planning Act for an Official Plan Amendment & Draft Plan of Subdivision and a Zoning Amendment Application to allow for an industrial development that allows for Business Park uses.

Updates from CAO John Pinsent

Strategic Plan Update

Council received the CAO's Strategic Plan update which provided information on how the community will be able to get involved and engaged as part of the Strategic Plan development process. An in-person engagement session is scheduled for April 20, 2022. Details of this meeting will be communicated to residents as it becomes available.

Residents are encouraged to visit [Let's Talk Greater Napanee](#) to follow this project as it develops.



Options for the Future of the Greater Napanee BIA

On March 17, the Town received notice of a resignation from the current Chair of the BIA. This leaves the BIA without a Chair or any administrative support. Council has supported that staff recommendation as follows:

- That the Town consider the dissolution of the Downtown Napanee Business Improvement Area (BIA);
- That the Town assume responsibility for the items identified in the proposed BIA budget for 2022; and
- That the Town consult with the current BIA membership regarding the creation of a special service levy for 2023.

Staff will report back to Council at the April 26, 2022, meeting with a plan for implementing the recommendation. More information is available in the [Staff Report](#) from the March 22 Council agenda.

Take a Look at the [Agenda and Minutes](#) from the March 22, 2022 Regular Session of Council

What's Happening in Our Municipal Departments:

Council received monthly Activity Reports from the General Managers of each municipal department. Here are some highlights:

Community & Corporate Services

Areas of discussion included HR and IT updates, an overview of current communications and community engagement initiatives, economic development projects such as the upcoming [Indoor Spring Hometown Market and Earth Day event](#), parks and facilities projects and cemetery information. The complete [Community & Corporate Services Activity Report](#) is available on the March 22 Council agenda.



Council received the Facilities Use Project Report on the Strathcona Paper Centre. The complete report is available on the [March 22 Council agenda](#).

Fire Services

Areas of discussion included staffing, training and public education updates, inspections and enforcement work completed through Fire Prevention, information on upcoming capital projects and emergency management updates. It was noted between January – February 2022, Greater Napanee Fire Services responded to 96 Calls for Service. The complete [Fire Services Activity Report](#) is available on the March 22 Council agenda.

Financial Services

Areas of discussion included updates for the Town's updated Asset Management Plan, the status of moving to an online Property Tax and Water Billing platform, and information on recent tax sales. The complete [Financial Services Activity Report](#) is available on the March 22 Council agenda.

Legislative Services

Areas of discussion included Council follow-up regarding the [Selby Twinning Project with Selby, UK](#), by-law reviews and enforcement and an update on 2022 election information, specifically that the 2022 municipal election pages are now live on the [Town's website](#).

Growth & Expansion

Areas of discussion included building permit information and an overview on current major projects including the Napanee Mall Drive Thru Pad, the [Proposed Tomlinson Asphalt Plant Rezoning Application](#), and the Canadian Tire Expansion. The complete [Growth & Expansion Activity Report](#) is available on the March 22 Council agenda.

Infrastructure Services

Areas of discussion included capital works projects, utilities and public works updates, and environmental services initiatives, including advertising the opportunity for residents to sit on the Town's Waste Diversion Committee. Residents interested in sitting on the Committee are encouraged to [submit an application](#) before the closing date on March 31, 2022. The complete [Infrastructure Services Activity Report](#) is available on the March 22 Council agenda.



Next Regular Session of Council: Tuesday, April 5, 2022
This meeting will be live streamed via our [YouTube Channel](#)

Upcoming Projects:

Winter Holiday Parking Program

Council has supported adopting a Toys for Tickets program in conjunction with the Fire Services' annual Firefighters' Toy Drive during the holiday season and will readjust Town enforcement during the designated period. Program details and policy will be approved by Council at a future meeting.

Short-Term Accommodations By-law Update

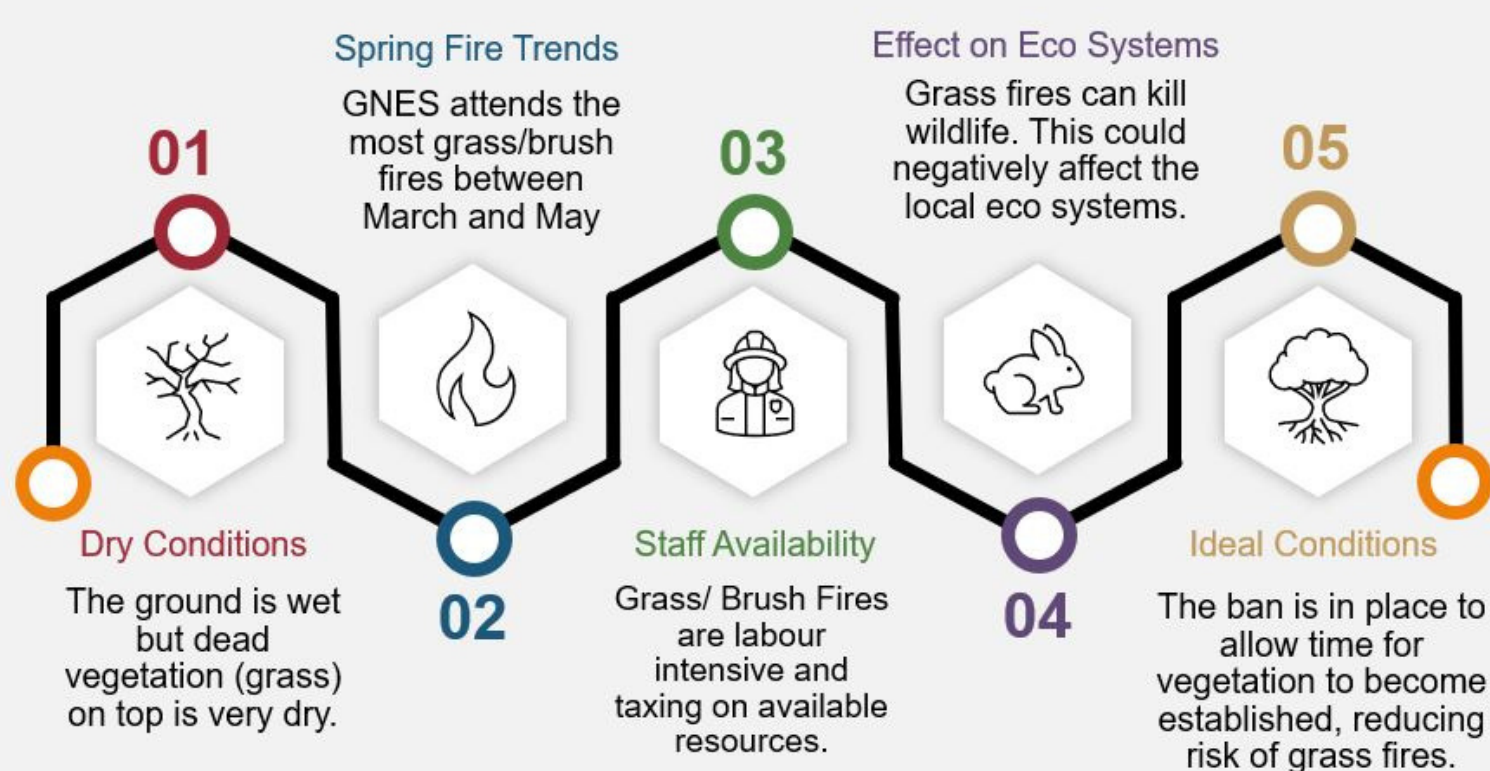
Staff will continue gathering information on Short Term Accommodation licensing needs and best practices, to draft a Short-Term Accommodation By-law. Staff will use existing by-laws to enforce noise, parking, property standards and other issues. Public comments will continue to be accepted via [Let's Talk Greater Napanee](#).



Council has proclaimed April 2022 as [Be a Donor Month](#) in the Town of Greater Napanee and recognizes Green Shirt Day on April 7, 2022 to raise awareness about the lifesaving impact of organ and tissue donation.

Staff are moving procurement activities to an online solution called Bids and Tenders, which will replace the existing platforms used. Staff are intending to go live with Bids and Tenders on April 1, 2022.

Greater Napanee Total Burn Ban (April 1st – May 15th) Information:



A Total Burn Ban will be in effect for Greater Napanee beginning April 1 until May 15, 2022.

A Total Burn Ban prohibits lighting any fires in open air and prohibits any activities that may start a fire, i.e. setting off fireworks. All fires are potentially dangerous.

Any residents not adhering to the Total Burn Ban could face fines up to \$200.00 plus liability for the cost of Fire Services to extinguish a fire that is out of control.

Why is there an Annual Total Burn Ban in place from April 1 – May 15? Putting a Total Burn Ban in place allows for spring vegetation to blossom, while also minimizing the unnecessary burden that grass and brush fires place on Fire Services resources, and ultimately Greater Napanee taxpayers

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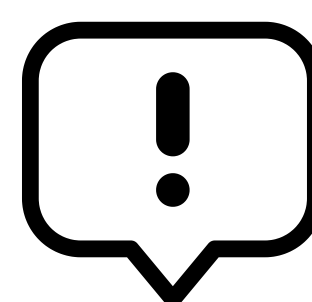
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