

West Hants Regional Municipality
May 14, 2024
Chief Administrative Officer Report



The following report captures activities and events between the April 2024 COTW meeting and the date of the report.

Governance

- Meetings and Events
 - COTW Meeting – April 9th
 - Council Meeting – April 23rd 24th
 - District 9 Community Meeting – May 8th

Administration

- Meetings and Events
 - Diversity and Inclusive Committee Meeting – April 15th and 29th
 - Homelessness in WHRM Meeting – April 16th
 - Accessibility Advisory Committee – April 25th

Finance

- Meetings and Events
 - Departmental Budget Meetings (February, March, and April)
- July 2023 Flash Flood – Repairs and Restoration Disaster (Financial Assistance (DFA) and Insurance)
 - Repair work has started at the Windsor Canoe Club
 - The Windsor Community Center is nearing the completion of storm related repairs. Minor details remain outstanding.
 - Former Rail line
 - A combination of storm repairs and ongoing maintenance has been carried out on the Brooklyn to Station Rd section.
 - The major washout in the Vaughan Rd / 236 intersection area of the trail will be tendered in late spring.

Community Development

- Meetings and Events
- Operational Meetings regarding Sports Complex, Trails, Parks and Open Spaces, Economic Development, Capital Projects and Community Events

Planning and Development

- Meetings and Events
 - Bi-weekly Inter-Developmental Development Related Meetings
 - Climate Action Committee Meeting – May 10th
 - PAC/HAC Meeting – April 11th and May 9th
 - Summerville Paintball DA Site Inspection – May 1st
 - Ellershouse Windfarm Meeting – May 7th
 - Regional Plan Review Meeting with WSP – May 7th
 - Public Information Meeting – May 7th

Economic Development

- Meetings and Events
 - VREN Meeting to introduce new Executive Director, Emily Boucher – May 9th
 - WTBA Meeting – May 10th
- Commercial and Industrial Land Development – The following studies and data have been gathered to support work by staff to create a strategy for commercial development.
 - 2010 Hants West Business Park Feasibility Study
 - 2016 Municipality of the District of West Hants Garland's Crossing Concept Plan Report
 - 2011 Kings Community Economic Development Agency Industrial and Commercial Land Demand Report
 - Windsor and West Hants Industrial Park Agreement
 - WHRM Land Inventory
 - 2024 "NEW" GURU Site Selector Tool (VREN)
- Staff will be focusing on the TMP lands as a starting proposal for Council's consideration. A study commissioned in 2016 provides a great foundation of information related to the site such as a geotechnical assessment, infrastructure assessment, traffic consideration, site layout and other matters.

Public Works and Infrastructure

- Meetings and Events
 - GFL Landfill Public Session April 13th and 20th
 - PW's Wastewater Treatment Plant Meeting with Department of Fisheries – April 18th and 25th
 - MCGP Funding Announcement for Windsor Water Tower – April 23rd
 - Martock Marsh Body Meeting – May 2nd

Protective Services

- Meetings and Events
 - WHRM EMO Planning Committee Meeting – April 11th
 - Department of Emergency Management RE Nova Scotia Guard – April 12th
 - Police Advisory Board Meeting – April 22nd
 - EMO Emergency Command Centre Training – May 6th

Sincerely,

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