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Council Meeting September 9, 2021

Your Council met on September 9, 2021. One item that was raised was the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This is a holiday established by the Government of Canada but not recognized as a holiday by the Province of Ontario. In the Province's announcement, they are considering the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation along the same lines as Remembrance Day in that they are encouraging activities to promote the theme of the day without establishing a statutory holiday. While, municipally speaking, we are guided by Provincial Legislation, Council decided to cancel the Regular Session scheduled for September 30th. The next Regular Session is October 21st. Council may call special meetings in accordance with the Procedural By-Law. If there are Special Meetings called, these will be advertised on the doors of the municipal office, on our website, our Facebook page and through <u>communicate@Temagami.ca</u>.

Building on the Solid Waste Management Master Plan that was presented to Council earlier this year, Council approved two contracts. The first is the hydrogeological work required as part of the expansion and acquisition program at the Strathy Landfill Site at a cost of \$95,090 plus HST and the second is a waste audit to be conducted in the summer of 2022 at the cost of \$13,941 plus HST. Both of these are being managed by Tulloch, our appointed engineers, and Cambium is being engaged to complete the work. The project to expand the footprint and purchase the Strathy Landfill Site as well as purchasing the Briggs and Sisk Landfill Sites has been going on for some time. As we work through 2022, the intention is to finalize these purchases and have a clearer picture of our waste and how to better manage this. This will also provide time to receive some greater clarity as the recycling programs move to be a producer responsibility.

Council established the meeting dates for 2022. Interesting to note is that December 1, 2022 has been selected as the Inaugural Meeting for the 2022-2026 Term of Council. This schedule will be available on our website however the meeting every three weeks schedule is being maintained.

After advertising in August for potential Board Members for the Temagami Economic Development Corporation, Council received five (5) submissions. While the number of Directors can be altered at this stage of the organizational development, Council had hoped to receive at least six (6) expressions of interest. To that end, there will be a further advertisement in the hopes of attracting additional submissions for Council's consideration.

Council was made aware of the progress Leepfrog is making on setting up the local Broadband system. Installations will be starting soon in Temagami and Temagami North. Council was also informed a public Downtown Wi-Fi system has been set up While there will be adjustments, and perhaps boosters added, over the coming weeks, the password Temagami should allow you to access this Wi-Fi network.