



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE October 20, 2020

The following is the Committee of the Whole report from October 6, 2020 meeting.

### A. Consent Reports

#### Motion No. CW145-20

**That** the following consent reports from the October 6, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting be received for information:

- Library Board - August 12, 2020
- Committee of Adjustment - August 19, 2020

### B. Staff Reports

#### Recreation and Culture

#### 1. Budget Approval – Supply and Installation of Outdoor Digital Sign RFP Award

##### Motion No CW146-20

**THAT** Committee of the Whole recommend that Council authorize a maximum of \$11,337 be used from the 2020 Economic Development Operating budget to cover the additional cost for the Community Digital Sign installation.

**CARRIED**

### C. Notice of Motion

#### 1. Councillor Holmes Motion – Greystone Trail Extension

##### Motion No CW147-20

**WHEREAS** the existing Greystone Trail is 1 kilometre in length beginning at the Appleton Side road and extending down to Greystone Crescent;

**AND WHEREAS** in 2017 the former Active Transportation Advisory Committee recommended to Council that the municipality explore the option for a trail extension from Industrial Drive to Paterson Street to connect with the Greystone trail;

**AND WHEREAS** in the fall of 2017 Council provided direction to staff to proceed with discussions with the Upper Canada District School Board relating to the trail extension from Industrial Drive to Paterson Street;

**AND WHEREAS** as a result of staff turnover these discussions were never completed;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council direct staff to recommence discussions with the Upper Canada District School Board regarding the potential extension of the Greystone Trail from Industrial Drive to Paterson Street;

**AND THAT** the outcome of these discussions form part of the review of the Active Transportation Master plan review as identified in the Strategic Plan.

**CARRIED**

#### **D. Information List # 010-20**

1. Item # 6

**Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections**

**Motion CW148-20**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to ensure that loopholes are closed on any pay to play schemes in rural communities where non-resident electors are permitted to participate in elections so that \$100.00 leases do not turn into ballots for garden sheds;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that the rules described in the Municipal Elections Act are actually enforceable even if there is not current case law.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that support for this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, M.P.P. for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

2. Item # 7

**Increased Broadband Coverage**

**Motion CW148-20**

**THAT** Council accept the correspondence from the Honourable Maryam Monsef, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development, regarding increased broadband coverage.

3. Item # 10

**Parkland Dedication, Development Charges and the Community Benefits  
Charges Authority**

**Motion CW148-20**

**THAT** Council direct staff to share the information from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the changes to the *Development Charges Act, Planning Act, More Homes, More Choice Act* and *COVID 19 Economic Recovery Act* on the municipal website.

Submitted by,

Reviewed by,

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John Dalgity,  
Committee of the Whole Chair

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Jeanne Harfield,  
Clerk