

Roundup of key matters from Pelham Town Council

May 6, 2019

Council Highlights

Council accepting proposals for Pelham Town Square feature

The arches may very well make a comeback, but not before the community has an opportunity to bring other ideas to the table.

Council voted Monday night to accept proposals for the arches replacement, or new design ideas entirely for a feature structure, on Pelham Town Square.

Though Councillor John Wink proposed Council accept the proposal by the Rotary Club of Fonthill and Summerfest Committee, Council ultimately decided to give a little more time for others to step forward.

"Instead of rushing something through, I think we need to think it through." said Councillor Lisa Haun. "If nothing comes forward, so be it."

A concern of Wink's, echoed by others, was delaying the fundraising efforts by the Rotary Club.

"Part of it has to do with fundraising, and that doesn't happen overnight," said Wink. "Rotary is planning a large gala in September and it takes a long time to get something done in respect to a quality event. By delaying further we will be hindering the opportunity of fundraising for the Rotary Club."

Individuals or groups who would like to come forward with design ideas for a feature on Pelham Town Square are encouraged to put together a proposal to be presented at the June 3 meeting of Council.

Proposals must include funding models (including maintenance), concepts and designs (to later be supported by engineer's drawings), and construction timeline.

Information on registration to present and submitting proposals can be found at: www.pelham.ca/design-idea



Mayor Marvin Junkin and Deputy Mayor Lisa Haun congratulated and handed out certificates to the Midget AE OMHA champion Pelham Panthers at last night's Council meeting. Congrats Panthers! #PelhamPROUD

Gypsy moth spray cost recovery options TBD

The Town will spray for gypsy moth this spring, but the cost per homeowner is yet to be determined. Council asked for further costing options to be brought back to Council to see if there's money available to cover the full cost. Currently, there are roughly 300 private properties in identified spray blocks receiving the aerial spray program and roughly 600 acres of rural property.

Cost for the program are based on type of aircraft used, the materials, and the surveying and mapping complete prior to application.

Dates and final spray block maps are yet to be confirmed, but will be updated on the Town's website as soon as information is available.

Strategic plan adopted

With one amendment to be implemented, Council has adopted their strategic plan for the current term of Council. The strategic plan is a roadmap for where Council would like to see the Town go during the next three-plus years. A complete recap of the strategic plan is forthcoming once the final amendment is made to the document. Keep an eye on the Town website for this information.

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Next meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 6:30 p.m. Council Chambers

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