



## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### Regular Council Meeting: February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

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#### ○ **Strategic Plan**

- Council moved into Committee of the Whole to review the current strategic plan, and identify actions that can be carried forward until a fulsome Strategic Plan Update can be completed (2023-2024).
- Key priorities moving forward include: continuing to develop and implement long-term roads maintenance and improvement, continue to pursue rational, cost effective and efficient use of municipal property and buildings, continue with the waterfront development project when funding becomes available, support GHG emissions reduction and assess the feasibility of community composting.
- The complete list of supported priorities will be forwarded for Council approval at the March 4, 2023 Council meeting.
- Members of the public who wish to comment on the priorities are welcome to do so in writing to [tmills@billingstwp.ca](mailto:tmills@billingstwp.ca) by March 2, 2023 to be included in the agenda package for Council.

#### ○ **Official Plan Amendment**

- Council approved an Official Plan amendment to adopt a Natural Heritage System for the District of Manitoulin.
- A Natural Heritage System Strategy (NHSS) is an ecologically based delineation of nature and natural function - a system of connected or to be connected green and natural areas that provide ecological functions over a longer period of time and enable movement of species.
- For the Township of Billings, the NHSS impacts the lands on Clapperton Island.

The Next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 7pm in person at the Park Centre, the agenda will be posted at [www.billingstwp.ca](http://www.billingstwp.ca) the Friday prior to the meeting.