

Council Decisions – April 18, 2023

The following is a summary of decisions from Council at its [Regular Meeting](#) held April 18, 2023. A recording of the meeting can be viewed on the [Town's YouTube channel](#). If you have any questions or would like further explanation, please contact the Municipal Clerk at 705-567-9361 x.238 or email clerk@tkl.ca.

- Council acknowledged and formally appointed (by by-law) two (2) new Civil Marriage Officiants, being Rickey Vachon and Danielle Lafond.
- Council approved the installation of Pole Banner brackets for eight (8) new Pole Banner locations on Duncan Ave. N. from Government Rd. to Prospect Ave. Council also approved for the municipality to incur half of the bracket installation costs. Council further authorized and approved amendments to the Town's Pole Banner Policy to reflect the new locations offered, and resolved for the Town's User Fees By-Law be amended to reflect the additional installation costs associated to same.
- Council approved to change the location of the crosswalk painting for Pride Month (June) to Duncan Ave. S. at the intersection of Kirkland Street between 29 and 31 Duncan Ave. S.
- Council received the Articles of Incorporation for the Kirkland Lake Tourism Development Corporation (KLTDC); approved the KLTDC Bylaw 2023-001; authorized (by by-law) the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the KLTDC; and authorized the execution of operational agreements of mutual interest between the Town and the KLTDC, as required.
- Council received the 2022 Summary of Remuneration and Expenses for Board Members and Elected Officials.
- Council received a final 2023 Budget Update (including Operating, Capital, and Water & Wastewater) and approved and adopted same (by by-law) as presented.
- Council resolved to express its support for women in politics and encouraged action from the Provincial Government in creating legislation to ensure the equality, safety and security of women in politics.
- Council resolved to oppose Enbridge Gas' creation of a Utility Field Locate Fee.
- Council resolved for the reinstatement of legislation permitting a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from Tax Sales.
- Mayor Wight's Notice of Motion - Northern College Skills Development Form of Funding was deferred to May 2, 2023.
- Council passed a by-law authorizing the signing of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the United Steelworkers Union 2020 (Volunteer Firefighters) for the Period of February 5, 2023 to February 4, 2026.

- Council passed a by-law to set the Town of Kirkland Lake 2023 Tax Ratios for Municipal Purposes.
- Council passed a by-law adopting the 2023 estimates of all sums and to strike the rates of taxation for the year in the Town of Kirkland Lake.
- Mayor Wight proclaimed the Month of May as “**Community Living Month**”.
- Mayor Wight proclaimed the Week of May 1st to 7th as “**Mental Health Week**”.