

## Council Decisions – March 19, 2024

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The following is a summary of actions and decisions from Council at its Regular Meeting held [March 19, 2024](#). 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 Ext.238 or email [clerk@tkl.ca](mailto:clerk@tkl.ca).

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**NOTE:** all Reports are available for viewing within the corresponding meeting [Agenda](#).

- Council approved all minutes in relation to their regular meeting on March 5, 2024, and those as presented by Committees of Council, and Regional/Local Boards.
- Council deferred discussions on the 2024 Corporate Business Plan to the April 2, 2024 Regular Meeting.
- Council received the [2024 Budget as tabled](#) and directed that a [Public Meeting](#) be held on April 4, 2024 at 4:40 PM (directly after the 2024 Budget Public Meeting) surrounding the proposed increases to the Water and Wastewater Rates.  
**Note:** Those interested in participating at the Public Meeting virtually must contact the Municipal Clerk to obtain meeting credentials.
- Council amended the [2024 Budget Schedule](#) to have the final budget presented for approval on April 25, 2024.  
**Note:** All up-to-date info on this year's Budget is available on the Town's [Website](#).
- Council received the [2024 Proposed User Fees and Charges](#) and directed that a [Public Meeting](#) be held on April 4, 2024 at 4:40 PM.  
**Note:** Those interested in participating at the Public Meeting virtually must contact the Municipal Clerk to obtain meeting credentials.
- Council received the 2023 Summary of Remuneration and Expenses for Board Members and Elected Officials. Council Expense Reports for this Term can be viewed on the Town's [Website](#).
- Council approved to adopt [CNCL-2024-001 Council Remuneration Policy](#) taking effect on January 1, 2025.
- Council received and accepted the [2023 Annual/Summary Reports](#) for the Kirkland Lake Drinking Water System. The public can view the Report in print during regular business hours at the Public Works' Office (1 Dunfield Rd.), and at Town Hall (3 Kirkland St. W.).
- Council received an [Information Report](#) on Annual Clean-Up Week.
- Council **awarded the RFP for Integrity Commissioner (IC) Services** for Council and its Local Agencies, Boards, and Commissions to **Boghosian + Allen LLP**; the appointment By-Law for **David G. Boghosian**, Managing Partner will be presented to Council on April 16, 2024. The new Integrity Commissioner's term starts on April 21, 2024 and will run through to November 30, 2026; updated contact information will be published on the Town's [Website](#) at this time.
- Council resolved to support the [City of Greater Sudbury](#) regarding Amendment to the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA) to clarify the definition of Employer.
- Council resolved to support the [Town of Lincoln](#) regarding the urgent need for increased funding to Libraries and Museums in Ontario.
- Mayor Wight withdrew her Motion entitled "Need for Complex Passes for a Local Entity".
- Council passed the [updating by-law](#) authorizing the establishment of remuneration adjustments for Non-Union Employees.
- Mayor Wight brought notice of a Motion for the Letter of Understanding/Memorandum of Agreement with Beaverhouse First Nation to be considered on April 2, 2024.

- Councillor Kiely brought notice of a Motion for Communication Process with Integrity Commissioner to be considered on April 2, 2024.
- The Mayor proclaimed the following:
  - March 26, 2024 as “**International Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness**”; and
  - April 2, 2024 as “**World Autism Day**” in the Town of Kirkland Lake.
- Council resolved to cancel the Lease Agreement between the Town and the Ontario Heritage Trust, divesting itself from its interest for the property located at 2 Château Drive, commonly known as Sir Harry Oakes Château, and operating as the Museum of Northern History, effective December 31, 2024. Council also approved engaging the services of WSCS Consultants Inc. to provide options on the transformation of culture services in the Town of Kirkland Lake. View the Town’s [Media Release](#) for more details.
- Council authorized the CAO to execute a **sole source** agreement with **EXP Services Inc.** in the sum of \$554,090,00 + HST, being **fully funded by partnership**, to complete **engineering and design** of Town **water infrastructure rehabilitation in central Kirkland Lake**. Council further **authorized the submission** of an application to the [Housing-Enabling Water Systems Funds](#).
- Council **declared** the North Parts of **Part Mining Claim L1354 & L6787 as surplus land and authorized the sale** of both Mining Claims on Archer Drive to the **Temiskaming Native Women’s Support Group** for the sum of **\$5.00 in the name of Reconciliation**.