The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Council Report

Report Number CEM2019-001

Date:	July 16,	2019
Time:	 	
Place:	Council	Chambers
Ward Community Identifier: 3		
Title:		Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board Transition Update
Description:		Update on plan for transition of Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board into the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board
Author a	nd Title:	Craig Shanks, Director of Community Services
Recommendation(s):		
That Report CEM2019-001, Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board Transition Update, be received.		
Department Head:		
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:		
Chief Administrative Officer:		

Background:

At the Council Meeting of December 11, 2018 Council adopted the following resolution:

That the proposed terms of reference for various legislated and non-legislated Committees and Boards of Council, as outlined in Appendix B and C to Report CAO2018-006, save and except Appendices C2 being the Bobcaygeon Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Fund Grant Committee, C3 being the Lindsay Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Fund Grant Committee, and C6 being the Fenelon Falls Museum Board, be approved, and replace all predecessor versions of terms of reference; and

Terms of Reference were not provided for the Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board. The previous Council recommended that this Board consolidate with the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board. Correspondence was received from the Board, dated November 29, 2018 (see Appendix A) requesting that Council maintain the current Board to allow time for them to review and provide recommendations to Council on this Board. They have committed to a report back to Council in Q1 2019. Councillor Elmslie is recommended for reappointment to this Board (under their current terms of reference) to oversee and assist in this review and report back.

This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

Through discussions with the Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board a plan has been implemented to consolidate the Board with the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Committee for January 1, 2023 (end of the current Council term).

This action will allow staff to work with the Cemetery Board and caretaker on its operations and will also allow the current Board and its Council representative to complete their terms. Staff are already working with the cemetery caretaker on various operations and will continue to do so until the 2023 merger.

A merger will see the Fenelon Falls Cemetery be managed within the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board portfolio. This will allow for a smooth transition for the cemetery operations and management.

Other Alternatives Considered:

Council could choose to implement a merger sooner, however this is not being recommended based on the wishes of the volunteer Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board and to allow them to complete their term and for a smooth transition into the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board transition.

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To: Mayor and Council City of Kawartha Lakes

From: Mrs. J. Walter Chairman Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board

Re. Report CAO 2018-006 Committees Update and Terms of Reference.

Thank you for receiving this letter and for consideration of the request from The Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board. On Nov. 29th the Chairman, Secretary, Custodian and Ward 3 Councillor met with the Director of Community Services. At that meeting the recommendation to merge the F.F. Cemetery Board with the City of Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board was discussed. It was the first time that Board members were made aware of the proposal.

In light of this, we would request a deferral of the decision to the first quarter of 2019, in order to allow all members of the FF Cemetery Board to be made aware of the proposal, at its' next regularly scheduled meeting. The Director of Community Services is in agreement with this proposal.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Jackie Walter

Chairman

Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board