

Town of Renfrew Council Summary

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Full Agenda can be found here.

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Parks and Recreation Master Plan Presentation: Thinc, a contracted third-party consultant presented a 10-Year Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Master Plan to Renfrew Town Council. This strategic document is intended for use in annual planning and budgeting processes, offering recommendations based on comprehensive data and trends relevant to Renfrew and its surrounding areas. Full versions of the master plans are available on the website here.

Ma-te-Way Expansion Third Party Review (Final Report): WSCS Consulting delivered the final report on the *Ma-te-Way Expansion Third Party Review* to the Council. This presentation builds upon the previous reports and recommendations submitted to Council on December 19, 2023, and March 21, 2024. The complete report is now accessible online here.

New Policies: Council approved the adoption of two new policies for *Street Sweeping* and *Electronic Radar Speed Signs*.

<u>Community Improvement Planning Grant (CIP):</u> Council approved a CIP Grant in the amount of \$3,500 to Goulet Funeral Home Ltd. for parking lot/landscaping improvements.

<u>Construction Awards:</u> Council approved the award of construction for Eighth Street to Thomas Cavanagh Construction Ltd. and Dominion & Quarry Street reconstruction to McCrea Excavating.

<u>Friends of the Caboose Update:</u> Council authorized the funding of \$6,312.32 to cover the additional balance for the remedial work on the caboose and decals.

Renfrew Fair Parking on Veteran's Memorial Boulevard: Council authorized parking on the Veterans Memorial Boulevard next to Queen Elizabeth School for the Renfrew Fair. Discussion at Committee of the Whole directed staff to consider future changes to the Town's parking by-law to address future parking issues related to the Fair. Additionally, the Fair Board has been asked to provide two signs to warn drivers and help with traffic.

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<u>Council Composition for the 2026 - 2030 Term of Council:</u> Following public consultation, Council voted to eliminate the 'Reeve' position, with the Mayor to serve as the representative for the County Council. Additionally, the 'Reeve' position will be replaced by a new 'Councillor' role, and a Deputy Mayor will be appointed on a rotating basis among Council members. These changes will take effect starting with the 2026–2029 term of Council.

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