

Township of Southgate Council Meeting Highlights April 6, 2022

- Council awarded the Building and By-law departments vehicle tenders to Trillium Ford Lincoln Ltd. for two hybrid AWD Escape SUVs for the building department. The building department's existing 2018 Ford Escape will be transferred to the by-law department.
- Council awarded the Lawn Maintenance Contract to Dwayne's Lawn Care, from Wingham, Ontario.
- Council approved a grant of \$2,500 to the Holstein Agro Expo & Rodeo 2022 events. The rodeo and sheep shearing contest will be held in July 15, 16 and 17th 2022 and the organization estimates that 6000 people participate and/or benefit from the event, with 2000 of those being Southgate residents.
- Council amended the 2022 council calendar to change the start time of the April 20, 2022 meeting to start at 1:00 pm. This amendment was made because the Clerks from member municipalities in Grey County have put together a virtual Candidate and Third Party Information Session event in anticipation of the Municipal Election this October that is being held on April 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm.
- Council approved the Police Service Board's False Alarm By-law for the purposes of recouping the costs of police response to at fault false alarms. The by-law can be found on our website here.
- Council directed staff to proceed with the consideration of constructing 10 affordable
 housing units as an additional floor in the new Dundalk South-East Grey community
 Health Centre building as a dedicated space for 10 units of affordable residential space.
 Council also directed staff to look into financing the project through Infrastructure
 Ontario.
- Council approved the appointment of Leonard Longtin as a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer for the Township of Southgate. Congratulations Leonard!
- Council supported the Library Board's decision to stop the collection of overdue fines for library materials. Staff's research showed that Libraries that have implemented a fines free policy have reported an increase in materials returned and a savings in book replacement costs.
- Councillor Dobreen extended congratulations to the youth of the Hanley Institute in Flesherton on their production of Agnes McPhail this past weekend as they did a great job and the turn our far exceeded their expectations. Congratulations to all.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Police Service Board Electronic May 17, 2022 @ 9:00AM
- Council Meeting Electronic April 20, 2022 @ 1:00AM
- Ruth Hargrave Memorial Library Board *Electronic* April 21, 2022 @ **6:00PM** Click here to subscribe to County Connection, produced by the County of Grey.
- *Additional Council and Committee meeting information can be found on the calendar located on the homepage of Southgate's Website