

Hello everyone

Judging by the weather over the past few days you would think summer has already arrived but it's only the first few days of June. I hope you are enjoying the warm weather and bright sunshine.

There's lots going on in the township this month. Last Saturday two events were held recognizing recent accomplishments. The grand opening of the new public works facility in Centreton was a huge success. It was open to everyone and was an opportunity for residents young and old to see the building and its modern characteristics. On Behalf of the crowd attending, thanks to the public works department for organizing this great event, that featured barbeque hamburgers and hotdogs, and a big cake with the picture of the new facility on it. The master chef (Brian) obviously knows how to barbeque a great burger.

On Saturday evening Council members joined the firefighters for awards recognizing fire fighters' years of service of both active and recently retired members. The event also included formal recognition and welcoming new members who have joined our volunteers service over the past few years.

Special guests included MP Phil Lawrence and Northumberland County Warden Mandy Martin, who both in their speeches recognized the commitment and sacrifices it takes for both the firefighters and their families to be successful volunteers. Also noted was the fact many new recruits were females a sign of the changing times. Thanks to Chief Dawson and his team for organizing this event.

On June 25 the Township will celebrate Canada Day at the Haldimand Memorial Arena. Because of Covid the past few years the celebrations were kept low key. This year will see more of what people have been accustomed to including a parade, and added in the arena will be representatives from Doc-u-pet, for licensing your dog. Northumberland County Paramedics, will be there to discuss daily home visits for the elderly and others needing assistance. We look forward to seeing you there.

This month we say goodbye to two senior staff members moving on to new opportunities. Our CAO Troy Gilmour, who joined the Township in 2012 as the Public Works Manager until his promotion to CAO in 2020 leaves to take on the CAO position with the Township of Frontenac Islands, just East of Kingston. Jennifer Current, senior planner with AH for the past four years has accepted a similar position with her hometown, Hamilton Township. We thank you both for your service, professionalism and commitment to Alnwick Haldimand Township and wish both of you all the best in your new journey.

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