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Staff Report CL2021-034

Title of Report: CL2021-034- Source Protection Committee Municipal Member Appointment
Department: Clerks
Branch: Legislative and Council Services
Council Date: December 1, 2021

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Council receive Staff Report CL2021-034 as information; and **That** the Council of the Township of Southgate support the nomination of Councillor John Sepulis as the Wellington, Halton, Dufferin and Grey Municipal Representative on the Lake Erie Source Protection Committee.

Background:

On November 8, 2021, correspondence was received from the Lake Erie Source Protection Region requesting a joint nomination and re-appointment of Councillor John Sepulis (Township of Puslinch) to the Lake Erie Source Protection Committee.

The correspondence is included in this report as Attachment #1. The correspondence was sent to all Clerks in Grey, Dufferin, Wellington and Halton regions.

Staff Comments:

The Lake Erie Source Protection Committee guided the development of the Grand River Source Protection Plan. The Plan sets out the policies for reducing, eliminating or preventing significant threats to municipal drinking water supplies and establishes who has responsibility for taking action, sets timelines and determines how progress will be measured. The Lake Erie Source Protection Committee consists of 24 people from three sectors (7 each): municipal, public and business and three Indigenous representatives. The term of a member is for four years.

Councillor Sepulis has served as the Wellington, Halton, Dufferin and Grey Municipal Representative on the Lake Erie Source Protection Committee since 2017. His current term ends in November 2021. The Lake Erie Source Protection Region is proposing a re-appointment of Councillor Sepulis for a one and half year term until spring 2023. Councillor Sepulis has expressed an interest in continuing in the role of Municipal Representative.

The reason for a one and half year reappointment at this time is due the number of municipalities this position represents and the upcoming municipal election. The Lake Erie Source Protection Region would like to align the four-year term with the municipal election cycle as the newly elected Councils could then consider the appointment or re-appointment of this position in conjunction with Council decisions on representatives to other committees or Boards. Following the Fall 2022 municipal election, Lake Erie staff would contact all the municipal clerks to initiate a joint nomination process for the Spring 2022 to Spring 2026 four-year term.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications to the Township as a result of this report.

Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:

This report has been written and presented to Council to communicate accurate information to the public.

Concluding Comments:

Staff are recommending that Council support the nomination of Councillor Sepulis as the Wellington, Halton, Dufferin and Grey municipal representative on the Lake Erie Source Protection Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dept. Head: *Original Signed By*
Lindsey Green, Clerk

Dept. Head: *Original Signed By*
Jim Ellis, Public Works Manager/Risk Management Official

CAO Approval: *Original Signed By*
Dave Milliner, CAO

Attachments: Lake Erie Source Protection Correspondence – Committee Municipal Member Nomination