

## **TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON**

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council

PREPARED BY: Dwayne Evans, CAO/Clerk

DATE: 04/09/2018

SUBJECT: Town Hall Public Meeting, 2018

**ATTACHMENTS:** Town Hall Public Meeting Procedures

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receives the report of the CAO/Clerk, dated September 4, 2018, regarding a Town Hall Public Meeting;

**AND FURTHER, THAT** Council directs staff to advertise a Town Hall Public Meeting (Special Council Meeting) to be held on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Wingham Town Hall Theatre; and

**AND FURTHER, THAT** Council directs staff to provide a copy of the notice of the Town Hall Meeting to all 2018 municipal election Council candidates.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Section 5.9 of Council's Procedural By-law (By-law 18-2016) states that Council will hold a minimum of one Town Hall Public Meeting per year. At the August 13, 2018 Council directed staff to proceed with the scheduling of a Town Hall Public Meeting in September. At this same meeting there was also a discussion about inviting all 2018 municipal election Council candidates to attend.

Staff have reviewed the September meeting date calendar and are recommending the Town Hall Public Meeting be held on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Wingham Town Hall Theatre. In 2016 this meeting was held in Blyth and in 2017 the meeting was held in Belgrave.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Town Hall Public meetings provide members of our community with an opportunity to speak with Council on matters of interest.

The attached procedure outlines the meeting procedures for a Town Hall Public meeting including establishing the agenda and dealing with topics of discussion and presentations from the public. Similar to last year's approach, it is recommended an outside facilitator be engaged to moderate the session.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

None of the items in this report have a direct financial impact on the 2018 budget.

#### **FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS**

This year's Town Hall Public meeting will educate and inform the next term of Council.

# **RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Our citizens are engage and well informed – We solicit communication from residents and promote citizen engagement.

Dwayne Evans, CAO/Clerk

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