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COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, Operations and Planning – January 17, 2024

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Council approved the rezoning of 52 Maynooth Station Road for a tourist establishment use. Council accepted part of Brethour Road as part of a severance. Council supported a Consent Application with recommended conditions to the County of Hastings.



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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

At the beginning of each fiscal year, Council is asked to approve a bylaw to authorize processing of the interim tax levy. As per the *Municipal Act*, a local municipality, before the adoption of the estimates for the year (under Section 290) may pass a bylaw levying amounts on the assessment of property in the local municipality rate for local municipality purposes.

The interim levy for all classes will be divided into two equal installments and due as follows:

- First Installment March 19, 2024
- Second Installment May 21, 2024



Under Section 296(1) of the *Municipal Act*, a municipality shall appoint an auditor licensed under the *Public Accounting Act*. Council approved the audit engagement letter for 2024, as submitted by the municipality's auditor, Baker Tilly KDN LLP. This audit engagement letter prepared by Baker Tilly is a form of contract between the auditor and the municipality detailing each other's duties and responsibilities in performance of the municipal audit for 2024.



CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Council approved an updated Procedure Bylaw (2024-001). Under the *Municipal Act*, every municipality and local board is required to pass a procedure bylaw governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings. A copy of the Municipality's Procedure Bylaw is available on our website and can be made available in an alternate format upon request.

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