



The Corporation of  
**THE TOWNSHIP OF LANARK HIGHLANDS**

## MEDIA RELEASE

*For immediate release  
November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007*

The following are the highlights of the regular Township Council meeting held Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007:

- **Brian Donaldson Appointed Closed Meeting Investigator** – Township Council has appointed Mr. Brian Donaldson as its closed meeting investigator under Section 239.2 of the *Municipal Act*. Mr. Donaldson will be responsible for independently investigating complaints about closed meetings. Mr. Donaldson has extensive experience in the area of municipal affairs, including 25 years with the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. For further information, contact T.J. Simpson, Chief Administrative Officer, at 613-259-2398 x 222.
- **Animal Control Officer Contract Extended** – Council has extended the contract with Animal Control Officer Anita Stuart of Animal Care and Control Services until the end of 2008 with all terms and conditions remaining the same. Ms. Stuart has been providing animal control services to the municipality for several years and also provides similar services to Drummond/North Elmsley Township, the Town of Perth, and Tay Valley Township. For further information, contact T.J. Simpson, Chief Administrative Officer, at 613-259-2398 x 222.
- **Wabalac Road Agreement Renewed** – Council has inked a new 4-year agreement with Greater Madawaska Township for capital improvements and maintenance on the Wabalac Road, a boundary road between Lanark Highlands and Greater Madawaska Township. The original agreement was signed in 2005 and has served both municipalities well. For further information, contact Glenn Kargus, Superintendent of Public Works, at 613-259-2398 x 239.
- **Integrated Sustainable Community Plan (ISCP) Accepted** - Council has accepted the final draft of the ISCP and authorized staff to develop a process to implement the plan, including development of an annual sustainability report card and the establishment of a committee to develop projects for Council's consideration. Council thanks REIC Perth (Alfred Von Mirbach and Bob Argue) for their hard work as well as all the community members who participated in the development of the plan. At its last meeting, Council authorized the submission of the Township's ISCP to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for a sustainability award, presented annually at the FCM Conference in June. For more information, please contact Beth Peterkin, Community Services Coordinator, at 613-259-2398 x 227.
- **State of the Lake Report Received** – Council received the 2007 "State of the Lake" report for White Lake prepared by the Mississippi Valley Conservation. The report, based on data collected during the summer of 2007, indicates that the lake is generally healthy however points to several areas of concern. For more information, please contact Ms. Susan Lee, author of the report, at the MVC office at 613-259-2421.

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