

**Municipality Of Chatham-Kent**  
**Infrastructure and Engineering Services**

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Thomas Kelly, P.Eng., MBA, General Manager  
**Date:** December 20, 2017  
**Subject:** Appointments to Infrastructure, Bridge, Culverts and Roads Innovation Committee

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**Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

1. Jim Steele, Robert Little and Dave Charron be appointed to the Infrastructure, Bridge, Culverts and Roads Innovation Committee as the three members of the public with infrastructure/capital expertise.
2. Council accept Councillor Leon LeClair's resignation from the committee, appoint a replacement and elect a chair.

**Background**

At the June 19, 2017 council meeting the following motion was approved:

"That whereas infrastructure is a huge part of tax payer spending.

Whereas all new methods and new material structures be explored, due to the increasing pressures to divest assets to meet the short falls.

Whereas this will only be successfully accomplished through a strategic task force made up of 4 council members, 3 members of the public with infrastructure/capital expertise, 3 members from the agricultural industry, other levels of government and Chatham-Kent staff. The task force will be led by a Council member.

Therefore, Council support the establishment of the Infrastructure, Bridge, Culverts and Roads Innovation Committee to set the framework and guidelines of its mandate and report back to Council for support and direction by October 16, 2017."

At the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council directed administration to proceed with the public application process for the Committee and bring a report back in July 2017 with the appointments for the committee.

A list of applicants with qualifications was reviewed at the July 17, 2017 closed session meeting. Council at their meeting held July 17, 2017 approved the appointment of Steve

Piche, Kris Harris and Patrick Langan as the agricultural industry representatives, the General Manager of Infrastructure & Engineering, the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Legal Officer and one administrative assistant from Chatham-Kent administration as municipal staff support, and deferred appointments to the committee representing the members with infrastructure/capital expertise as well as other levels of government to a later date. Councillor LeClair was designated as the chair of the committee.

### **Comments**

At the closed session of December 10, 2017, Council reviewed the applicants with infrastructure/capital expertise. In November, Councillor LeClair submitted his resignation from this committee. This vacates one Councillor position and a chair for the committee.

With the appointment of the members with infrastructure/capital expertise and the council representative, this completes the membership of the committee other than representation from other levels of government. Future consideration will be given to the appointment of a representative of upper levels of government should an application be received.

### **Areas of Strategic Focus and Critical Success Factors**

The recommendations in this report support the following areas of strategic focus:

Economic Prosperity:

Chatham-Kent is an innovative and thriving community with a diversified economy

A Healthy and Safe Community:

Chatham-Kent is a healthy and safe community with sustainable population growth

People and Culture:

Chatham-Kent is recognized as a culturally vibrant, dynamic, and creative community

Environmental Sustainability:

Chatham-Kent is a community that is environmentally sustainable and promotes stewardship of our natural resources

The recommendations in this report support the following critical success factors:

Financial Sustainability:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is financially sustainable

Open, Transparent and Effective Governance:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is open, transparent and effectively governed with efficient and bold, visionary leadership

- Has the potential to support all areas of strategic focus & critical success factors
- Neutral issues (does not support negatively or positively)

**Consultation**

None.

**Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications attached to this report.

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Attachment(s): none

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