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COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

1. Township of Bonfield Housing Targets

The 2021 Census shows Bonfield having 1,080 private dwellings, and we need to grow. The report on Bonfield Housing Targets says to meet demand the Township must reach 1,207 households by 2035, that is an increase of 127 homes in the next ten years. The Nipissing District Social Service Administration Board commissioned SHS Consulting to conduct a study on Housing Supply and another on Housing Needs. The studies are linked below. The presentation by Adam Mannella, Manager of Project Development last night indicated the housing stock that is required for the Township is based on these studies. The Township is growing, and it is clear from this evidence-based data that the growth will continue over the next ten years.

- [Nipissing Housing Need and Supply Study - Apr 16 2024](#)
- Housing Targets for Nipissing District [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

2. Drainage Study

Council authorized staff to apply for a drainage project through the University of Waterloo's Capstone Future Cities Project. The final product would be a tabletop design of a drainage plan for the Hamlet of Bonfield that will include drainage patterns, future planning for climate change and propose solutions for low impact development. It will reduce the risk of damage to public and private property, reduce surface water run-off impacts, and contribute to enhanced lake health and water quality in Lake Nosbonsing. The Township will know in the coming weeks if the project is approved, with no costs, and work would begin in May of 2024. The Planning Administrator and the Public Works Manager will be the leaders on this project.

3. Bonfield Strategic Plan 2025-2030

The Township has not had a Strategic Plan since the Economic Development Strategic Plan in 2003. The draft was provided to Council last night along with the background report. Council started work on the Plan in the fall of 2023. The final Strategic Plan is derived from two planning sessions with Council where they were asked a series of questions based on their ideas for Bonfield and from what they heard from residents. Then the Community Satisfaction Survey was completed, and priorities were developed based on the outcomes of community feedback. The background report is worth reading to better understand how the Plan was shaped. The Strategic Plan sets out the Mission, Vision, Guiding Principles, and Strategic Pillars with Goals under each Pillar. The Plan will be presented to the community at the Town Hall meeting on March 18, 2025 at the Community Centre starting at 7:00 pm. The Plan is used to inform decision making and actions that shape what an organization is, who it serves, what it does and why it does it, with a focus on the future.

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