



# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

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## COUNCIL OBSERVES MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOUR OF PAST WARDEN KEN MONTEITH

County Council observed a moment of silence to honour Past Warden Ken Monteith (right), who passed away on February 3, 2023. Mr. Monteith served as Councillor, Deputy Reeve, and Reeve of the Township of Southwold from 1974-1981, and served as Elgin County Warden in 1981. Mr. Monteith also served as a Conservative MP from 1988-1993, and spent many years fundraising and supporting various causes throughout our community.





## COUNCIL RECEIVES 2022 REPORT FROM ELGIN-ST. THOMAS SOCIAL SERVICES

County Council received a delegation from St. Thomas-Elgin Social Services with their 2022 programs and services update. The update included information from Children's Services, Ontario Works, and Housing and Homelessness Services. Updates included programs and services offered in each area, new programs and service enhancements in 2022, the number of program participants, and relevant statistics.

A copy of the presentation can be found in the February 14, 2023, County Council agenda package or [here](#).

## COUNCIL RECEIVES DELEGATION FROM WILDSCAPE CO.



Elgin County Council received a presentation from John Loerchner, CEO of Wildscape Co. and Cabinscape Co., on Project Sinkhouse. Mr. Loerchner shared information on sustainable building, affordable housing and recent projects underway with Lanark County.

To learn more, please see the February 14, 2023, County Council agenda package found [here](#), or view the presentation on our [YouTube channel](#).

## COUNCIL GRANTS DRAFT PLAN APPROVAL FOR PLAN OF SUBDIVISION IN BAYHAM

County Council granted draft plan approval to the Draft Plan of Subdivision proposed by CJDL Engineering Ltd. for Part of Lot 11, Registered Plan 258, Part of Lot 22, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Eden in the Municipality of Bayham. The subject lands are located between Plank Road and the former Canadian Pacific Railway right-of-way, south of Gray Street, in the community of Eden. The owner requested approval of a five-hectare plan of subdivision composed of 33 residential lots and a stormwater management block, accessed by two new local public roads on partial services (a combination of municipal sanitary sewage service and private individual on-site wells).

## 2023 PROPOSED PROJECT DEFERRALS

County Council considered a presentation detailing the potential budget implications and risks (financial and non-financial) of the deferral of two reconstruction projects: Fingal Line (CR16) Reconstruction and the St. George Street (CR26) Reconstruction. County Council requested that staff prepare a follow-up report with more information about the ten-year capital plan along with scenarios, options and recommendations for Council's consideration at its next meeting.

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## COUNCIL CONSENTS TO REVIEW OF PARKING BY-LAW

County Council considered correspondence received from the Municipality of West Elgin requesting that the County review its Parking By-Law EC-1. The By-Law was first adopted in 2001 and has not received a comprehensive review in some time. County Council directed staff to review the by-law in collaboration with its local municipal partners in order to achieve consistency across the County.



**For the complete February 14, 2023, County Council Agenda Package, please visit the [Elgin County website](#).**