
HALDIMAND COUNTY

Report CLE-04-2021 Citizen Appointments – Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee



For Consideration by Council in Committee on October 26, 2021

OBJECTIVE:

To appoint citizens to the newly established Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Report CLE-04-2021 Citizen Appointments – Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee be received;
2. AND THAT Memorandum CLE-M01-2021 Addendum to Report CLE-04-2021 Citizen Appointments – Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee be received and remain confidential;
3. AND THAT the following individuals be appointed as members of the Seniors Advisory Committee until November 14, 2022: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____.
4. AND THAT the following individuals be appointed as members of the Youth Advisory Committee until November 14, 2022: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____.

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Approved: Craig Manley, MCIP, RPP, Chief Administrative Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

With the establishment of the Seniors Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee, it is necessary to appoint citizen members to each committee so that they can meet and provide input on ongoing corporate projects and initiatives.

BACKGROUND:

At the beginning of this Council term, members of Council made a commitment to develop a seniors advisory committee and a youth advisory committee in order reach out for advice and perspective from both sectors as needed to advise Council. In June 2019, Council adopted Terms of Reference for the Seniors Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee through Report CDP-07-2019. While some preparations were made to initiate the recruitment of members to each committee, the pandemic resulted in a delay, and recruitment resumed earlier this year.

ANALYSIS:

Recruitment for membership on both the Seniors Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee took place largely through public notice on the County's website and related social media posts. While the recruitment period took place through summer months, the deadline for applications

was extended to September 30, 2022 to ensure sufficient exposure throughout the community. Additional promotion of the recruitment was initiated through radio ads, posters, newspaper ads and the Recreation Guide (Playbook) that was sent to all residences in the County. Targeted outreach also took place through direct contact with local community groups.

Confidential Memorandum CLE-M01-2021 Addendum to Report CLE-04-2021 Citizen Appointments – Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee is included as part of the closed agenda for the October 26, 2021 meeting and attaches copies of citizen applications for the two committees for reference. A total of nine applications were received for the Seniors Advisory Committee and six applications were received for the Youth Advisory Committee. The applications were reviewed by staff and by Councillors Lawrence and Shirton, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Community & Development Services business division, in accordance with the approved process to be applied to citizen appointments to boards and committees. In view of the limited time remaining in the current Council term, it is recommended that the current appointees be reappointed at the beginning of the next term of Council without having to go through the application process again.

Copies of the Terms of Reference for each committee are also included as Attachments 1 and 2 to this report.

Council appointees to the newly established Seniors Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee will be considered as part of Report CLE-03-2021 Council Appointments as of November 15, 2021, at the November 1, 2021 Council meeting.

FINANCIAL/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

STAKEHOLDER IMPACTS:

Members of both the Seniors Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee will be asked for input on a broad range of topics that Council and staff may be considering and working on over the course of a term of Council.

One member from each of these two committees will also be appointed as a representative on the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference for that committee. Those appointments will be presented to Council at an upcoming meeting.

REPORT IMPACTS:

Agreement: No

By-law: No

Budget Amendment: No

Policy: No

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Seniors Advisory Committee Terms of Reference
2. Youth Advisory Committee Terms of Reference