

## Speeding concerns on Hurricane Road addressed

A delegation of concerned residents who live on Hurricane Road in Fonthill made their apprehensions about speeding known to Town Council. Sheila Volchert, speaking on behalf of a group who live on, or on streets intersecting Hurricane Road, voiced a growing trepidation over both the speed and influx of vehicles using the road as a thoroughfare.

"As noted by numerous residents who are present tonight, we are extremely concerned and worried about the future," she said. "We project this situation getting increasingly worse as further development continues at Highway 20 and Rice Road as well as Highway 20 and Station Street respectively."

Council, having experimented in other areas of town with varying traffic-calming measures, will have staff review Volchert's ideal request of a four-way stop sign at Hurricane Road and Station Street, as well as all other possible solutions.

## Update on cankerworms and gypsy moths

Based on complaints of cankerworms and gypsy moths, Town of Pelham staff assessed the Town-owned trees in Hillcrest Park through multiple site visits in June. A total of nine property owners complained about the infestation of cankerworms and/or gypsy moths on private trees and on Town trees in Hillcrest Park.

At this time there is no action being taken for the cankerworms, as staff are expecting the trees to recover - reaffirmed by the information provided by an NPCA representative. There is also no action being taken for gypsy moths, as the treatment window has closed and recovery of trees is expected.

Staff have collected information about spray treatment — for both species — that could be performed in the spring of each year. This would require a contingency budget of \$6,000 - \$10,000 per species in the operating budget each year, utilized if an outbreak occurs.

The actual budgetary amount would require firmer requests for information from vendors, with a confirmed scope of whether private trees are included. While other areas were affected, there was no indication that other parks were affected to the same degree as Hillcrest Park.

## Record-breaking Summerfest draws high praise

Though the official report has yet to be compiled, Councillor Gary Accursi was thrilled to announce the record-breaking crowds at this year's Summerfest: over 40,000 people attended the four-day event.

"This Summerfest was the most successful ever," said Accursi. "The feedback we have received has been overwhelmingly positive - we all came to chill on the hill in 2017 and had a good time."

*The full Summerfest report will come later in the Summer.*



## Pelham Town Council

Next meeting: Monday, August 21, 2017

6:30 p.m. Council Chambers

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