



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Corporate Services & Clerk

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Laura Moy, Director Corporate Services & Clerk

Date to Council: November 23, 2021

Report Number: LCS-2021-34

Subject: 2021 Award Nominations

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That Report LCS-2021-34 entitled “2021 Award Nominations” **be received.**

Background

At the September 14, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council, consideration was given to [Report CS-2021-23](#) regarding the Call for 2021 Award Nominations.

At the meeting, approval was given to holding a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, to consider nominations for the 2021 Donald “Donny” Massender Memorial Volunteer Award (Donny Massender Award), 2021 Dr. Henri Breault Community Excellence Award (Dr. Breault Award) and the 2022 Youth of the Year and Senior of the Year Awards (collectively herein after referred to as Awards).

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on the response to the call for nominations.

Comments

In accordance with the Town’s [Awards Policy No. 2](#) (Awards Policy), a Notice of Call for Nominations for each of the Awards was placed in the Essex Free Press on September 30, 2021, in addition to being posted on the Town’s website, and social media (Facebook and Twitter) and displayed in prominent locations in the Town’s facilities (i.e. Town Hall, Tecumseh

Arena). Ongoing posts were shared to the Town's social media for continuous promotion. The Notice was also mailed directly to local charitable and non-profit organizations and shared with Committee Members to help promote these Awards and encourage nomination submissions.

The Policy establishes a deadline for submitting Nominations to the Clerk as October 31st annually.

Dr. Henri Breault Community Excellence Award

The Town established the Dr. Henri Breault Community Excellence Award in 2000 to annually recognize a person who has displayed continued dedication and perseverance to a cause or causes that have ultimately benefited the citizens of the Town and the general population at large.

Recipients of the Dr. Breault Award are recognized for the highest level of excellence and achievement in any field and are the best of Tecumseh's caring and diverse community who stand as a shining example for everyone.

The recipient is not limited to an individual and may include a family, group, or company.

Donald "Donny" Massender Memorial Volunteer Award

The Town of Tecumseh established the Donny Massender Award in 2010 to annually recognize a person who has made exceptional contributions to the citizens of the Town, or the public at large and is well known for his/her work as an outstanding fundraiser, advocate and supporter of charitable organization(s).

Donny was an employee of the Town's Environmental Services area for 28 years and a 33-year member of the Tecumseh Fire & Rescue Services Department. He was also a diligent volunteer, having been a past president with the Tecumseh Goodfellows and a member of the Fr. Nicholas Point Council 4375 Tecumseh Knights of Columbus.

Recipients of the Donny Massender Award are recognized for the highest level of volunteerism and public service and who have demonstrated an unselfish desire to help others and have a compassion to assist those in need.

Senior of the Year Award

Recipients of the Senior of the Year Award are recognized for having enriched the social, cultural or civic life of the community without thought of personal or financial gain.

Recipients of the Senior of the Year Award are nominated to the Ontario Senior of the Year Award which gives each municipality in Ontario the opportunity to honour one outstanding local Ontarian who, after the age of 65, has enriched the social, cultural or civic life of his or her community.

The recipient for the Senior of the Year Award is also nominated for the Senior Achievement Award (Canada) which is awarded to recognize and celebrate outstanding seniors who, after age 65, have made significant contributions to their communities.

Youth of the Year Award

The Town of Tecumseh and Youth Advisory Committee established the Youth of the Year Award in 2020 to annually recognize, an individual who is 23 years of age or under, for their contributions to the community.

Recipients of the Youth of the Year Award are recognized for displaying continued dedication and leadership and are the best of Tecumseh's caring and diverse community who stand as a shining example for everyone. The recipient will have enriched the social, cultural or civic life of the community that has ultimately benefited the citizens of the Town and the general public at large without thought of personal or financial gain.

2021 Nominations

Following the close of submissions on October 31st, no nominations were received for any of the Awards.

Names of past recipients for these Awards are shown on the list appended as [Attachment 1](#).

The years in which nominations have not been received for an award can also be seen in the attachment.

Consultations

None

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2019-22 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that Tecumseh's current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of Tecumseh's plans and priorities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town's "continuous improvement" approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town's leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable ☒

Website ☐

Social Media ☐

News Release ☐

Local Newspaper ☐

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment Number	Attachment Name
1	Award Past Recipients & Nominations