

Motion to Repeal the Community Flag Raising Policy

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Community Flag Raising Policy



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Policy & Procedures

Section: 1.0 Facilities

Policy: Community Flag Raising Policy

By-Law: 2018-62

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Coverage:

This policy shall establish the framework to govern requests for flag raisings and to establish a consistent protocol for flying of flags at the community flag pole at the entrance to Memorial Park and the Ripley-Huron Community Centre.

Policy Statement:

The Township of Huron-Kinloss recognizes that flags are important symbols that can enhance public awareness or activities, identifies significant events and historical commemorations.

Legislative Authority:

N/A

Contents:

The community flag raising to: celebrate achievement, to help increase public awareness of their programs and activities, acknowledge an organization that has achieved national or international distinction or made a significant contribution to the community, or an organization that has helped to enhance the Township of Huron-Kinloss in a positive manner.

1. Community Flag Pole

Township of Huron-Kinloss has one community flag pole located at the entrance to Memorial Park and the Ripley-Huron Community Centre.

2. Flag Raising Criteria

The following flags shall be permitted that

- i. Support of fund-raising drives;
- ii. Celebrate achievement;
- iii. Celebrate multi-cultural and civic events;
- iv. Help increase public awareness of programs and activities;
- v. Acknowledge an organization that has achieved national or international distinction or made a significant contribution to the community

- vi. Organization that has helped to enhance the Township of Huron-Kinloss in a positive manner.

The Community Flagpole will not be used to fly flags

- i. Political Parties or political organizations;
- ii. Religious organizations or religious events or celebrations;
- iii. Celebrations, campaigns or events intended for profit-making purposes;
- iv. Supporting discrimination, hatred, violence or prejudice; and
- v. In support of groups, organizations, or events that promote beliefs contrary to other Township policies;

3. General Rules

- i. Approvals and use of the Community Pole will be granted on a first come-first served basis;
- ii. Flag raisings shall be in connection with a particular event by an organization;
- iii. An organization's flag shall be flown no more than once per calendar year; organizations shall be required to submit flag raising requests on an annual basis;
- iv. A flag shall be flown for a period of up to one week, or for the duration of the associated event, whichever is less; and,
- v. Flags shall only be raised and lowered on those business days that the Township Office is open.

4. Applications for use of the Community Flagpole

- i. All requests will be made in writing to the Clerk at least 4 weeks prior to the day requested for the raising on the flag.
- ii. Each application will be approved by resolution of Council.

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Pride flags, such as the one shown in the photo, and other interest group flags are at the centre of a new ban by the township of Norwich, Ont. The head of Oxford County Pride has filed a complaint to the Ontario Human Rights Commission, arguing council's move is discriminatory. (Jane Roberston/CBC)

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Scott Nixon

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SOUTH HURON – The rainbow Pride flag won't be flown in South Huron on municipal flagpoles this June.

