

Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

## Memorandum to Council

Subject:	Citizen Awards	
Agenda Date:	January 21, 2020	
Attachments:		

## RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee that;

- The 2020 Citizen of the Year be presented to Gerald Stroud;
- The 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award be presented to Lorne Pacey, Niki Plumstead and Jim Kitts;
- The 2020 Posthumous Lifetime Achievement Award be presented to Marcello Bernardo and Gary Potts;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to organize the presentation of the awards including the purchase a small gift of recognition.

## **INFORMATION**

In 2014, Council established the following categories for Citizen Awards. Awards could be for an individual, couple, family, or a group of persons. The names of the individuals will be engraved on a plaque and displayed at the Municipal Office.

**Citizen of the Year:** It is recommended that one award is presented each year to a person, persons or group that has improved the quality of life for the people of Temagami in that year. It is recommended that this be kept to one award per year, to maintain the significance of the award; however, it is also recommended that there be some flexibility allowed so that in special circumstances, where a tie is clearly evident, a second award may be awarded in a given year at the discretion of Council.

Lifetime Achievement Award: It is recommended that this award is presented to a person or persons or group that has enhanced the quality of life for the people of Temagami on an ongoing basis for an extended period of time. While it may be anticipated that this award would be presented to a person or persons in their senior years, it should be recognized that a person does not necessarily have to have reached the age of 65 years (or any other set age) in order to have made a sufficiently significant positive impact on the community to be considered for a lifetime achievement award. It is recommended that this be kept to one award per year and that there may be some years where no award is presented, to maintain the significance of the award; however, it is also recommended that there be some flexibility allowed so that in special circumstances, where a tie is clearly evident, a second award may be awarded in a given year at the discretion of Council.

**Posthumous Lifetime Achievement Award:** There have already been some outstanding individuals in Temagami who are now deceased, having left the community a better place for them having been here. Additionally, there may be occasions in the future when an individual passes away who is deserving of a lifetime achievement award, but who had not yet been recognized for such during their lifetime. It is recommended that this is not intended to be simply a memorial for deceased individual, but to recognize someone who has left a lasting legacy of benefit to the community. It is recommended that in the first two

years of the program additional awards may be given in order to "catch up", but that in future years, the amount be restricted in the same way as the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Respectfully Submitted: Suzie Fournier Municipal Clerk