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Re: Announcement - Kelly Ash 15 Year Service Award

Speech Announcing Kelly Ash - 15 Years Service Award

Kelly Ash joined our team in June 2009 as Planning and Development Technician where she was responsible for processing subdivision applications, issuing new civic addresses and responding to countless public inquiries for zoning information and mapping. Not having worked in a municipal environment previously, this was a great opportunity for Kelly to learn, and learn she did. Early on it became apparent that Kelly was a quick learner, had a great work ethic and a positive attitude when working with staff and members of the public, which were precisely the qualities needed when she transitioned to her role as Development Officer in 2012. Kelly quickly became the ‘go-to’ resource helping property owners, developers, surveyors, and builders navigate the myriad policies and regulations related to subdivision and land use. In 2014, her title was changed to Manager of Development Services to recognize and reflect her expanding duties in development control including responsibility for the Building Inspection, Fire Inspection and By-law Enforcement functions.

Kelly is currently transitioning the East Hants Emergency Management Coordinator duties to our Manager of Protective Services which makes it a great opportunity to recognize her achievements in carrying us through a global pandemic, numerous floods, major snow events and several hurricanes. Like everything, Kelly threw herself into this role with intellect, passion and an innate ability to connect with people.

It has been a very busy 15 years for Kelly and we’re grateful to have her on our team supporting the ever-expanding development industry in East Hants.

Please join us in celebrating 5 years of valuable service to the community. Congratulations, Kelly!

