

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2007**

A Regular Council meeting was held following Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, 21 February 2007 in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance: Mayor David Guergis
Deputy Mayor Terry Dowdall
Councillor Sandie Macdonald
Councillor Rick Newlove
Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance: Greg Murphy, CAO/Manager of Public Works
Carol Trainor, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer
Paul Macdonald, Fire Chief
Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning and Development
Julie Barrett, Treasurer

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis opened the Regular Council meeting at 7:22 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: C47-2007 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and
That the minutes of Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings held on the Seventh day of February, 2007 be adopted as circulated.*

Carried

4. PRESENTING, REFERRING OR PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

Resolution No: C48-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #12C dated December 31, 2006 in the amount of \$316,370.96 be approved; and
That Payment Voucher #2B dated February 1 to 14, 2007 in the amount of \$410,382.16 be approved.*

Carried

5. CORRESPONDENCE – Information Items (Available in the Clerk’s office)**

- a. Letters from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**
Re: NVCA Fees Policy
Clean Water Act and Role of Conservation Authorities
- b. Letter from the City of Barrie**
Re: Additional Well Supply Capacity Class Environmental Assessment
- c. Letter from the Ministry of Finance**
Re: Municipally Owned Vehicles, Fuel Tax Act
- d. Letter for the Premier of Ontario**
Re: Base Assessment for Municipalities
- e. Letter from Residents**
Re: The Gibson Cultural Centre
- f. Letter from Barrie & District Christmas Cheer**
Re: Thank you
- g. Letter from Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat**
Re: The Order of Ontario
- h. Media Release from Royal Victoria Hospital**
Re: RVH recognized internationally for good governance
- i. AMO Member Communication Items**
Re: TORC Youth Forum

Resolution No: C49-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Information Items 5(a) to (i) be received.

Carried

6. CORRESPONDENCE - Action Items

a. Funding of 2-1-1 Service

Resolution No: C50-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the recommendation from the County of Simcoe regarding funding of the 2-1-1 service be received; and that the Township of Essa does endorse the recommendation of the County of Simcoe that the 2-1-1 service should be fully funded by the Province of Ontario.

Carried

b. Resolution from the Town of Newmarket

Resolution No: C51-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the resolution from the Town of Newmarket regarding the use of fluorescent yellow green school signs be received; and that The Township of Essa does endorse the

Resolution requesting the Province of Ontario to review and amend the Highway Traffic Act regarding school area signage, and to provide approval for the use of fluorescent yellow green school signage.

Carried

c. Resolution from the Township of Lanark Highlands

Resolution No: C52-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the resolution from the Township of Lanark Highlands regarding regulations for the use of off road vehicles be received.

Carried

d. Resolution from the Township of Scugog

Resolution No: C53-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Township of Scugog regarding JEPP grants be received; and that The Township of Essa does endorse the resolution seeking a revision to the funding formula and application process for the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program to increase grants available for emergency preparedness purposes and to reduce funding limitations.

Carried

e. Resolution from the Nottawasaga Police Services Board

Resolution No: C54-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that the resolution from the Nottawasaga Police Services Board regarding the composition of Police Service Boards be received; and that The Township of Essa does support the Board in their petition to provide equal representation by all participating municipalities on a Police Services Board.

Carried

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Nottawasaga Police Services Board

Resolution No: C55-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Nottawasaga Police Services Board dated December 13, 2006 be received.

Carried

b. Economic Development Committee

Resolution No: C56-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Economic Development Committee dated January 10, 2007 be received.

Carried

c. Parks and Recreation Committee

Resolution No: C57-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee dated February 5, 2007 be received.

Carried

8. PETITIONS

9. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. Baxter Pumphouse Tender Results

Councilor Henderson enquired if there was a significant difference between these quotes and those originally received last year. Mr. Murphy confirmed that a savings of \$90,236 was achieved from the first tender call in 2006, although these quotes still exceed estimates.

Resolution No: C58-2007 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the tender submitted by Gibson Contracting, Orangeville for the upgrades required at the Baxter Pumphouse on Marshall Crescent, be accepted as per Township specifications in the total amount of \$418,258.00 plus GST; and further

That TSH Engineering be authorized to arrange for the necessary work to be completed pending approval of the "buy in" agreement presently being negotiated with the Town of New Tecumseth

And also

Be it resolved that the tender submitted by Marathon Drilling Co. Ltd. for the supply and installation of watermain, fire hydrant leads and valves in the Baxter area be accepted as per Township specifications in the total amount of \$573,520.00 plus GST; and further

That TSH Engineering be authorized to arrange for the necessary work to be completed.

Carried

b. Weed Inspectors Course

Resolution No: C59-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Henderson

WHEREAS Weed Inspection and weed management enforcement is a legislated duty of municipalities; and

WHEREAS this duty is the responsibility of the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer and included in the Appointment By-law of this Officer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer be registered to attend the annual Weed Inspectors Conference being held at the University of Guelph on Thursday, April 12, 2007; and

THAT payment of the registration fee of \$60.00, hotel and mileage expenses be approved in advance of the 2007 budget.

Carried

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. BY-LAWS

a. By-law 2007 – 8

Resolution No: C60-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 8, being a by-law to remove from the Part Lot Control provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 1, Lot 46 and Part of Block 109, being Parts 1 to 7 of 51R-35210 on Plan 51M-844 (Lands) for Nottawasaga Village; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

12. QUESTIONS

13. IN CAMERA

Resolution No: C61-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Council proceed In Camera at 7:40 p.m. in order to address matters pertaining to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Municipal or local board employees.

Carried

Council moved out of the closed session at 8:07 p.m. and ratified the following recommendations:

a. Additional Lead Hand/Assistant Roads Supervisor

Resolution No: C62-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that Confidential Report PW-07-15 from the CAO/Public Works Manager be received; and further That Bob Morrison be appointed Lead Hand/Assistant Roads Supervisor effective February 26, 2007.

Carried

b. Revised Pay Equity Plan

Resolution No: C63-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Confidential Report PW-07-14 from the CAO/Public Works Manager be received; and further That the revised Pay Equity Plan, as attached hereto, be approved.

Carried

c. Sewer/Lateral Development Charges

Resolution No: C64-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Confidential Report PW-07-13 from the CAO/Public Works Manager be approved.

Carried

14. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No: C65-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

By-law 2007 - 9

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 -9, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this Twenty First Day of February 2007; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

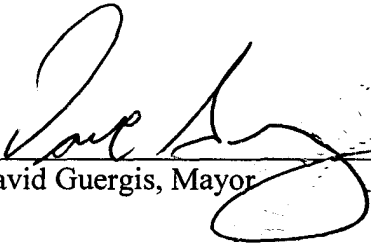
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15. ADJOURNMENT

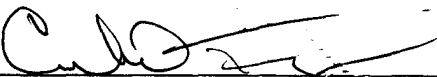
Resolution No: C66-2007 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn at 8:12 p.m. to meet again on the Seventh day of March 2007 following Committee of the Whole.

Carried



David Guergis, Mayor



Carol O. Trainor, Clerk