

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 20 JUNE 2007**

A Regular Council meeting was held following Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, 20 June 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
Jim Hosick, Acting Manager of Planning and Development
Julie Barrett, Treasurer

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis opened the Regular Council meeting at 8:00 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: C203-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

*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 Sixth day of June, 2007 be adopted as circulated.*

Carried

4. PRESENTING, REFERRING OR PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

Resolution No: C204-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

*Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #6B dated May 26 to June 13, 2007 in the amount of \$3,411,235.03 be approved; and
That Visa Accounts dated April 14 to May 15, 2007 in the amount of \$16,386.96 be approved.*

Carried

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

- a. Letter from the Ministry of Transportation**
Re: Fluorescent Yellow-Green School Signs
- b. Nottawasaga OPP Report**
Re: Provincial Offences Charges for May 2007
- c. Notice from the City of Barrie**
Re: Dunlop Street West Improvements Public Information Centre No. 2
- d. Letter from the Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services**
Re: Mandatory Emergency Management Program
- e. Letters from the Townships of Ramara and Severn**
Re: Appointment of an Integrity Commissioner
- f. Letter from Ainley Group**
Re: Public Information Centre No. 2, Boyne Street Class EA
- g. Media Release from Stevenson Memorial Hospital**
Re: Entire Hospital Board Resigns
- h. Report from Essa Economic Development Centre**
Re: Statistics for May 2007
- i. Letter from the Cobras Football Club**
Re: Newsletter
- j. AMO Member Communication Items**
Re: Ministry of Energy Announces Conservation Fund Renewal
Transitioning Municipalities to the Electricity Market
New Requirements for Lead Control in Drinking Water
Industry-Funded Waste Diversion Program for Electronics
\$20M Municipal Eco-Challenge Fund

Resolution No: C205-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

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

Carried

6. CORRESPONDENCE - Action Items

- a. Resolution from The Town of New Tecumseth**

Resolution No: C206-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Town of New Tecumseth regarding the Canadian Soldiers and Peacekeepers Memorial Wall be received; and that the Township of Essa does support the creation of a suitable memorial for Canadian Soldiers and Peacekeepers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Carried

b. Resolution from the Township of Springwater

Resolution No: C207-2007 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Township of Springwater regarding the Provincial/Municipal Conservation Authority Funding Shortfall be received; and that The Township of Essa does support the resolution ensuring that fair, equitable and sustainable funding is made available to the Conservation Authority.

Carried

c. Thornton Soccer Field

Resolution No: C208-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the letter from the Thornton residents expressing concern about fencing along the soccer field beside their home be received and referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee for a report back to Council.

Carried

d. Resolution from the Town of East Gwillimbury

Resolution No: C209-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Town of East Gwillimbury regarding the regulation of Salvage Yards be received; and that The Township of Essa does support the resolution.

Carried

e. Resolution from the Municipality of Brockton

Resolution No: C210-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the resolution from the Municipality of Brockton regarding Hydro One and the Environmental Assessment process be received; and that The Township of Essa does support the resolution.

Carried

f. Resolution from the City of Port Colbourne

Resolution No: C211-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the resolution from the City of Port Colbourne regarding the regulation of Salvia Divinorum be received.

Carried

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g. Resolution from the Township of Oro-Medonte

Resolution No: C212-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that the resolution from the Township of Oro-Medonte regarding the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport be received; and that The Township of Essa does support the resolution and agree that Simcoe County municipalities promote the value and merits of the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport in their Economic Development information.

Carried

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Essa Parks & Recreation Committee

Resolution No: C213-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Essa Parks and Recreation Committee meeting of May 29, 2007 be approved.

Carried

8. PETITIONS

9. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. Payment of Accounts

Resolution No: C214-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Henderson

WHEREAS The Council of The Township of Essa will be on its summer recess between July 11 and September 5, 2007, and thereby will not be approving the regular payment of accounts;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Treasurer be authorized to pay accounts during Council's summer recess in accordance with the Township's procurement policy, providing that such expenditures have been approved in the 2007 Budget.

Carried

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. BY-LAWS

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a. By-law 2007 – 35

CAO Greg Murphy noted that one addition was made to the fee schedule since distribution to include “summer” surface rates for rentals at the arenas.

Resolution No: C215-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 35, being a by-law to adopt and provide for the imposition of Fees and Charges for services provided by the Township of Essa, and to Repeal By-law 2005-53; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried as amended

b. By-law 2007 – 36

Resolution No: C216-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 36, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into a Pre-Servicing Agreement with the Sarjeant Company for Part Lots 28 and 29, Conc. 4, 5th Line, Brownley Meadows Subdivision; 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: C217-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Council proceed In Camera at 8:15 p.m. in order to address matters pertaining to an identifiable individual, including Municipal or local board employees, and also for a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for Municipal or local board purposes.

Carried

Council moved out of the closed session at 9:00 p.m.

a. Proposal to Discuss the Transfer of Ownership of County Property

The County will be advised that the Township may be interested in purchasing a portion of the site on the east half of Lot 25, Concession 9.

Resolution No: C218-2007 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that Confidential Report PW-07-39 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works concerning possible land acquisition be received.

Carried

b. Utopia Conservation Area

CAO Greg Murphy was directed to send a letter to the NVCA to thank them for the invitation to make a deputation to their Board, and to acknowledge the correspondence received. They should also be advised that the Township would be prepared to drop the legal action subject to receiving the parkland for \$1, as proposed. Staff should arrange to discuss lease of the grist mill with the Friends of Utopia.

Resolution No: C219-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the letter from the NVCA Board concerning the Utopia Conservation Area be received.

Carried

c. Clerk's Assistant Temporary Replacement

Resolution No: C220-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that Confidential Report C09-2007 from the Clerk be received; and that the Clerk be authorized to contract an experienced short term replacement for the Clerk's Assistant/Information Coordinator position in July.

Carried

d. Administrative Assistant Parks and Recreation Department

Resolution No: C221-2007 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Report PR2007-15 from the Recreation Coordinator/Programmer be received; and further
That the position of Administrative Assistant for the Parks and Recreation Department be posted internally in an effort that the position be filled on a permanent basis.*

Carried

e. Planner

Resolution No: C222-2007 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Henderson

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Be it resolved that the contents of Confidential Report PW-07-40 from the CAO/Public Works Manager be approved.

Carried

14. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2007 - 37

Resolution No: C223-2007 Moved by: Seconded by:

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 37, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this Twentieth Day of June 2007; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

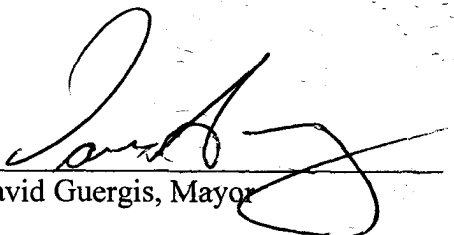
Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

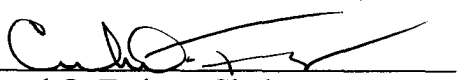
Resolution No: C224-2007 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on the Eleventh day of July 2007 following Committee of the Whole.

Carried



David Guergis, Mayor



Carol O. Trainor, Clerk