

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 2 APRIL 2008**

A Regular Council meeting was held following Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, 2 April, 2008 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: Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning and Development
Paul Macdonald, Fire Chief

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

The resolution for Committee of the Whole item 4c, Verbal Report from the Manager of Planning and Development - Simcoe County and Angus Developers Group Agreement was amended to show the complete resolution.

Resolution No: C85-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

*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 Special Budget, Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings held on the 19th day of March, 2008 be adopted as amended.*

Carried

4. PRESENTING, REFERRING OR PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

Resolution No: C86-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #4 dated March 8 to 26, 2008 in the amount of \$2,807,598.05 be approved; and
That Payroll for the month of March 2008 in the amount of \$148,335.09 be approved.*

Carried

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No: C87-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that the items listed on the Consent Agenda dated April 2, 2008 be approved as presented, and that action be taken as required.

Carried

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Nottawasaga Police Services Board

Resolution No: C88-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that the minutes of the February 28, 2008 Police Services Board meetings be received.

Carried

7. PETITIONS

8. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. BY-LAWS

a. By-law 2008 – 27

Resolution No: C89-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2008 - 27, being a by-law to amend the Township's Zoning By-law, By-Law No. 2003-50, with respect to Church Street, Plan 1333, Angus, Township of Essa; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

b. By-law 2008 – DEFERRED

The Manager of Planning and Development asked that this item be deferred.

c. By-law 2008 – DEFERRED

The Manager of Planning and Development asked that this item be deferred.

d. By-law 2008 – 28

Resolution No: C90-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2008 - 28, being a by-law to appoint a Clerk; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

11. QUESTIONS

Members of the Press had the following questions:

1. Who is the new Clerk? Mike Galloway.
2. Library MIII funding was turned down. So how will Council be proceeding? The Mayor responded that the new Library project was dependant on the funding and that further discussion would be necessary in the future.
3. Has there been any Provincial budget money allocated for Essa? The Mayor responded, saying that Essa is receiving an allocation, but that we have not received an official announcement yet.
4. When is the next Budget meeting? The next budget meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. on April 16th.

Councillor Newlove inquired about the Police Report - False Alarms that are to be charged to business owners.. The Mayor explained that the first two calls are free. After that the third call is \$100, the fourth call is \$200 and the fifth call is \$300. The Mayor indicated he does not support changing the current fee structure.

12. IN CAMERA

Resolution No: C91-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Council proceed In Camera at 6:30 p.m. in order to address matters pertaining to labour relations or employee negotiations, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the Municipality or local board.

Carried

Council rose from the closed session at 6:45 p.m.

a. Appointment of Clerk

Resolution No: C92-2008 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Report PW-08-24 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further
That the contents of this report, together with the attached Offer of Employment correspondence be approved.*

Carried

b. Request to make offer to hire a Senior Accounting Clerk (contract)

Resolution No: C93-2008 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Confidential Report No. TR-2008-14 from the Treasurer be received; and
That the contents of this confidential report be approved.*

Carried

13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2008 - 29

Resolution No: C94-2008 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2008 - 29, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this Second Day of April 2008; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.


Carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: C95-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on the 16th day of April 2008 following Committee of the Whole.

Carried


David Guergis, Mayor


Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk