

**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
WEDNESDAY, 4 JUNE 2008
6:00 p.m.**

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Wednesday, 4 June 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: Greg Murphy, CAO/Manager of Public Works
Mike Galloway, Clerk
Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning and Development
Heather Rutherford, CBO
Paul Macdonald, Fire Chief

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis opened the Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:00 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC MEETINGS

- a. 6:00 Wayne Wilson, CAO and Fred Nix, Chairman, NVCA**
Re: Climate Change – High Demand for Low Water

Mr. Wilson appeared along with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the NVCA and gave a presentation on the changing environment as it related to low water levels in this areas watershed.

- b. 6:15 Ken Johnson**
Re: ATV Use within Essa Township

Mr. Johnson appeared before council to give his opinion on the townships ATV by-law. He indicated he has been in contact with the provincial ATV association to discuss his concern as well.

- c. 7:00 Public Meeting**
Re: Proposed Fee Increases

The Mayor introduced the public meeting and read the introduction explaining the purpose of the public meeting. He then asked for comments from the public and council. Seeing none, the mayor indicated that a by-law was on the agenda for council for adoption.

STAFF REPORTS

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

a. Request for Purchase of Land from the Municipality

Resolution No: CW148-2008 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Dowdall

*Be it resolved that Report P08-51 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That Council denies the request for the sale of land from the parkland block contained within the Thornton Creek subdivision.*

Carried

b. Request for Temporary Second Dwelling - 5450 25th Sideroad

Resolution No: CW149-2008 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Report P08-53 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the Township's Standard Temporary Dwelling Agreement be used to apply to the request of landowners at 5450 25th Sideroad, with the mobile home for farm help to be removed in one year's time with no extensions to be provided.*

Carried

c. Township Fencing By-law

Resolution No: CW150-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Dowdall

*Be it resolved that Report P08-54 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That an amended Fence By-law be presented to Council for their review and consideration.*

Deferred until June 18

d. Township's Official Plan Review

Resolution No: CW151-2008 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report P08-55 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further

That Council set September 3rd, 2008 as the date for the first public meeting concerning the Township's Official Plan.

Carried

e. Sarjeant Development (Devonleigh and Morra Homes) and Brookvalley Development Proposed Zoning By-law Amendments

Resolution No: CW152-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report P08-56 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further

That a Zoning By-law Amendment, in the form attached to this Report be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Carried

5. PARKS AND RECREATION / COMMUNITY SERVICES

6. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

7. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Resident's request to purchase a 20 foot strip of land along north side of "McGeorge Parkland", being Block "A", Plan 1372

Resolution No: CW153-2008 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report PW-08-38 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further

*That Council consider whether or not to sell a 20 foot by 161.88 foot strip of land along the north boundary of Block "A", Plan 1372 to the abutting property owner; and further
That should it be deemed appropriate to do so, establish the terms and conditions for the sale of the subject land as amended.*

Carried

b. Official Opening/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - E. Ross Whiteside Bridge – 5th Line – COMRIF Project #13913

Resolution No: CW154-2008 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report PW-08-40 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received for information.

Carried

c. Quotation for Hydroseeding area south of Skateboard Park

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Resolution No: CW155-2008 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that Report PW-08-41 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further That hydroseeding be applied to the area south of the Skateboard Park/Food Bank Building at an approximate cost of \$1,320.00.

Carried

8. FINANCE

9. CLERKS / BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

a. Canine Control Monthly Reports

Resolution No: CW156-2008 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the Reports from the Canine Control Officer for the months of March and April 2008 be received.

Carried

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk indicated that previous direction had been given to the former Clerk before her departure, to draft a report for the creation of a committee to deal with untidy lots under our by-laws. The Clerk asked if council would still like a report to be presented to council. The Clerk was directed to bring back some information in the near future for council's consideration


The Fire Chief reminded council of the upcoming meetings in relation to the review of paramedic services in the County.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CW157-2008 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Dowdall

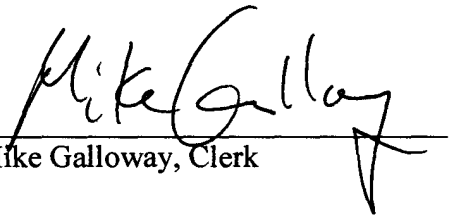
Be it resolved that this meeting of Committee of the Whole of The Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on June 18, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Carried



David Guergis, Mayor

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Mike Galloway, Clerk