

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2008**

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Notice from the County of Simcoe**
Be it resolved that the notice from the County of Simcoe regarding a Public Meeting for the proposed new Official Plan for the County of Simcoe be received.
- b. E-mail from the County of Simcoe**
Be it resolved that the e-mail from the County of Simcoe regarding the Rural Connections Provincial Broadband funding opportunity be received; and that the Township of Essa wishes to participate in Simcoe County's request for funding application.
- c. Letter from Aqua Terre Solutions Inc.**
Be it resolved that the letter from Aqua Terre Solutions Inc. regarding the notification for use of non-potable groundwater site conditions in connection with the former Shell service station at 140 Mill Street be received; and further, based on the site condition standards provided to the municipality by Aqua Terre Solutions Inc., the Township of Essa agrees with the application of MOE Table 3 standards in a non-potable groundwater setting for an industrial/commercial/community land use with respect to the decommission of the subject property.
- d. E-mail from the City of Barrie**
Be it resolved that the e-mail from the City of Barrie regarding the public consultation sessions regarding the potential merger of Barrie Hydro and Powerstream Inc. be received.
- e. Letter from Ainley and Associates Limited**
Be it resolved that the letter from Ainley and Associates Limited regarding the Township of Springwater Class Environmental Assessment for the Midhurst Secondary Plan Area be received.
- f. Letter from the Attorney General**
Be it resolved that the letter from the Attorney General of Ontario regarding the crime rate in Ontario be received.
- g. Letter from Jim Karygiannis, MP Scarborough-Agincourt**
Be it resolved that the letter from Jim Karygiannis, MP Scarborough-Agincourt regarding Bill C-568 – an Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (speed limiters) be received; and that the Township of Essa does / not support this legislation.

- h. Letter from John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke**
Be it resolved that the letter from John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke regarding the gas tax petition be received; and that the Township of Essa does / not support this initiative.
- i. Letter from Contact**
Be it resolved that the letter from Contact regarding Contact's Legacy Courtyard Campaign be received; and that the Township of Essa does / not wish to participate in this initiative by sponsoring a Legacy Stone.
- j. Letter from the Royal Canadian Legion, Edward MacDonald Branch No 499**
Be it resolved that the letter from the Royal Canadian Legion, Edward MacDonald Branch No 499 thanking the Township for their support and contributions toward Peacekeepers Day be received.
- k. Letter from the Thornton Firefighters Association**
Be it resolved that the letter from the Thornton Firefighters Association regarding their annual dance be received; and that Council does agree to waive the rental fee for the community hall on Saturday, September 20, 2008, but the renter remains responsible to pay the applicable SOCAN fees.
- l. Letter from Bruce Normington, County of Simcoe EMS**
Be it resolved that the letter from Bruce Normington regarding a charity ball hockey tournament at the Angus outdoor rink be received; and that Council does agree to waive the rental fee of the outdoor rink on Saturday, September 13, 2008.
- m. Resolution from the Township of Muskoka Lakes**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Township of Muskoka Lakes requesting that the Board of Directors of MPAC improve operations by allocating provincial funds to correct errors, to make errors and backlog of data a priority to complete, and to work with lower and upper tier municipalities to correct these errors be received; and that the Township of Essa does / not support this resolution.
- n. Resolution from the Township of Hilliard**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Township of Hilliard requesting that the Province of Ontario allow the Zenn electric car to be licensed in Ontario be received.
- o. Resolution from the Town of Innisfil**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Town of Innisfil requesting that AMO act as an intervener at the Ontario Energy Board; and that the Chair of the Ontario Energy Board review and amend streetlight distribution rates; and further that the Ontario Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure be requested to ensure that the Ontario Energy Board fulfill its mandate be received; and that the Township of Essa supports this resolution.

- p. Resolution from the Town of Halton Hills**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Town of Halton Hills requesting that the Premier and Attorney General request the Lieutenant Governor in Council to appoint one or more persons to conduct a provincial public inquiry into challenges facing municipalities from the implementation of provincial growth legislation; and that the Township of Essa supports this request.
- q. Resolution from the City of Owen Sound**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the City of Owen Sound requesting the Ontario Government provide a exemption of sales tax for Ontario police service purchases be received; and that the Township of Essa supports this resolution.
- r. Resolution from the City of Owen Sound**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the City of Owen Sound requesting that the Government of Ontario provides a full exemption of provincial sales tax on goods and services to all Ontario municipalities be received; and that the Township of Essa supports this request.
- s. Resolution from the Town of Milton**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Town of Milton requesting that the Minister of the Environment consider a deposit/return system on aluminum and plastic drink containers be received; and that the Township of Essa supports this resolution.
- t. Memorandum from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs**
Be it resolved that the memorandum from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs regarding the *Endangered Species Act* and municipal drains be received.
- u. Memorandum from the Drinking Water Source Protection Committee**
Be it resolved that the memorandum from the Drinking Water Source Protection Committee regarding the consultation period for the proposed draft 2 of the Source Water Protection Terms of Reference documents be received.
- v. Ontario Municipal Board Decision**
Be it resolved that the Ontario Municipal Board decision regarding Brookvalley Developments Ltd. be received.
- w. Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee Meeting Minutes**
Be it resolved that the minutes of the June 26, 2008 Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee meeting be received.
- x. Statistics from the Essa Public Library Board**
Be it resolved that the statistics for the month of May 2008 from the Essa Public Library Board be received.

- y. Statistics from the Essa Economic Development Office**
Be it resolved that the statistics for the month of July 2008 from the Essa Economic Development Office be received.
- z. Meeting Highlights from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**
Be it resolved that the meeting highlights from the August 22, 2008 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting be received.
- aa. Media Releases from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**
Be it resolved that the media release regarding the review of Terms of Reference for the development of the Nottawasaga Source Protection Plan be received; and that the media release indicating the study of rivers throughout the Niagara Escarpment be received.
- bb. Media Release from the Ontario Municipal Benchmarking Initiative**
Be it resolved that the media release entitled, “Ontario Municipalities fixing leaks to save water and tax dollars” be received.
- cc. Media Release from the Ontario Good Roads Association**
Be it resolved that the media release regarding the drafting of regulations under the recently-passed Cosmetic Pesticides Ban Act be received; and that the Township of Essa supports the initiative of OGRA in ensuring that the Regulations to be implemented under the Cosmetic Pesticides Ban Act will allow municipalities to apply herbicides on their road systems for public health and safety reasons.
- dd. Media Release from the Ontario Good Roads Association**
Be it resolved that the media release regarding the Canadian and Ontario governments signing an Infrastructure Framework Agreement be received.
- ee. Media Release from the Ontario Good Roads Association**
Be it resolved that the media release regarding the Ontario government investing an additional \$1.1 billion into Municipal Infrastructure be received.
- ff. AMO Member Communication Items**
Be it resolved that the AMO Member Communication item regarding the signing of the \$6.2 billion Canadian-Ontario Infrastructure Framework Agreement by the Ontario and Canadian governments be received.

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated September 3, 2008 be approved as presented, and that the necessary action be taken.*