

**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
AGENDA**

WEDNESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2007

6:00 p.m.

- 1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR**
- 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**
- 3. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC MEETINGS**

STAFF REPORTS

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

a. Alset Development Plans to Develop in Angus

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-10 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received for information purposes; and further That a copy of this Report be provided to Alset Development in order that they may act appropriately to provide the Township with the proper information required in seeking their objective, a special policy.*

b. Fishing Access Passes

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-11 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received for information purposes; and further That the current fees associated with fishing be added to the Township's Fee Schedule as soon as possible, in order that the collection of fees pertaining to fishing become enforceable.*

c. Parkland Dedication, Guergis Estates, Baxter

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-12 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further That Council accept a donation of land (as depicted by a draft Reference Plan prepared by Strongman dated December 19, 2006) for parkland purposes within the Guergis Estates Subdivision on the condition as stipulated by the current landowners, that the lands remain in the ownership of the Township of Essa for all time, and subject to an easement in favour of the NVCA to ensure protection and use of the lands for conservation and/or parkland purposes.*

d. Provincial Settlement Areas and Built Boundaries

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-13 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the Province be requested not to consider Thornton as a Provincial Settlement Area given that intensification in Thornton is unrealistic.*

e. Rezoning of 24 Brentwood Road

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-14 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the rezoning of 24 Brentwood Road be presented to Council through a bylaw once the applicant either connects to municipal services or signs an undertaking to connect by May 31st of this year.*

f. Essa Developments Request for Zoning By-law Amendment

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-15 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the draft plan which was recently revised to reflect a modification to the parkland, to suit the Township, be accepted; and further
That the requests of Devonleigh Homes be granted with the exception of the exterior side yard setback, and as well, the lot coverage until such time that site plans, indicating there will be adequate parking on the new lots to be created, have been provided and accepted by the Municipality.*

g. Request for Traffic Lights and a Traffic Study

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-16 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That Council establish cost sharing for the anticipated cost of traffic lights plus a traffic study, focusing on Centre Street amongst all future developers whose plans would contribute to traffic volume on Centre Street.*

h. Continuing Education for Planning Staff

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-17 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the Manager of Planning and Development be authorized to enroll in a seminar to be held on Monday, February 19, 2007, in Toronto, concerning the new Planning Act (Bill 51) at a cost of \$495.00 plus GST; and further
That the Planning Technician be authorized to enroll in a seminar to be held on Monday, February 26, 2007, in Utopia, concerning Planning Reform, at a cost of \$132.50.*

i. Refund for Committee of Adjustment Application

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-18 from the Mgr. of Planning and Development be received; and further
That a complete refund be granted for an application to the Committee of Adjustment made in 2005 but where no work has been initiated.*

j. Aramis Developments Sewage Allocation

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report P07-19 from the Mgr. of Planning and Development be received; and further
That the existing commitment of 70 units of sewage allocation to Aramis Developments be maintained at this point in time.*

5. PARKS AND RECREATION / COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. Parks and Recreation Ontario Annual Educational Forum

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report PR-2007-01 from the Recreation Coordinator/Programmer be received; and further
That Diane Straus be authorized to attend the Parks and Recreation Ontario (PRO) Educational Forum on March 27 – 29, 2007 in Huntsville at a cost of \$329.00 plus accommodation expenses*

b. Preliminary Angus Branch Building Project

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report EPL-2007-1 from the CEO, Essa Public Library Board be received; and that the Library Board Motions 2007-15 and 2007-16 be approved and acted upon.*

c. Essa Public Library Board Executive and Committees

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report EPL-2007-2 from the CEO, Essa Public Library Board be received.*

d. Thornton Branch Accessible Door

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report EPL-2007-2 from the CEO, Essa Public Library Board be received; and that the quotation from Cherokee Construction in the amount of \$1,290 for a 36” steel door be accepted; and that the Treasurer include this expenditure in the 2007 Township Capital Library budget to be financed by the Reserve for Thornton Hydro.*

6. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

7. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Proposed Sale of Surplus Uncrushed Stone

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report PW-07-03 from the CAO/Public Works Manager be received; and further
That the proposal submitted by the Sarjeant Co. Ltd. to purchase surplus uncrushed stone at the Township's gravel pit located at the 8th Line and County Road 90 be accepted.*

8. FINANCE

a. Property Tax Workshop

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report No. TR-2007-03 from the Treasurer be received; and
THAT the Treasurer and the Senior Tax Clerk be approved to register for a workshop relating to property taxation offered by Municipal Tax Equity Consultants; and
THAT the Treasurer be authorized to submit the registration fee of \$275.00 per person.*

b. Hiring Request: Accounting Student

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report # TR-2007-04 from the Treasurer be received; and
THAT a job posting be placed at Georgian College for a Student Accounting Clerk for the period May – August, 2007 and; THAT the job rate be set at \$11.00 per hour.*

9. CLERKS / BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

a. Monthly Canine Control Report

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Canine Control Report for the month of December 2006 from Canine Control Officer Whiston be received.*

b. Computer Purchases

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Report C01-2007 from the Clerk be received; and that Council approves the purchase of two desk top computers with monitors in advance of budget deliberations to replace outdated and ineffective computers currently in place.*

10. OTHER BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that this meeting of Committee of the Whole of The Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on 21 February 2007 at 6:00 p.m.*