

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 11 JULY 2007**

AGENDA

- 1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR**
- 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**
- 3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS**

Recommendation: *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 Twentieth day of June, 2007 be adopted as circulated.*

- 4. PRESENTING, REFERRING OR PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #7 dated June 14 to July 4, 2007 in the amount of \$1,007,137.98 be approved; and That Net Payroll for the month of June 2007 in the amount of \$148,327.48 be approved.*

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

- a. Letters from the County of Simcoe**
Re: Addition of new units for curbside garbage and recycling collection
Updates to County required right-of-way widths
- b. Letter from Resident of 25th Sideroad**
Re: Traffic concerns
- c. Letter from the Municipality of Trent Hills**
Re: Canadian Advocates for Tax Awareness
- d. Letter from Huronia Trails and Greenways**
Re: Trail Guidebook Project for Simcoe County Municipalities
- e. Report from Essa Public Library Board**
Re: Statistics for May 2007
- f. AMO Member Communication Items**
Re: Public Review of Transportation Standard
- g. Report from the Economic Development Office**
Re: Statistics for June 2007
- h. Letter from the County of Simcoe**
Re: Response to letter re: Establishment of Tax Ratios
- i. Letter from Agricultural Groups Concerned about Resources**
Re: Caring for the Land – Our Farm Environment Commitment

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

6. CORRESPONDENCE - Action Items

a. Letter from the Wolf's Den Archers Inc.

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from the Wolf's Den Archers Inc. regarding the Canadian 3D Archery National Championships being held at 7560 8th Line on August 3 through 6, 2007 be received; and that the Township does/not approve of the use of the 8th Line Township gravel pit for parking of up to 500 vehicles; and that the Township takes no responsibility and accepts no liability for any damage incurred to any vehicle while on Township property.*

b. Report regarding Bell Mobility Cell Tower CS 1548, Thornton

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the report from Bell Mobility Inc. Wireless Network Operations and Engineering regarding the proposed Bell Mobility Cell Tower near Thornton be received.*

c. Resolution from United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry regarding diversification of the Farmland and Managed Forest funding program be received; and that The Township of Essa does/not endorse the Resolution requesting the Province to separate the farmland and managed forest component from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund and establish a separate and distinct provincial funding program to reimburse municipalities with lost property tax revenue.*

d. Resolution from the Municipality of Huron East

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Municipality of Huron East regarding delays obtaining Certificates of Approval and Permits to Take Water be received; and that The Township of Essa does/not endorse the resolution.*

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Essa Public Library Board

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the Essa Public Library Board dated May 28, 2007 be received.*

b. Essa Parks & Recreation Committee

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the report of the June 25, 2007 Parks and Recreation Committee be received; and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.*

c. Nottawasaga Police Services Board

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the May 23, 2007 meeting of the Nottawasaga Police Services Board be received.*

d. Thornton Cookstown Trans Canada Trail Committee

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the Thornton-Cookstown Trans Canada Trail Committee meeting of 4 June 2007 be received.*

8. PETITIONS

9. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. County of Simcoe Centralized Trails Program

WHEREAS a recent survey conducted by the County of Simcoe revealed that there are at least 44 different trails across Simcoe County of which 33 are owned by the different municipalities; and

WHEREAS the County of Simcoe has the forestry expertise, geographic information systems, roads, planning, tourism, and emergency management resources to create a Centralized Trails Program; and

WHEREAS a trails program would promote improved communications, tourism and business activity; enable greater emergency response capacity; maximize funding opportunities; improve trail planning, development and coordination; and promote the development of healthier communities; and

WHEREAS a centralized trails program would enable each municipality to benefit from consistent standards in trail development and maintenance, risk management programs, signage, expand and connect trail systems across neighbouring municipalities; coordinate trail activities, and realize potential efficiencies;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Essa hereby supports a Centralized Trails Program to be implemented and staffed by the County of Simcoe.

b. Request for Water Connection Exemption

WHEREAS Section 2 of Township of Essa By-law 96-58, being a By-law to require owners of buildings to connect such buildings to water works, provides that every owner of a building shall connect the building to the water works; and

WHEREAS Section 6 of By-law 96-58 provides that the owners of a building affected by this By-law may be exempted from the provisions of Section 2 upon request having been received by the Clerk, and the owner requesting exemption shall be billed a flat charge equal to 100% of the minimum residential water rate service rate in lieu of user rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to provide an exemption from the mandatory water hook-up requirement for the owners of 260 Barrie Street and 25 Robert Street, Thornton, until August 2009 as outlined in Township of Essa By-law 96-58, for the reasons provided in the application provided.

c. Delegation of Clerk's Duties

WHEREAS Section 228 (4) of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, states that the Clerk may delegate in writing to any person, other than a member of Council, any of the Clerk's powers and duties under this and any other Act; and

WHEREAS the Clerk's Assistant will be replaced on a temporary basis by another individual with the knowledge and skills required to fulfill this position;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk's duties, as delegated to the Clerk's Assistant/Information Coordinator, are hereby delegated to Helen Cyr for the period of Monday, July 9 to Friday, July 20, 2007; and

THAT Helen Cyr be appointed to conduct and fulfill all statutory duties under the Municipal Act, the Vital Statistics Act, the Gaming Control Act, and any other statute or regulation applicable to the duties of the Clerk's Office for the time stated.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. BY-LAWS

a. By-law 2007 – 38 Contract to be distributed.

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 38, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services of Ontario (“Ontario”) and the Corporation of the Township of Essa (“the Municipality”), pending receipt and approval by all three municipalities, for the provision of police services under Section 10 of the Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. p. 15; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

b. By-law 2007 –

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 -, being a by-law authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an Agreement with Domm Construction Ltd. for the construction of a Design Build Bulk Salt/Sand and Equipment Storage Building; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

c. By-law 2007 –

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 – being a By-law Authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by The Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for a Funding Agreement for the Asset Management Program (AMP) Project of the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF) initiative; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

d. By-law 2007 -

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007-, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Township of Essa to remove from the Part Lot Control provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13, Lot 47, Parts 1 and 2 on Registered Plan 51R-35182 of Plan 51M-844, Nottawasaga Village; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed*

e. By-law 2007 –

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007- , being a By-law to amend Township of Essa By-law 2005-97, being a by-law for the licensing, regulation and governing of certain businesses, trades or occupations within the Township of Essa to provide for the inclusion of a Home Occupation Schedule applying to home based businesses (Schedule 10); and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

f. By-law 2007 –

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - , being a By-law to declare surplus and transfer Part of Lot 28, Con 3, Essa, being parts 1, 2, and 3 of 51R-30966, 28 Mill Street, Angus; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed*

12. QUESTIONS

13. IN CAMERA

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Council proceed In Camera in order to address matters pertaining to labour relations or employee negotiations, and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the Municipality or local board.*

14. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2007 -

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

15. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on the Fifth day of September 2007 following Committee of the Whole.*