

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, 16 MAY 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 Second day of May, 2007 be adopted as circulated.*

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

*Recommendation: Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #5B dated April 26 to May 9, 2007 in the amount of \$489,082.76 be approved.*

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

- a. Letter from the Town of Midland**  
Re: Compensation for Emergency Calls on Provincial Highways
- b. Letter from McCormick Rankin Corporation**  
Re: Highway 89, Rosemont to Highway 400 Public Information Centres
- c. Letter from Hydro One Networks Inc.**  
Re: Construction of new transmission line
- d. Letter from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**  
Re: Request to review Operating and Capital Budget Structure
- e. Letter from R. J. Burnside & Associates Limited**  
Re: Class Environmental Assessment, Township of Clearview
- f. Letter from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation**  
Re: Changes to Property Assessment in Ontario
- g. Letter from Nottawasaga OPP**  
Re: Speeding Concerns
- h. Letter from the Minister Responsible for Seniors**  
Re: 2007 Senior Achievement Awards
- i. Statistics from Essa Economic Development Centre**  
Re: April 2007
- j. Media Release from Royal Victoria Hospital**  
Re: Cancer patients will soon receive radiation treatment closer to home  
Cancer becoming leading cause of death in Canada

- k. AMO Member Communication Items**  
Re: Update on *Highway Traffic Act* Hours of Service Regulation  
Proposed Changes to the *Waste Diversion Act*  
Government Introduces Fire Services Cancer Bill

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

**6. CORRESPONDENCE - Action Items**

- a. Letter from Ontario Family Fishing Weekend Steering Committee**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from the Ontario Family Fishing Weekend Steering Committee be received; and that the Township of Essa declares July 6 through 8, 2007 a license free fishing weekend in conjunction with 2007 National Fishing Week.*

- b. Letter from Angus Resident regarding Clock Chimes**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from the Angus resident regarding the chimes from the Clock Tower be received; and that Council provide direction to staff with respect to any action to be taken.*

- c. Letter regarding Community Tree Day # 4**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from Paul Cadieux regarding Community Tree Day # 4, "Trains and Trees" be received; and that Mr. Cadieux be advised that his request for donation was considered with the municipal budget and a donation in the amount of \$300.00 was approved.*

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Economic Development Committee**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the Economic Development Committee dated April 25, 2007 be received.*

**8. PETITIONS**

**9. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

- a. Children's Mental Health Week Proclamation**

*WHEREAS one in five kids in Ontario struggles with their mental health; and*

*WHEREAS ensuring the mental health of our children is essential to their growth and development; and*

*WHEREAS children and adolescents can suffer various mental health problems, including depression, anxiety, eating disorders, conduct disorder, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, schizophrenia and bi-polar disorder; and*

*WHEREAS many young people who would benefit from mental health services are not receiving the help they need; and*

*WHEREAS learning to recognize the early warning signs of mental health problems and where to obtain necessary assistance and treatment gives children and youth better opportunities to lead full and productive lives;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, we the Council of the Township of Essa do hereby proclaim May 7 - 13, 2007 as Children's Mental Health Week and encourage all municipalities to work together to raise awareness of the mental health needs of the children in our community.*

**b. Procedures for the Sale and Disposition of Land**

*WHEREAS Township of Essa passed By-law 2004-46, as amended, being a by-law to establish procedures for the sale of land and for providing public notification of the declaration of surplus land in accordance with Section 268 of the Municipal Act, 2001; and*

*WHEREAS Bill 130, the Municipal Statute Law Amendment Act, 2006 deletes Section 268 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and provides amendments to procedures for the Sale and Other Disposition of Land and also to the requirement for Notice provisions;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to present a policy with respect to the sale and other disposition of land in accordance with Section 269 (2) of the Municipal Statute Law Amendment Act, and the circumstances in which the municipality shall provide notice to the public; and the form, manner and times that notice shall be given, to ensure the municipality is accountable to the public for its actions, and that its actions are transparent to the public.*

**c. Appointment of an Integrity Commissioner**

*WHEREAS Bill 130 amends Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, providing that a municipality may appoint an independent investigator to determine whether the rules under Section 239 for closed meetings have been complied with, effective January 1, 2007; and*

*WHEREAS every municipality is encouraged to appoint an investigator prior to the request for an investigation by a resident, saving that the Province of Ontario may appoint an Ombudsman to conduct the investigation if no such Investigator has been appointed;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Essa requests that the County of Simcoe appoint an Integrity Commissioner for all municipalities within its jurisdiction in the event that any person requests an investigation of a council, local board or committee; and*

*That this resolution be circulated to all Simcoe County municipalities for their support.*

**d. Agreement for the purchase of a Caterpillar Dozer**

*Be it resolved that the CAO/Public Works Manager be authorized to sign the Sales Agreement with Toromont Cat for the purchase of a Caterpillar D5G XL dozer with accu-grade laser system, as follows:*

<i>D5G XL dozer c/w accu-grade laser system</i>	<i>\$151,400.00</i>
<i>Less rental invoices</i>	<i>(61,750.00)</i>
<i>Plus rental adjustments over 6 months @ 90%</i>	<i>2,275.00</i>
<i>Plus carrying charges</i>	<i><u>9,900.00</u></i>
<i>Total Rental Conversion Price</i>	<i>\$101,825.00</i>
<i>(plus applicable taxes)</i>	

*And further*

*That the Treasurer be authorized to process payment for this equipment.*

**e. Physician Appreciation Day Proclamation**

*WHEREAS good health is integral to the enjoyment of life; and  
WHEREAS physicians help to provide health care within the community; and  
WHEREAS the community appreciates the services of its physicians;  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Essa does hereby proclaim May 29, 2006 as Physician Appreciation Day; and  
THAT residents and businesses in the Stevenson Memorial Hospital catchment area are encouraged to show their appreciation in ways that will enhance this day of recognition and celebration.*

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**11. BY-LAWS**

**a. By-law 2007 –**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 -, being a by-law to authorize the Township to enter into an agreement with respect to Part of Lots 47 and 48, Plan 160, being Part 1 on Plan 51R-8658, Township of Essa; 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 – TO BE DISTRIBUTED**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 -, being a By-law to provide for the adoption of Tax Rates for 2007; 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 to enter into Agreement with AWT Holdings Inc. to permit the development of lands known as Part of Lot 2, Concession 5 (Ridgehill Subdivision Phase 1) and Part of Lot 3, Concession 5 (Ridgehill Subdivision Phase 2); 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 authorizing the Clerk to enter into a Digital Data Sharing Agreement with the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA); 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 accordance with Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, in order to address matters pertaining to 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 Sixteenth Day of May 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 Sixth day of June 2007 following Committee of the Whole.*