

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 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 Third day of October, 2007 be adopted as amended as to the approval of the OPP contract by-law whereas the proviso regarding shift change is removed from the Resolution and noted for record.*

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

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that Payment Voucher #10B dated September 27 to October 10, 2007 in the amount of \$678,428.53 be approved; and That Visa Accounts dated July 14 to August 15, 2007, and August 16 to September 14, 2007 in the amounts of \$17,329.98 and \$13,943.16 respectively be approved.*

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

- a. Letter from Helena Guergis, MP**  
Re: Cultural Capitals of Canada Designations
- b. Letter from the Simcoe County District School Board**  
Re: Dates for Capital Strategic Plan Information Sessions
- c. OPP Media Release**  
Re: New regulations to take speeders, aggressive drivers off highways

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

- 6. CORRESPONDENCE - Action Items**

- a. Resolution from the Township of Burpee and Mills**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Township of Burpee and Mills regarding the loss of municipal funding to provincial tax rebate*

*programs be received; and that The Township of Essa does/not endorse the resolution asking the Province of Ontario to directly refund the 75% Farmland, Managed Forest and Conservation Land Tax to municipalities, and that, if refused, the Province allow Municipalities to tax these lands at 100% and the Province fund 75% of the tax directly to individual landowners.*

**b. Resolution from the Township of Brock**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Township of Brock regarding pulp and paper biosolids be received; and that The Township of Essa does / not support the Resolution requesting that the Provincial Ministry of the Environment adhere to the recommendations and conclusions of its own panel of experts by acknowledging paper fibre biosolids as a waste, by removing the exemption status for Sound-sorb and Nitro-sorb and by imposing the recommend regulatory control of a Certificate of Approval or legal instrument that provides equal or better protection for human health and the environment.*

**c. Resolution from the Township of North Dumfries**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Township of North Dumfries regarding royalties charged to aggregate producers be received; and that The Township of Essa does/not endorse the Resolution requesting the Province to consider increasing fees and royalties charged to aggregate operators and use the additional revenue exclusively for providing the MNR with resources to effectively staff an enforcement branch to ensure the long term viability of the aggregate industry and ensure responsible protection of the communities surrounding these operations.*

**d. Letter from Bill Gallant**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from Mr. Bill Gallant with respect to the Angus Elvis Festival be received; and that Council comments be provided.*

NB: A copy of this letter has been provided for the next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

**e. Declaration of Canadian Foster Family Week**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the letter from the Children's Aid Society of The County of Simcoe be received; and that The Township of Essa does hereby proclaim the week of October 21 through 27, 2007 as Canadian Foster Family Week.*

**f. Resolution from the Municipality of Brockton**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the Resolution from the Municipality of Brockton regarding funding provided to, and services provided by, Conservation Authorities; and that The Township of Essa does/not endorse the Resolution asking that the Province of Ontario revisit the funding formula currently used for Conservation Authorities with the intent to increase the funding provided to allow them to enhance their staffing levels and thereby respond to development proposals in a more timely manner; and*

*That, in the absence of additional funding, the Province of Ontario revisit the mandate of the Conservation Authorities to ensure that said mandate is refined and streamlined so that Conservation Authorities across the Province are able to provide timely professional service levels within a restricted mandate; and*

*That the Province of Ontario investigate currently available engineering, planning, development and environmental expertise to determine a more cost effective method of delivering services, which Conservation Authorities are now unable to provide in a timely and effective manner; and further*

*That, in the absence of such an investigation, Municipalities be given the ability to opt out of funding Conservation Authorities where the local Conservation Authority is unable to provide the required services in a timely manner.*

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a. Nottawasaga Police Services Board**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the September 26, 2007 meeting of the Nottawasaga Police Services Board be received.*

**8. PETITIONS**

**9. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**a. Request for Accessory Structure**

*WHEREAS the owners of Part Lot 25, Concession 7 in the Township of Essa, County of Simcoe have requested a building permit to construct an accessory building in advance of the construction of the principal residence so as to have a structure for the storage of tools on the site; and*

*WHEREAS the Zoning By-law 2003-50 (Section 8.1a) states that NO accessory buildings shall be erected prior to the commencement of construction of the permitted dwelling on the same lot; and*

*WHEREAS the NVCA has already issued a permit for the dwelling and accessory structure on the condition that a Site Plan drawing be submitted to the Authority;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the owners be granted approval to construct an accessory building on the subject site prior to the construction of the principal residence.*

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**11. BY-LAWS**

**a. By-law 2007 – 60**

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2007 - 60, being a by-law to establish and assume a highway for public highway purposes Part of Church Street, Plan 1333, in the Township of Essa, County of Simcoe, described as Parts 1, 2, and 3 on Plan 51R-30436, being all of PIN 58988-0026(LT); 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 Agreement with Engineered Concrete Ltd. for the replacement of the 5<sup>th</sup> Line Bridge (Nicolston) over the Nottawasaga River; 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 a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for Municipal or local board purposes.*

**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 Seventeenth Day of October 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 Seventh day of November 2007 following Committee of the Whole.*

NB: A Special Council Meeting will be held at 4:00 on November 7, 2007 to provide the public with an opportunity to address the issue of Development Charges for the Angus Water Service.