

**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2010**

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance: Mayor David Guergis
Deputy Mayor Terry Dowdall
Councillor Sandie Macdonald
Councillor Rick Newlove
Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance: Greg Murphy, CAO/Public Works Manager
Mike Galloway, Clerk/Deputy CAO
Paul Macdonald, Fire Chief
Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning/Development
Rick Cox, Deputy Fire Chief

5:50 Essa Fire

Re: Presentation of new Fire Truck (held outside)

Guests and dignitaries gathered outside the Administration Centre to view the new pumper.

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

The Mayor noted the passing of Mary Anne Wilson, a trustee and former Chair of the SCDSB. He noted that she was a leader behind the new Essa Secondary School and indicated that she will be missed. Council and staff expressed their sympathy and condolences for the Wilson family.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Guergis declared a pecuniary interest on item 5b and the 6:15 pm delegation, as his wife owns property in the special policy area being discussed.

3. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC MEETINGS

a. 6:00 Cheque Presentation

Re: Banting Homestead – Mayor Mike MacEachern, Town of New Tecumseth

Mayor David Guergis and council presented Mayor Mike MacEachern of New Tecumseth with a \$10,000 donation to the Banting Homestead. Mayor MacEachern

thanked council for the donation.

- b. 6:15 Nicola Mitchinson, MITCHINSON Planning & Development Consultants Inc.**
Re: Special Policy Area – Angus

Ms. Nicola Mitchinson appeared on behalf of her clients to express some comments regarding the process for the Special Policy Area (SPA) review. She noted that this study needs to be broad in nature and should ensure future growth in the Angus area as a major factor of the outcome. Ms. Mitchinson noted that County Road 90 is a major road into Angus and will be expanded to four lanes from Barrie to Angus in the near future, which needs to be considered for future commercial development. Existing commercial development such as No Frills have done well in this location and she feels this area is a natural for future commercial development. Ms. Mitchinson requested that her clients all be included in the SPA review.

Councillor Newlove indicated that council had already directed staff to ensure the study is as broad as possible and that the subject properties be included in the review.

STAFF REPORTS

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

a. Petro Canada Car Wash – Proposal for Re-Zoning to Permit for Car Wash

Resolution No: CW78-2010 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Report P10-31 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and
That Council be presented with the appropriate Zoning By-Law Amendment for consideration to permit for a car wash at 165 Mill Street, Angus.*

Carried

b. Request for fill of property at 305 Mill Street, Angus

Resolution No: CW79-2010 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

*Be it resolved that Report P10-32 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received, and
That further to a request by Skelton Brumwell of April 9th on behalf of a developer and the landowner of 305 Mill Street, Angus, the Township provide a statement, as follows:
“The Township of Essa advises that lands known as 305 Mill Street are designated by the Essa Official Plan as Commercial and also subject to all other policies of the Official Plan including those contained in Section 27.3 Floodplain Management Angus as well as all other provincial planning policy such as the Provincial Policy Statement which provides the framework for land use planning across the Province as stipulated by the*

Provincial Planning Act; that the lands are zoned as Core Commercial (C2) Zone by Essa's Zoning By-law; that the Township supports use of the Greenland Consulting Angus Flood Study and mapping approved in 2005 and any and all other data required to make an informed decision; and that Essa is in general supportive of growth and development within its borders provided a proposal is in keeping with accepted provincial and Township policy, is compatible with surrounding land uses, and the site has been designed to be safe and orderly to the satisfaction of the Township and its officials."

Carried

5. PARKS AND RECREATION / COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. Essa Challenge

Resolution No: CW80-2010 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report PR2010-13 from the Recreation Coordinator/Programmer be received; and

That the Recreation Coordinator/Programmer be authorized to purchase Golf Shirts with Essa Challenge on the left chest to go along with the sleeve of golf balls for each participant in lieu of prizes.

Carried

6. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

7. PUBLIC WORKS

8. FINANCE

9. CLERKS / BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT/ IT

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The Fire Chief introduced Rick Cox who had been recently appointed as the Deputy Fire Chief. Council congratulated Rick on his appointment.

Councillor Newlove noted he has heard some concerns regarding the look of the brush hog works being done on our roadsides. The CAO/Public Works Manager indicated that at this time of the year he also receives complaints regarding the look of the works, however noted as the growing season proceeds the look will improve in these areas. Additionally, other than hiring a tree trimming contractor complete with a bucket truck, mechanical brushing is the most safest, efficient and economic process for Public Works staff to carry out such brushing operations. Councillor Newlove requested that Public Works staff prune any damaged branches on trees and chip/remove branches from the roadsides immediately after the mechanical brushing is completed to make the work zone

more aesthetically pleasing.

The CAO/Public Works Manager noted that he had contacted the SCDSB as per council's request on April 7th to delay the move of the skateboard park at the arena in Angus. The SCDSB has agreed that we can hold off on the move until the end of June. The partners will then reassess the situation and decided if a further extension can be given based on the construction schedule on the site at that time.

Councillor Macdonald noted that the Food Bank is now located in the arena and the move went well. She thanked all the staff that helped with the move.


In a follow-up to a previous discussion at council, Councillor Macdonald noted that the Lions Club will be allowing the use of the washrooms during the day camp this summer.

11. ADJOURNMENT

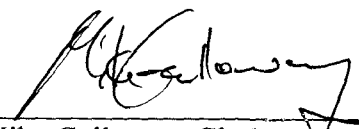
Resolution No: CW81-2010 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that this meeting of Committee of the Whole of The Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on May 5, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Carried



David Guergis, Mayor



Mike Galloway, Clerk