

**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2010**

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Wednesday, June 16, 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/Manager of Public Works
Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning/Development
Paul Macdonald, Fire Chief
Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Heather Rutherford, CBO
Bonnie Sander, Executive Assistant to the CAO

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Guergis called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Guergis declared a possible conflict with items 4(a) and 7(c).

3. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC MEETINGS

a. 6:00 Recognition of the Chief Building Official's assistance to the Province in creating guidelines to understanding the Building Code

The CAO read correspondence from the Ontario Building Officials Association expressing their appreciation for the assistance given by Heather Rutherford, CBO on the 2010 Ontario Code and Construction Guide for Housing. This guide will assist new homebuyers, builders and Building Officials in understanding code requirements and better building practices for new homes.

Mayor Guergis thanked Mrs. Rutherford on behalf of Council.

b. 6:05 Public Meeting – Proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment (Maple Lane Developments)

Re: 400 Centre Street, Angus

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to review a Draft Plan of Subdivision as well as a Township Zoning By-law Amendment, in accordance with Sections 51 and 34 of the Planning Act. As well, to hear comments and review written submissions from the public and other agencies.

Colleen Healey, Manager of Planning & Development reviewed the proposal. Edmund Daniel, representative of Maple Lane Lands gave a brief overview.

Mrs. Speziali, 8906 5th Line, had concerns about speed on the 5th Line.

Gaetan David, 22 Michael St., did not want to see the greenbelt removed.

Ralph D'Alonzo, 6183 30th Sideroad had concerns about the size of the lots and the size of the dwellings.

Russ Lauria, 20 Michael St., is opposed to the zoning change from R1 to R5. He also had concerns about policing and fire fighting operations and the amount of vehicles driving on Centre Street and the 5th Line. He would also like to see a full-time Fire Department.

Shawn Bubel, 8371 11th Line had concerns about the amount of parking spaces.

Brad McConnell, 30 Michael St., questioned the drawing where it stated "easement to be removed".

Greg Williams, 28 Michael St., stated that there are vacant stores in Angus now and that the Township doesn't need more retail space. He also wanted to know why an apartment. He also doesn't want social housing in his backyard. Also he would like to see stop lights or all-way stop traffic control at Centre Street and 5th Line. He also wanted to know what the Township paid towards policing.

Kathy Barton, 8896 5th Line, wanted to know if this development was going to affect her assessment. She's afraid of property values.

Bob Smith, 18 Michael, wanted to know who decided on an apartment complex.

Russ Lauria asked why the Township couldn't leave the zoning as is to see what the market can bear.

Brad McConnell wanted to know how the schools would be affected.

c. 7:15 Ellen Reidt
Re: Exemption from the Dog Control By-law

Ms. Reidt was in attendance asking for an exemption to the Dog Control By-law. The Township's By-law allows for three licensed dogs per household and, at present, she has four licensed dogs on her property. Her neighbour has complained to the Township's

By-law Enforcement Officer. Her dogs are aged 12, 11½, 10 and 4½. She doesn't believe that these dogs are suitable to be adopted out. She's asking that Council give her an exemption until one of the older dogs passes away and then she will be in compliance with the By-law.

Mayor Guergis stated that Council will consider her request.

STAFF REPORTS

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

a. Floodplain Management in Angus

Mayor Guergis declared a conflict with this item and did not take part in any discussions. Deputy Mayor Dowdall chaired this item.

Resolution No: CW118-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report P10-44 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and

That a Preconsultation Meeting be held with staff of the affected Ministries prior to the commencement of the Angus Flood Study.

Carried

Mayor Guergis resumed the Chair.

b. Angus Morrison Public School – Addition and Site Alterations Site Plan Approval

Resolution No: CW119-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Report P10-45 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and

That, the Simcoe County District School Board be given Site Plan approval for Angus Morrison Public School once staff is satisfied with grading and the proposed fire access route for the planned addition and site alterations for parking, buses and parent drop off and pick up; and

That, Council consider declaring surplus, by way of a resolution, part of former Vernon Street with the Mayor and Clerk authorized to transfer land to the Board at no cost to the Board other than legal fees.

Carried

c. Annual Fee Report 2009

Resolution No: CW120-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report P10-46 from the Chief Building Official be received to meet the requirements under the Building Code Act arising from the changes prescribed under The Building Code and Building Code Act in regard to permit fees received.

Carried

d. Conservation Authorities – Process/Procedure Final Document

Resolution No: CW121-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report P10-47 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received for information.

Carried

e. Exception or variance to the Township Fence By-law

Resolution No: CW122-2010 Moved by: Dowdall Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Report P10-48 from the Manager of Planning and Development be received; and
That a variance be granted to By-law 2008-68 (Fence By-law) at 6 Dundas Drive, Thornton in order for the homeowner to enclose an in-ground pool with a wrought-iron fence as opposed to a wood or chain link fence.*

Carried

The CAO requested Council's approval to amend the Fence By-law to allow for wrought-iron fences. An amended draft By-law is to be brought forward at a future meeting.

f. Building Permit Statistics

Resolution No: CW123-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that the statistics for the Building Permits issued for the month of May 2010 be received.

Carried

g. Development in Barrie along Tiffin Street and County Road 27

Resolution No: CW124-2010 Moved by: Newlove Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that the draft letter from the Manager of Planning and Development to the City of Barrie be received.

Carried

A member of Council and the Manager of Planning and Development are to set up a meeting with the City of Barrie staff to discuss this matter.

5. PARKS AND RECREATION / COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. Request to allow Angus District Lions Club to run Angus Recreation Centre Concession Booth

Resolution No: CW125-2010 Moved by: Dowdall Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report PR-2010-20 from the Recreation Coordinator/Programmer be received; and further

That the Angus District Lions Club be allowed to lease the Angus Recreation Centre Concession Booth and pay the amount of \$350/month for a 6 month lease/year; and further

That the Library Fund Raising Committee be allowed to coordinate with the Lions Club the operation of the Concession Booth during a tournament, specified by the Library Fund Raising Chair, with proceeds from such tournament going towards the Library Building Fund.

Carried

b. Essa Public Library Board - Trillium Application 2010

Resolution No: CW126-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Report EPL-2010-03 from the CEO, Essa Public Library Board, be received; and

That Council support the Library application to the Trillium Foundation for funding as stated in Board motion 2005-46.

Carried

6. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

a. Heavy Hydraulic Rescue Equipment

Resolution No: CW127-2010 Moved by: Newlove Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that Report F08 -2010 from the Fire Chief be received; and further

That Council authorizes the sale of the surplus AMCUS heavy hydraulic equipment; and further

That the Angus Firefighters Association be authorized to acquire additional rescue equipment with the revenue from the equipment sale.

Carried

7. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Proposed Privacy Fence along County Road 10 abutting Residential lots fronting Mancini Drive and Brennan Drive

Resolution No: CW128-2010 Moved by: Dowdall Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Report PW-10-25 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further
That the Developer arrange for a 2 m high privacy fence to be installed along the south boundary of the Angus Meadows Subdivision upon receipt of each homeowner's signed Release/Waiver and the Township hereby acknowledges that the Developer shall be responsible for a six month maintenance and warranty period after the fence installation and that any subsequent fence maintenance, repair or replacement work shall be each landowner's responsibility.*

Carried

The CAO stated that he will be drafting up the Release/Waiver form for the owners of the affected properties to sign.

b. Proposed Workplace Violence and Harassment Policy – Bill 168

Resolution No: CW129-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Report PW-10-26 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further
That the attached draft Workplace Violence and Harassment Policy be approved.*

Carried

c. Resident's Recommendations presented to Council on May 19, 2010

Mayor Guergis declared a conflict with this item and did not take part in any discussions. Deputy Mayor Dowdall chaired this item.

Resolution No: CW130-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Newlove

Be it resolved that Report PW-10-27 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received.

Carried

A member of Council requested that the resident meet with the CAO to provide further information.

Mayor Guergis resumed the Chair.

d. Essa Historical Society's Request for Financial Support – Plaque for Elmgrove

Resolution No: CW131-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Report PW-10-27 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further

That the request of the Essa Historical Society for financial support towards the unveiling of a plaque in Elmgrove in 2011 be referred to 2011 budget deliberations.

Carried

e. Resident's Request for More Lighting at "McGeorge" Parkland

Resolution No: CW132-2010 Moved by: Newlove Seconded by: Dowdall

Be it resolved that Report PW-10-29 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further

That the CAO/Manager of Public Works be authorized to relocate the existing 200w-HPS streetlight fixture fronting 109/111 Graham Street to an existing hydro pole situated just west of 200 Cindy Lane and the existing 70w-HPS streetlight fixture to the existing hydro pole at 109/111 Graham Street.

Carried

f. Proposed Removal of Existing "Three-Way" Stop at the Intersection of Alessio Drive and Centre Street in Angus

Resolution No: CW133-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report PW-10-30 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further

That the existing "three-way" stop at Alessio Drive and Centre Street in Angus be removed by making Centre Street a through road and Alessio Drive a stop controlled road at Centre Street and a By-law be presented to Council to facilitate this change in traffic control.

Carried

Councillor Macdonald asked the CAO to investigate the need for more 50 kph signs along Centre Street.

g. Camphill Road at the 4th Line Intersection

Resolution No: CW134-2010 Moved by: Dowdall Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that Report PW-10-31 from the CAO/Manager of Public Works be received; and further

That the CAO/Manager of Public Works be authorized to close and remove the road bed at the curve south of the intersection of Camphill Road and the 4th Line since this short section of road serves no useful purpose, the traffic control in this area is confusing to motorists and such action will reduce Township road maintenance costs.

Carried

h. Summary of Offers received for the Purchase of the 2001 Ford F150

Resolution No: CW135-2010 Moved by: Newlove Seconded by: Dowdall

*Be it resolved that the offer received from John Crate in the amount of \$600.00 for the purchase of the 2001 Ford F150 be accepted; and further
That the purchaser be advised that this equipment is sold as is, where is, with no warranty expressed or implied.*

Carried

8. FINANCE

a. 2010 Budget Summary Report & 2009 Financial Information

Resolution No: CW136-2010 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Henderson

*Be it resolved that Report No. TR-2010-07 from the Treasurer be received for information; and
That the Budget Summary Report as at May 31, 2010 be received; and
That the Capital Expenditure Worksheet as at December 31, 2009 be received; and
That the December 31, 2009 Accumulated Revenue Change Report be received; and
That the Statement of Development Charges dated December 31, 2009 and the Schedule of Reserves and Reserve Funds dated December 31, 2009 be received.*

Carried

b. Request to Waive Development Charges – 59 Margaret Street

Resolution No: CW137-2010 Moved by: Newlove Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Report No. TR-2010-08 from the Treasurer be received; and
That the request to waive development charges on 59 Margaret Street is denied.*

Carried

9. CLERKS / BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT/ IT

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Centre Street

Councillor Macdonald asked when the remainder of Centre Street would be completed. The CAO explained that the 2010 Transportation Capital Budget allocated funds to carry out the engineering design only this year. The proposed road improvements will have to be considered during 2011 budget deliberations if approvals are in place. It will take some time to obtain a “Permit to Take Water” from the MOE for the required de-watering process.

Rainbow Campground

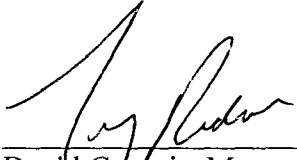
Councillor Henderson asked about a letter being sent to the owners of Rainbow Campground by a Township Solicitor. The CAO stated that the lawyer is still drafting an agreement. When the agreement is ready, it will be distributed to members of Council and to the owners of the Rainbow Campground for consideration.

11. ADJOURNMENT

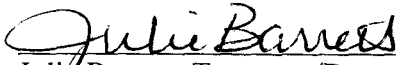
Resolution No: CW138-2010 Moved by: Dowdall Seconded by: Macdonald

Be it resolved that this meeting of Committee of the Whole of The Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on July 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Carried



~~David Guergis, Mayor~~
Terry Dowdall Deputy



Julie Barrett, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk