

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

COUNCIL MINUTES

November 24, 2008
(7:02 p.m.)

1. MOMENT OF MEDITATION:

A moment of meditation was observed.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk gave the roll call and the following Council Members were present:

Mayor Grossi	Councillor Jordan
Councillor Jamieson	Councillor Szollosy
Councillor Hackenbrook	Councillor Smockum

It was noted that this is the last Council meeting at which Stan Armstrong, Chief Administrative Officer, will be attending as the sole CAO for the Town, as he will be retiring at the end of the year and his successor will be commencing in her position on December 1st, Council thanked him for his leadership and guidance over the years, indicating that he has been a huge asset for this municipality.

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Council Members were made aware of a number of community events taking place.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS AND DEPUTATIONS:

The following Addendum Item was identified as part of the agenda:

- 4.1 Item No. 12, presentation by three students respecting a budget exercise performed through the Mayor's Youth Forum

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0495

THAT THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM ITEM, BE APPROVED:

- 5.1 ITEM NO. 12, PRESENTATION BY THREE STUDENTS RESPECTING A BUDGET EXERCISE PERFORMED THROUGH THE MAYOR'S YOUTH FORUM.

Carried.....

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

Councillor Hackenbrook declared an interest in Item No. 17.1.4 with respect of its reference to the Georgina Community Health Care Committee as his spouse is an employee of a local health care clinic

7. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0496

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 10, 2008, BE ADOPTED WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT.

-THAT REFERENCE TO COUNCILLOR SZOLLOSZY LEAVING THE MEETING ON PAGES 15 AND 18 BE REMOVED ENTIRELY FROM THE MINUTES.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0497

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 17, 2008, BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.

Carried.....

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

None.

9. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

The following items were identified for separate discussion:

- 9.1 Item No. 11.1, deputation by representatives of the Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery updating Council on fundraising events and finances.
- 9.2 Item No. 12.1, presentation by students making the same presentation to Council that was made to the Mayor's Youth Forum concerning a Town Budget exercise
- 9.3 Item No. 15.2, various matters for disposition
- 9.4 Item No. 17.2.1, Report No. PB-2008-0124 entitled 'Planning Study Related to Interim Control By-law N. 2007-0028 (PL-3)'
- 9.5 20.1, 20.2, 23.1

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

Matters not subject to individual conflicts

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

That the following recommendations respecting the matters listed as 'Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion' be adopted as submitted to Council and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same:

Routine:

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0498

THAT THE ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE BE RECEIVED.

Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on November 17, 2008:

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0499

17.1.1 THAT REPORT NO. LS-2008-0040 ENTITLED 'SUTTON YOUTH CENTRE UPDATE' BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0500

17.1.2 THAT TOWN COUNCIL WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL AND PAVING OF THE PARKING LOT FOR THE PROPOSED DAY NURSERY IN THE FORMER CORNERSTONE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH AT 180 CHURCH STREET, KESWICK, THAT

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION cont'd:

THE ZONING ISSUES BE ADDRESSED THROUGH THE SUBMISSION OF A SITE PLAN THROUGH THE BUILDING PERMIT PROCESS SUFFICIENT TO CONFIRM ZONING COMPLIANCE, ADEQUATE SIGNAGE FOR PARKING AND DROP OFF AREAS, SUBMISSION OF A SITE PLAN AND THAT THE SAID SITE PLAN BE CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SITE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR INFORMATION.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0501

- 17.1.3
1. THAT REPORT NO. DAS-2008-0056 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION, AND;
 2. THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE THE INTRODUCTION OF A "FIRST PASS" VEHICLE INSPECTION PROGRAM AS PART OF THE TOWN'S CAPITAL BUDGET PROCESS FOR VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT.
 3. THAT A REPORT BE PREPARED DETAILING COSTS REGARDING VEHICLE MAINTENANCE FOR EACH DEPARTMENT AND SUBMITTED AS PART OF THE 2009 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS.

Carried.....

Matters subject to individual conflicts

Councilor Hackenbrook declared an interest in item No. 17.1.4 with respect of its reference to the Georgina Community Health Care Committee as his spouse is an employee of a local health care clinic; he did not participate in any discussion or vote.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0502

- 17.1.4
- THAT BY-LAW NO. 2008-0095 (COU-1) BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES/BOARDS FOR THE 2006-2010 TERM OF OFFICE, BE AMENDED BY DELETING 'MELODY IRWIN' AS A MEMBER OF THE GEORGINA COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE, AND THAT THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION cont'd:

GCHCC BE AMENDED TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FROM 8 TO 7 AND THE NUMBER OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES FROM 7 TO 6 TO REFLECT COUNCILLOR HACKENBROOK'S PECUNIARY INTEREST.

Carried.....

12. PRESENTATIONS:

- 12.1 Mathew Winch, Matt Gross and Olivia Whynot to make the same presentation to Council that was made to the Mayor's Youth Forum concerning a Town Budget exercise.

Mayor Grossi introduced Olivia Whynot and Mathew Winch from Keswick High School, and Matt Gross from Our Lady Of The Lake High School, all of whom attend the Mayor's Youth Forum. He indicated that the Forum has been in existence for six years and has won two prestigious awards. The forum was established to discuss matters of interest to the youth of our community and is made up of three or four students from each of the community schools who gather to discuss issues and problem-solve. The students were challenged at the last forum to look for ways of providing services to our community, yet saving money for the taxpayers, taking into consideration the growth of the Town by 20,000 people in the next 25 years; 16,000 in Keswick, 3,000 in Sutton and 1,000 in Pefferlaw. Their budget was \$25 Million. The students were broken up into groups to discuss how they would deal with the issues.

Olivia Whynot, 15 Panama Court, Keswick

Ms. Whynot explained that her group consisted of students from grade 6 to 11, all with different priorities, and each group was made up of students from Keswick, Sutton and Pefferlaw so that there were no prejudices.

Ms. Whynot explained that their budget included a transportation system, linking everything together. Her group decided to employ three firemen, three policemen and three EMS Personnel as population growth means more emergencies. Their budget also included new roads in Keswick, Sutton and Pefferlaw along with road maintenance, six new Town employees, and new garbage trucks and waste facilities.

Ms. Whynot advised that sidewalks were included for each new community. A seniors centre was approved in Sutton along with Health clinics in all three communities and a youth centre for the children. Their group decided that the recreational hill should be completed because once completed, it would boost our tourism which in turn would boost our economy. Their budget total was \$26 Million.

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

Matt Gross, 28 Margaret Place, Keswick

Mr. Gross thanked his teacher, Mrs. Hickey, for inviting him to attend.

Mr. Gross explained that his group decided that safety and maintenance for the Town was very important and that with 20,000 more residents, safety measures would be needed and with the way the economy is going, security would be very important. Their budget included six firemen shared between Sutton and Keswick, with one new truck for Sutton, two for Keswick and 1 new Fire Hall for Keswick as most people would be settling in Keswick.

Mr. Gross stated that his group's budget included more Policemen, Firemen and EMS personnel, along with Town Works employees. Transportation was not thought to be a necessity as a transportation network already exists and the new residents would have access to their own vehicles.

Mr. Gross explained that his group decided that another skateboard park was necessary and should be located in the Sutton area as one already exists in the Keswick area, and this would support both the Sutton and Pefferlaw communities. His group also included another ice rink in Keswick in its budget as the existing rinks are already overused.

Mr. Gross advised that his group included sidewalks in its budget along with new roads in all three communities. Their budget also included trucks, snowplows and lawnmowers to keep the Town well maintained, along with garbage trucks and waste processing facilities to keep the Town clean and pollution-free. Their budget also included a health clinic in either Keswick or Sutton.

Mr. Gross stated that his group decided to include an off-leash dog park for all the animal lovers in the Town and thought that the recreational hill should be completed as it is located between two communities and a lot of money has already been put into it and shouldn't be abandoned. Their budget total was \$25 Million, but if another \$2 Million was found, \$1 Million should be put into the Pioneer Village and \$1 Million should be spent on a senior's centre in Keswick, equaling \$27 Million.

Mathew Winch, Kennedy Road.

Mr. Winch stated that his group thought that the two most important issues were the protection of the environment and the preservation of our heritage.

Mr. Winch explained that their budget included a skateboard/BMX park because the existing skateboard park is always busy; the location would be in either Keswick or Sutton, wherever it was most needed. Their budget also included three new firemen, three policemen, three EMS personnel and six Town employees.

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

Mr. Winch explained that his group included town-wide road maintenance, another historical village, waste facilities and a transportation system. The group thought an off-leash dog park was needed, perhaps in the south end of Keswick, along with sidewalks in all three communities. The group also included three seniors centres, one in each of the communities.

Mr. Winch stated that their budget included trucks, snowplows and lawnmowers for maintenance purposes, along with two Health clinics as there are a lot of residents without physicians. His group included a trade school to encourage more students graduating high school to get into some kind of trade. They also included another youth centre.

Mr. Winch stated that his group also thought the recreational hill should be completed as it will attract more tourists. Their budget total was \$25 Million, right on budget.

Mr. Winch thanked Mayor and Council for giving the students the opportunity to get together at the Mayor's Youth Forum.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

That the meeting recess at this time (7:39 p.m.)

Carried.....

The meeting resumed at 7:42 p.m.

11. DEPUTATIONS:

11.1 Heather Fullerton, Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery, updating Council on fundraising events and finances.

Lawrence Ritchie and Heather Fullerton were in attendance.

Mr. Ritchie, representing the Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery and the Georgina Arts Council, updated Council on the fall activities and fundraising events. He acknowledged the excellent report submitted to Council by Town staff. He thanked Council for its support over the years, noting that during his tenure to date, they have managed to raise more than \$1 million in donations and gifts in kind. He stated that they have a hefty schedule for this fall of fundraising events to the extent of \$30,000.

12. DEPUTATIONS cont'd:

These are difficult economic times, but he was pleased to report that their fundraising efforts have reached \$20,000 so far. He stated that they have strong partnership with the businesses and residents in the Town and are attempting to receive support from the Canada Council and the Ontario Arts Council as well.

He requested that they be given a \$30,000 advance against their budget request for 2009 to support the Centre through the winter months. He believes their 2009 budget request will be in the area of \$60,000 but that figure will not be known until the end of this year.

Mrs. Faye Richardson, the Director of Leisure Services, stated that the Town did indeed advance funds in late November of 2007 to the Arts Centre in the amount of either \$10,000 or \$20,000.

Mr. Ritchie indicated that he believed the amount was \$30,000.

Mr. Stan Armstrong, CAO, indicated that there will be a 3% adjustment in the 2009 budget. There has been very little assessment growth this year, less than 1% resulting in some kind of budget increase for 2009.

Mr. Ritchie stated that during the winter months, the Arts Centre's income is very low but their expenses continue at the regular level, and therefore between November and May they would require a financial advance from the Town to primarily pay for salaries.

Mr. Ritchie explained that without funding, they would be unable to keep the Arts Centre's services at the same level that has been maintained over the years. A \$30,000 advance would help them through to May of 2009. The Centre could be closed down over the winter months, but staff could be lost. A small amount of income is maintained through the winter months, but if staff is lost, they will lose their momentum. He has not yet submitted a budget to the Town but he could prepare one for submission within the next two weeks. He advised that without the budget prepared, it looks like the Arts Centre will need approximately \$75,000 through the course of next year, from whatever avenues are available. He also indicated that a business plan is underway.

Mrs. Faye Richardson, Director of Leisure Services, stated that there are monies in reserve that could be used to keep the Arts Centre open over the winter months. Funds were put in reserve for roof repairs, but emergency repairs were done to the roof and the money has been held in abeyance for the final decision on whether a new roof is necessary or an addition will be constructed.

12. DEPUTATIONS cont'd:

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook,

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

That the Town advance \$30,000 from contingencies against the 2009 operating budget commitment for the Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery to assist them in maintaining their level of service between November, 2008 and May, 2009.

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Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0503

THAT THE DEPUTATION MADE BY LAWRENCE RITCHIE, REPRESENTING THE GEORGINA ARTS CENTRE AND GALLERY AND THE GEORGINA ARTS COUNCIL, CONCERNING THE ANNUAL TOWN GRANT AND REQUESTING AN ADVANCE ON THAT GRANT, BE RECEIVED AND THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER BE REQUESTED TO ADVANCE \$10,000 FROM CONTINGENCIES AGAINST THE 2009 OPERATING BUDGET COMMITMENT FOR THE GEORGINA ARTS CENTRE AND GALLERY TO ALLOW THEM TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS THROUGH THE WINTER MONTHS, AND THAT THE ARTS CENTRE SUBMIT ITS BUDGET AND BUSINESS PLAN FOR 2009 FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN ADDITIONAL ADVANCE TO BE CIRCULATED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS PRIOR TO A COUNCIL MEETING FOR REVIEW.

Carried.....

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

None.

14. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

None.

15. COMMUNICATIONS:

15.2 Matters for Disposition:

- 15.2.1 Lisa Lyons, Committee Secretary, Georgina Equity and Diversity Committee, requesting Council recognize and declare March 21st as 'International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination' throughout the Town of Georgina.

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0504

THAT TOWN COUNCIL DECLARE MARCH 21ST, 2009 AS THE "INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION" THROUGHOUT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA.

Carried.....

- 15.2.2 Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance and Jim Watson, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, following up on the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal and Service Delivery Review report and providing information on the impact of its recommendations on the Ontario Municipal partnership Fund.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0505

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM DWIGHT DUNCAN, MINISTER OF FINANCE AND JIM WATSON, MINISTRY OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, FOLLOWING UP ON THE PROVINCIAL-MUNICIPAL FISCAL AND SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW REPORT AND PROVIDING INFORMATION ON THE IMPACT OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP FUND, BE RECEIVED.

Carried.....

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

- 15.2.3 Patrick Puccini, URS Canada Inc., respecting a Class Environmental Assessment Study respecting the need for an interchange that would connect Doane Road to the proposed extension of Highway 404; written concerns by December 19, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0506

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM PATRICK PUCCINI, URS CANADA INC., RESPECTING A CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY RESPECTING THE NEED FOR AN INTERCHANGE THAT WOULD CONNECT DOANE ROAD TO THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF HIGHWAY 404; WRITTEN CONCERNS BY DECEMBER 19, 2008 BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING FOR REVIEW AND SUBMISSION OF A REPORT TO COUNCIL

Carried.....

16. PETITIONS:

None.

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:17.2 Report from the Planning and Building Department:

- 17.2.1 Planning Study Related to Interim Control By-law No. 2007-0028 (PL-3)

Report No. PB-2008-0124

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0507

- A. THAT REPORT PB-2008-0124 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS cont'd:

- B. THAT COUNCIL APPROVE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO A MAXIMUM OF \$10,000.00 TO FACILITATE THE COMPLETION OF THE PLANNING STUDY/REVIEW BEING UNDERTAKEN BY HBR PLANNING CENTRE OF THE LAND USE AND SEVERANCE POLICIES IN THE LAKESHORE RESIDENTIAL DESIGNATION WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO THE WILLOW BEACH SERVICING AREA.
- C. THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE HOLDING OF A STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER A 'POLICY DIRECTION REPORT' AND 'PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT DOCUMENT' WHICH ARE BASED ON THE POLICY DIRECTION CONTAINED WITHIN REPORT PB-2008-0124 AND OUTLINED IN MORE DETAIL IN SCHEDULE '3' ATTACHED TO REPORT PB-2008-0124.

Carried.....

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

19. REGIONAL BUSINESS:

None.

20. BY-LAWS:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

That the following by-law be given three readings:

- 20.1 By-law Number 2008-0127 (COU-1) Being a By-law to reappoint Regional Councillor Wheeler to the Committee of Adjustment for the term ending December 31, 2009.

Carried.....

21. MOTIONS:

None.

22. NOTICES OF MOTION:

None.

23. OTHER BUSINESS:

23.1 Signing Officers

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0508

WHEREAS IT IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE TD CANADA TRUST AN UPDATED RESOLUTION DETAILING THE SIGNING OFFICERS FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA CORPORATE ACCOUNTS AS A RESULT OF CERTAIN PERSONNEL CHANGES WITHIN THE CORPORATE STRUCTURE.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT THE SIGNING OFFICERS FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA CORPORATE ACCOUNTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ROBERT GROSSI – MAYOR

STAN ARMSTRONG – CAO/DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES &
TREASURER

SUSAN PLAMONDON – CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DARLENE CARSON-HILDEBRAND – MANAGER OF FINANCE & DEPUTY
TREASURER

ROBERT MAGLOUGHLEN – DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

HAROLD LENTERS – DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & BUILDING

FAYE RICHARDSON – DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES

AND ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL DESIGNATED BY BY-LAW TO ASSUME THE ROLE OF DEPUTY TREASURER AS REQUIRED FROM TIME TO TIME.

Carried.....

The Town Clerk was requested to provide Council with a copy of the excerpt from the June 23, 2008 Council minutes concerning a presentation made by Canada Post representatives respecting their mail box safety review. In addition, Robert Fortier, Operations Manager, Engineering and Public Works Department, was requested to attend a Council meeting to provide Council with information concerning the identification of locations for Community Mail Boxes.

24. RECESS COUNCIL AND RESOLVE INTO CLOSED MEETING:

None.

25. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING:

None.

20. BY-LAWS cont'd:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

That the following by-law be given three readings:

20.2	By-law Number 2008-0128 (AD-3)	Being a By-law to delegate the duties of the Clerk in his or her absence; to repeal By-law No. 2002-0179 (AD-3) and appoint Sue Plamondon and Kathleen Foster as Deputy Clerks for the Town.
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Carried.....

26. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

That the following by-law be given three readings:

By-law Number 2008-0129 (COU-2)	Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.
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Carried.....

27. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

That the meeting adjourn at this time (9:06 p.m.).

Carried.....

Robert Grossi, Mayor

Roland Chenier, Town Clerk