

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

December 1, 2008
(10:00 a.m.)

1. MOMENT OF MEDITATION:

A moment of meditation was observed.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Town Clerk gave the roll call and the following Committee Members were present;

Councillor Jordan

Councillor Jamieson

Councillor Hackenbrook

Councillor Smockum, Acting Mayor

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Committee Members were advised of a number of community events taking place.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS AND DEPUTATIONS:

The following addendum items were identified as part of the agenda:

- 4.1 Motion to appoint Councillor Jordan as the Town representative on the South Shore Community Broadband Board of Directors under Other Business

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0309

THAT THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM ITEMS BE APPROVED:

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA cont'd:

5.1 MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLOR JORDAN AS THE TOWN REPRESENTATIVE ON THE SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY BROADBAND BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNDER OTHER BUSINESS

Carried.....

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None.

7. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0310

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 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. 12.1, presentation by Christine Thomas of the Georgina Chamber of Commerce to discuss a location for the Georgina Highland Games to be held on June 20, 2009.
- 9.2 Item No. 15.2, various matters for disposition
- 9.3 Item No. 17.2.1, Report No. LS-2008-0039 entitled 'Leash Free Dog Park'
- 9.4 Item No. 22.1, Rural Mailbox Safety Review
- 9.5 Item No. 22.2, South Shore Community Broadband Board of Directors appointment

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

10.1 Matters not subject to individual conflicts

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

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:

Reports:

17.1.1 2009 Interim Tax Levy

Report No. DAS-2008-0058

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0311

1. THAT REPORT NO. DAS-2008-0058, "2009 INTERIM TAX LEVY" BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.
2. THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING REGARDING THE 2009 INTERIM REALTY TAX LEVIES:
 - THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA AUTHORIZE AN INTERIM TAX LEVY ON ALL RATEABLE REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF GEORGINA WHICH HAS BEEN ASSESSED ACCORDING TO THE LAST REVISED ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND
 - THAT THE 2009 INTERIM TAX LEVY BE SET AT 50% OF THE TOTAL 2008 TAXES PAYABLE ON EACH PROPERTY; AND
 - THAT FOR NEW PROPERTIES ADDED TO THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 2009 TAXATION, TAX RATES WOULD BE EQUIVALENT TO 50% OF THE 2008 TAX RATE AS INDICATED BY APPENDIX "A"; AND
 - THAT THE INTERIM TAX LEVY FOR THESE REALTY TAXES BE PAID IN TWO RELATIVELY EQUAL INSTALMENTS AND THE INSTALMENTS SHALL BE DUE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2009 AND TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009; AND

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

- THAT THE TREASURER AND/OR TAX COLLECTOR BE AUTHORIZED TO AMEND IN WHOLE OR IN PART ANY BILLING IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH ANY PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION WHICH MAY BE INTRODUCED OR PASSED BY THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO PRIOR TO OR AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THE BILLING; AND
- THAT THE ATTACHED BY-LAW BE PASSED GIVING EFFECT TO THESE RECOMMENDATIONS.

17.3.1 Collection and Recycling of White Bale Wrap

- i) Region of York Memorandum of Understanding
- ii) Agreement with Think Plastics Inc.

Report No. EPW-2008-0048

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0312

1. THAT REPORT NO. EPW-2008-0048 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.
2. THAT A BY-LAW BE PASSED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE REGION OF YORK REGARDING USE OF THE FORMER LANDFILL SITE AS PART OF THE REGIONAL RECYCLING DEPOT.
3. THAT A BY-LAW BE PASSED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THINK PLASTICS INC. FOR THE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING OF WHITE BALE WRAP.
4. THAT AN AMOUNT OF \$7,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE LANDFILL CONTINGENCY RESERVE FUND TO CONSTRUCT A TEMPORARY LOADING AND UNLOADING FACILITY TO HANDLE THIS MATERIAL AT EITHER THE WARDEN AVENUE TRANSFER STATION OR THE YARD 2 PATROL YARD.

Carried.....

10.2 Matters subject to individual conflicts

None.

11. DEPUTATIONS:

None.

12. PRESENTATIONS:

12.1 Christine Thomas of the Georgina Chamber of Commerce to discuss a location for the Georgina Highland Games to be held on June 20, 2009.

Ms. Thomas stated that she represents both the Georgina Chamber of Commerce and the Highland Gathering Committee and indicated that the Chamber of Commerce would like to revive the Highland Games in Georgina. She stated that she has been involved in the Gatherings since she was a child and has since taught highland dancing, is the mother of a piper, is the manager of a pipe band, sits on the executive of the largest highland dance committee in Ontario and was a part of the Committee when the Games were held in 1980.

Ms. Thomas explained that the Gathering brings together the traditions and culture of the Scottish highlands including pipe bands, competitions, events, a tea garden, a beer garden and educational activities through which children are able to learn the culture. Events are also incorporated so that attendees can participate in the Games as well.

Ms. Thomas advised that the Gatherings have been held for many centuries. A Highland dance competition was held in Georgina last year, drawing 165 families as competitors.

Ms. Thomas explained that the Highland Games would increase tourism to the area and help the local businesses. The Chamber would like to host a one-day annual event for residents to come out and participate in and for non-residents to visit the Town. The event would also bring a lot of the local service groups together. She stated that the Chamber is looking at De La Salle Park as the ideal location for this event as it is not far from Toronto and it would showcase Lake Simcoe to visitors. A competition was held last year at the Salvation Army Camp and some of the competitors returned to the area because of the beautiful lake setting. They believe that De La Salle park would promote Georgina by showcasing the lake.

Ms. Thomas explained that a lot of people camp during these events and do stay to visit and shop locally. She stated that she has provided a draft layout for the park indicating where the different events could be located. She explained that these Games have been held in small towns for years, including Fergus, Uxbridge, Embro, Cobourg and Maxville.

Ms. Thomas stated that she is hoping Council will support this endeavour. They would require permission to use the park as well as permits for the tents, beer garden and a liquor license. She also noted that they would need help restoring the park. They cannot advertise the event until a venue has been decided upon.

Ms. Thomas stated that if De La Salle Park is utilized for the event, there would be approximately 200 dancers attending who would be using the parking areas as they come with a lot of equipment. She has spoken with the Salvation Army Camp representative about possibly using their parking lot during the event and she is hoping to set up parking locations in Keswick and Sutton and run shuttles to accommodate all the visitors. She

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

stated that it would be the dancers who would stay over, mostly likely at a local campground. Most of these events are one-day events, although three in southern Ontario are 2-day events in Maxville, Uxbridge and Fergus.

Ms. Thomas indicated that she would prefer De La Salle Park because it is relatively central to the Town and provides easy access for those travelling to the event and visitors would have a lakefront view wherever they are in the park. A beer garden is one of the focal points of this type of event and the Salvation Army campground is a non-alcoholic facility, therefore they are looking for another site.

Mrs. Faye Richardson, Director of Leisure Services, stated that as far as the parking issue is concerned, residents and non-residents that would come to spend the day at the park would have to be rerouted. She also noted that a beer garden at De La Salle Park could create problems as they have had numerous issues with patrons during the summer season every year, without a beer garden. She suggested the Civic Centre grounds to be a suitable location.

Ms. Thomas stated that one of the major issues for every facility in Georgina is the lack of parking and that is why the shuttles would be necessary. The event will be completed and everyone will have left the park by 8:00 p.m. She noted that the beer tent would have to be fully enclosed and fenced in and the park would need to be closed for the day. The beachfront would still be available for visitors to access although parking would be an issue. If the park was to be closed for the event, this fact would be advertised on the Town's website. She stated that the park in Uxbridge is huge and is closed for the event every year, as well as in Cobourg. She noted that the liquor permit would be in the Chamber's name and the Chamber is insured. She also advised that the Chamber's mandate is to promote tourism and it does not believe that holding this event in the middle of a field such as the Sutton Fairgrounds would bring the people back to the Town as there is no lakefront to attract them.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0313

THAT THE DEPUTATION MADE BY CHRISTINA THOMAS OF THE GEORGINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUESTING THE USE OF DE LA SALLE PARK FOR THE GEORGINA HIGHLANDS GAMES ON JUNE 20, 2009, BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO PREPARE A REPORT EXPLORING THE POTENTIAL FOR OTHER VENUES SUCH AS THE SUTTON FAIRGROUNDS OR SIBBALD POINT PROVINCIAL PARK, FOR SUBMISSION AT THE DECEMBER 8, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING.

Carried.....

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

17.2 Report from the Leisure Services Department:

17.2.1 Leash Free Dog Park

Report No. LS-2008-0039

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0314

- 1 THAT REPORT LS-2008-0039 BE RECEIVED.
- 2 THAT MAYOR AND COUNCIL ENDORSE AND APPROVE IN PRINCIPAL THE FORMATION OF A LEASH FREE DOG PARK TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE NORTH-WESTERLY PART OF WEST PARK ADJACENT TO LAKE DRIVE SOUTH.
- 3 THAT MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO FORM A LEASH FREE DOG PARK COMMITTEE: TOM JOYCE, BEVERLY KOLB, JUDY KROES, JAN LEFORTE, SARAH MURRAY, RHONDA RISEBROUGH AND TRICIA SOULIER.
- 4 THAT MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINT A MEMBER OF COUNCIL ALONG WITH STAFF REPRESENTATION FROM LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, CANINE DIVISION AND BY-LAW DIVISION TO BE MEMBERS OF THIS NEWLY FORMED COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL AND HAVE THIS COMMITTEE REPORT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES BACK TO COUNCIL IN THE FORM OF A CONCEPT PLAN.
- 5 THAT THE COMMITTEE ORGANIZE AND ADVERTISE ACCORDINGLY A PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION TO PROVIDE RESIDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THEIR COMMENTS RELATING TO THE LEASH FREE DOG PARK PRIOR TO THE FINALIZATION OF THE CONCEPT PLAN.
6. THAT COUNCILLOR JORDAN BE APPOINTED AS THE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE ON THE LEASH FREE DOG PARK COMMITTEE.

Carried.....

22. OTHER BUSINESS:**22.1 Rural Mailbox Safety Review**

- i) Excerpt from the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on June 23, 2008, concerning a presentation regarding Canada Post's rural mail safety review.
- ii) Copy of submission from Canada Post at the June 23, 2008 Council Meeting.

Mr. Bob Magloughlen, Director of Engineering and Public Works, stated that rural mail boxes are traditionally dealt with by Canada Post, while Canada Post contacts the Town office with regard to appropriate locations for community mail boxes. Canada Post has not yet contacted the Town with regard to any community mail box placements. He is aware of a resident petition circulating against the removal of rural mail boxes.

Mr. Bob Fortier, Operations Manager, Engineering and Public Works Department, advised that the Town has not been contacted by Canada Post since their presentation to Council in June of this year.

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0315

THAT THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS CONTACT CANADA POST WITH REGARD TO THE RESULTS OF THE RURAL MAILBOX SAFETY REVIEW AND POTENTIAL LOCATIONS FOR COMMUNITY MAIL BOXES, THAT CANADA POST REPRESENTATIVES BE REQUESTED TO ATTEND A COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THIS ISSUE AND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND THAT IT BE REQUESTED TO DEFER ANY CHANGES TO THE RURAL MAIL DELIVERY AREAS UNTIL THIS DISCUSSION HAS TAKEN PLACE, THAT THE OFFICE OF PETER VAN LOAN, M.P., BE ADVISED OF COUNCIL'S ACTIONS FOR ANY ASSISTANCE HE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AND THAT THIS MOTION BE DEALT WITH AT A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING.

Carried.....

14. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

None.

15. COMMUNICATIONS:

15.1 Matters for Routine:

None.

15.2 Matters for Disposition:

- 15.2.1 Georgina Heritage Advisory Committee requesting Council's endorsement and approval of a draft letter in support of preserving the East Gwillimbury Radial Station.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0316

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM GEORGINA HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUESTING COUNCIL'S ENDORSEMENT AND APPROVAL OF A DRAFT LETTER IN SUPPORT OF PRESERVING THE EAST GWILLIMBURY RADIAL STATION BE DEFERRED TO THE COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 8, 2008, TO DETERMINE AT WHICH STAGE THE DESIGNATION OF 163 HIGH STREET IS IN THE APPEAL PROCESS.

Carried.....

- 15.2.2 Mike Milinkovich, Mayor, Township of Black River-Matheson, requesting support of a "Head of Councils Association of Ontario".

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0317

THAT THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM MIKE MILINKOVICH, MAYOR, TOWNSHIP OF BLACK RIVER-MATHESON, REQUESTING SUPPORT OF A "HEAD OF COUNCILS ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO", BE RECEIVED.

Carried.....

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

- 15.2.3 Chris Somerville, Township Clerk, Township of King, requesting support of its position that the proponents be requested to extend the commenting period on the environmental review reports to a date that is a minimum of 45 days beyond the date the Ontario Power Authority publicly announces the preferred 350 MW Energy Generation Peaking Plant project.

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0318

THAT TOWN COUNCIL ENDORSE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING TO REQUEST AN EXTENSION OF THE COMMENTING PERIOD ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REPORTS TO A DATE THAT IS A MINIMUM OF 45 DAYS BEYOND THE DATE THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY PUBLICLY ANNOUNCES THE PREFERRED 350 MW ENERGY GENERATION PEAKING PLANT PROJECT, TO ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL INPUT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE PROPONENTS AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT PROCESS.

Carried.....

- 15.2.4 The Association of Municipalities of Ontario requesting feedback from its members on the draft paper "Government Makes a Difference; Working Together Towards Poverty Reduction" by Friday, January 9, 2009.

Moved by Councillor Jordan

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0319

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO REQUESTING FEEDBACK FROM ITS MEMBERS ON THE DRAFT PAPER "GOVERNMENT MAKES A DIFFERENCE; WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS POVERTY REDUCTION" BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2009, BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR CIRCULATION TO STAFF FOR ANY COMMENTS.

Carried.....

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

- 15.2.5 The Association of Municipalities of Ontario inviting municipalities to participate in Waste Diversion Act Review Consultation Sessions across the Province.

Bob Magloughlen, Director of Engineering and Public Works, made comments on these sessions.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0320

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO INVITING MUNICIPALITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN WASTE DIVERSION ACT REVIEW CONSULTATION SESSIONS ACROSS THE PROVINCE, BE RECEIVED.

Carried.....

16. PETITIONS:

None.

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

19. REGIONAL BUSINESS:

None.

20. MOTIONS:

None.

21. NOTICES OF MOTION:

None.

22. OTHER BUSINESS:

22.2 South Shore Community Broadband

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2008-0321

THAT COUNCILLOR JORDAN BE APPOINTED AS THE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE ON THE SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY BROADBAND BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Carried.....

23. RECESS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND RESOLVE INTO CLOSED MEETING:

N/a

24. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING:

N/a

25. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

That the Committee of the Whole meeting adjourn at this time (11:00 a.m.) and move into a Special Council meeting to deal with the following issues;

- i) Roll Call
- ii) Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
- iii) Ratification of all Committee of the Whole resolutions of December 1, 2008.
- iv) Confirming By-law
- v) Adjournment

Carried.....