

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

COUNCIL MINUTES

November 9, 2009
(7:00 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:

Deputy Mayor Wheeler
Councillor Jamieson
Councillor Hackenbrook

Councillor Jordan Clark
Councillor Szollosy
Councillor Smockum

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0476

THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER EXTEND COMMENDATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATE STAFF MEMBERS FOR THEIR EFFORTS TOWARDS ASSISTING WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF THE SUTTON KIN HALL FLU CLINICS AS WELL AS ASSISTING THOSE ATTENDING THE CLINICS.

Carried.....

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS AND DEPUTATIONS:

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

4.1 Report No. LS-2009-0022 entitled 'Program Update' as Item No. 17.2.1

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Jordan Clark

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0477

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

5.1 REPORT NO. LS-2009-0022 ENTITLED 'PROGRAM UPDATE', AS ITEM NO. 17.2.1

Carried.....

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None.

7. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Jordan Clark

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0478

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 26, 2009, BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0479

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2009, 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. 15.2, various matters for disposition
- 9.2 Item No. 12.1, presentation by Daniele Zanotti, CEO, United Way of York Region
- 9.3 Item No. 17.2.1, Report No. LS-2009-0022 entitled 'Program Update'

Carried.....

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

- 10.1 Matters not subject to individual conflicts

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jordan Clark

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-2009-0480

THAT THE ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE BE RECEIVED.

Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on November 2, 2009:

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0481

- 1. THAT REPORT NO. DAS-2009-0060 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION;
AND
- 2. THAT ON A TRIAL BASIS VEHICLES BE ALLOWED TO PARK ON THE BOULEVARD BETWEEN THE CURB AND THE SIDEWALK INCLUDING PART OF THE GRASSED AREA ON CRITTENDEN DRIVE WITHIN THE SIMCOE LANDING SUBDIVISION FOR THE 2009/2010 WINTER SEASON AND THAT THE RESIDENTS OF CRITTENDEN DRIVE BE ADVISED OF THIS TEMPORARY MEASURE AND FOLLOWING THE 2009/2010 WINTER SEASON A PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION BE HELD FOR THESE RESIDENTS TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION AND TO DETERMINE IF THE BOULEVARD PARKING IS AGREEABLE TO ALL CONCERNED AND THAT STAFF REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL WITH THE FINDINGS.

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

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0482

THAT REPORT LS-2009-0023 ENTITLED 'LEISURE SERVICES – YOUTH SERVICES CONTRACT' CONCERNING ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH JERICHO YOUTH SERVICES TO FACILITATE YOUTH PROGRAMS AT THE PEFFERLAW YOUTH CENTRE, SUTTON YOUTH CENTRE AND THE GEORGINA GYM AT A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$243,784.61 IN 2010 AND \$251,284.61 IN 2011 AS NEGOTIATED, BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION AND REFERRED TO THE 2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION AND TO THE DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES TO NEGOTIATE A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0483

THAT REPORT NO. DAS-2009-0061 ENTITLED 'CURRENT STATUS OF BOTH ADVERTISING DEVICES AND THE BY-LAW GOVERNING THEM IN THE TOWN OF GEORGINA' BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0484

THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE THE RESOLUTION FROM THE CANADIAN COMMISSION FOR UNESCO ON THE CANADIAN COALITION OF MUNICIPALITIES AGAINST RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION, AS FOLLOWS:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNDERSIGNED MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES OF THE CANADIAN COALITION OF MUNICIPALITIES AGAINST RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION, PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS AND SUPPORTERS UNANIMOUSLY:

1. EXPRESS OUR STRONG AND ONGOING COMMITMENT TO CHAMPION EQUITY AND RESPECT FOR ALL PEOPLE THROUGH THE COALITION, THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE TEN COMMON COMMITMENTS AGAINST RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION AND EACH MUNICIPALITY'S OWN UNIQUE PLAN OF ACTION;
2. ACKNOWLEDGE THAT RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION IN CANADA CONTINUES TO DIVIDE COMMUNITIES, THREATEN DEMOCRATIC AND PARTICIPATORY CITIZENSHIP AND ENTRENCH AND AGGRAVATE INEQUALITIES WITHIN SOCIETY;
3. RECOGNIZE THAT THE WORK OF THE COALITION WILL BE STRENGTHENED BY AN INCREASED MEMBERSHIP REPRESENTATIVE OF MUNICIPALITIES ACROSS CANADA;

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

4. WELCOME THE ONGOING ROLE OF THE CANADIAN COMMISSION FOR UNESCO IN THE WORK OF THE CANADIAN COALITION AND OF UNESCO IN THE INTERNATIONAL COALITION AND THE REGIONAL COALITIONS;
5. CALL UPON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL, MUNICIPAL, PROVINCIAL AND PAN-CANADIAN ORGANIZATIONS, TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH BY THE COALITION;
6. FURTHER CALL UPON THE FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES TO MAKE A STRONG AND ONGOING COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE CANADIAN COALITION OF MUNICIPALITIES AGAINST RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION AND TO REITERATE ITS CALL TO ITS MEMBERS IN THE MEMBER'S ADVISORY ISSUED OCTOBER 14, 2005 TO JOIN THE COALITION.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0485

THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE THE POSITION OF THE CITY OF NORTH BAY REQUESTING OUR SENATORS AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO EXCLUDE CANADA FROM THE BUY AMERICAN RESTRICTIONS, THEREBY ALLOWING U.S. CITIES TO PURCHASE CANADIAN GOODS AND SERVICES WITH STIMULUS MONEY.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0486

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM ROBERT R. MCLAUGHLIN, PROJECT MANAGER, AMEC, CONCERNING A PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE FOR THE DETAIL DESIGN ON THE 'HIGHWAY 404 EXTENSION; GREEN LANE TO QUEENSVILLE SIDEROAD' BE RECEIVED AND THAT COUNCIL ACCEPTS THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION'S OFFER TO ATTEND THE FIRST COUNCIL MEETING IN DECEMBER TO UPDATE COUNCIL ON THE HIGHWAY 404 EXTENSION AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

Carried.....

10.2 Matters subject to individual conflicts

None.

11. DEPUTATIONS:

None.

12. PRESENTATIONS:

- 12.1 Daniele Zanotti, CEO, United Way of York Region, making a presentation regarding the 2009 Campaign, updating Council in key initiatives and recognizing Council's continued support.

Mr. Zanotti expressed appreciation to Town Council for support of the United Way over many years, for being the home of many agencies including Sandgate Women's Shelter, Jericho, Hospice Georgina, Job Skills, and for member agencies that provide services in Georgina.

Mr. Zanotti explained that this year's United Way booklet entitled 'Addressing our Strengths' was released on October 5th during United Way Week and tells the story of York Region today in the face of breathtaking growth. There is strength and resilience in York Region; there is a lack of affordable housing and funding, but there are also strengths. Communities across York Region also identify strongly with their communities of faith, culture, language and interests and are eager to maintain this envied quality of life.

Mr. Zanotti indicated that United Way is helping youth grow up strong, noting that York Region has the highest percentage of youth aged 0-14 and aged 14-25. Youth are often a forgotten and neglected component of our society. He stated that York Region residents asked United Way to focus on enabling individuals and families to achieve economic independence; good jobs, affordable housing and food security. He stated that there has been a 55% increase in the number of people living below the poverty line. He further indicated that York Region residents asked United Way to focus on improving the wellbeing of individuals and community through community involvement and volunteer opportunities.

Mr. Zanotti thanked Georgina for its support of the United Way campaign, noting that more people will require more support, especially in difficult economic times such as this year.

Mr. Zanotti explained that one of only two United Way agencies across Canada surpassed their fundraising goal. This year United Way has set an aggressive goal of 2.7% over last year, noting that \$7.65 Million is needed for local services exclusively. They have reached 56% of that goal, unbelievably 3% higher than last year at this time. A lot of businesses have suffered but residents continue to give at the same level as last year, they are recognizing that others are in need and are stepping up to meet the challenge. United Way has also outreached to additional companies and businesses to encourage participation. The economic situation has not seemed to impact to United Way agencies. He stated that there is a projected increase in the number of people contacting Ontario Works and the use of food banks has grown over 40% in the last six to eight months.

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

Mr. Zanotti advised that with regard to the Regional campaign, Council set an aggressive goal of \$250,000, an increase over last years achievement of \$230,000 and last week he participated in their goal announcement where they surpassed their goal, reaching \$252,000. He noted that these funds are raised purely through employees contributing through payroll and special events.

Mr. Zanotti indicated that the Georgina Food Bank is not currently a member of United Way, but that the York Region Food Network is. All food banks meet an important fundamental need and are in a position to apply for United Way support if they wish. He noted that many food banks in other municipalities within York Region are members of the United Way.

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0487

THAT THE PRESENTATION BY DANIELE ZANOTTI, CEO, UNITED WAY OF YORK REGION, CONCERNING THE 2009 CAMPAIGN AND UPDATING COUNCIL ON THE KEY INITIATIVES OF THE CAMPAIGN, BE RECEIVED WITH THANKS.

Carried.....

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

17.2 Report from the Leisure Services Department:

17.2.1 Program Update

Report No. LS-2009-0022

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0488

THAT REPORT NO. LS-2009-0022 ENTITLED 'PROGRAM UPDATE' CONCERNING THE 'BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR' AND 'LEISURE SERVICES TOY DRIVE' PROGRAMS BE RECEIVED.

Carried.....

14. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

None.

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

15. COMMUNICATIONS:

15.2 Matters for Disposition:

- 15.2.1 Stephane Thiffeault, General Manager, Corporate Services, County Clerk, County of Lambton, requesting support of its position concerning a moratorium on major health care restructuring.

Councillor Hackenbrook declared an interest in Item No. 15.2.1 at this time because his spouse is an employee of a local health clinic; he did not participate in any discussion or vote.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0489

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM STEPHANE THIFFEAULT, GENERAL MANAGER, CORPORATE SERVICES, COUNTY CLERK, COUNTY OF LAMBTON, REQUESTING SUPPORT OF ITS POSITION CONCERNING A MORATORIUM ON MAJOR HEALTH CARE RESTRUCTURING BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE GEORGINA COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION.

Carried.....

- 15.2.2 Township of Frontenac Islands requesting support from all municipalities in Ontario of its position to keep the six prison farms in various Canadian provinces open.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0490

THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE THE POSITION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRONTENAC ISLANDS TO KEEP THE SIX PRISON FARMS LOCATED IN VARIOUS CANADIAN PROVINCES OPEN DUE TO THE MANY BENEFITS

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

DERIVED FROM PRISON FARM EXPERIENCE INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO AN APPRECIATION FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF RESPECTING YOUR SURROUNDINGS, LEARNING A RESPECTIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH ANIMALS AND NATURE, BUILDING SELF-WORTH AND SELF-ESTEEM WHICH WILL ASSIST IN RE-INTEGRATION INTO SOCIETY, PUNCTUALITY, DISCIPLINE, RESPONSIBILITY, GOOD WORK ETHIC AND TEAMWORK, AS WELL AS THE SAVINGS DERIVED FROM LOCALLY GROWN FOOD, AND THAT THIS MOTION BE FORWARDED TO THE HONOURABLE PETER VAN LOAN, MP FOR YORK-SIMCOE AND TO CORRECTION SERVICES CANADA FOR CONSIDERATION.

Carried.....

- 15.2.3 Lisa Lyons, Committee Secretary, Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee, requesting Council recognize and declare March 21, 2010 as 'International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination'.

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0491

THAT COUNCIL DECLARE MARCH 21, 2010, AS 'INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION' THROUGHOUT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA.

Carried.....

- 15.2.4 Lisa Lyons, Committee Secretary, Agricultural Advisory Committee, requesting Council to investigate a plan for providing better maintenance of rural roadsides.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0492

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GEORGINA AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUESTING COUNCIL INVESTIGATE A PLAN FOR PROVIDING BETTER MAINTENANCE OF RURAL ROADSIDES BE RECEIVED

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

AND REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS TO EXPLORE THE OPTIONS CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF RURAL ROADSIDE WEEDS, AS WELL AS THE CONTROL OF A LOCAL INVASIVE SPECIES 'DOG STRANGLING VINE' AND REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION.

Carried.....

- 15.2.5 Lisa Lyons, Committee Secretary, Agricultural Advisory Committee, requesting the staff investigate the use of Baleboard for new projects, where applicable, to support the White Plastic Farm Bale Wrap Recycling Program.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Szollosy

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0493

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GEORGINA AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUESTING THE STAFF INVESTIGATE THE USE OF BALEBOARD FOR NEW PROJECTS WHERE APPLICABLE TO SUPPORT THE WHITE PLASTIC FARM BALE WRAP RECYCLING PROGRAM BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR INVESTIGATION AND EVALUATION OF BALEBOARD AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO WOOD AND TO MAKE STAFF AWARE OF THIS OPTION FOR CONSIDERATION FOR PROJECTS, ALONG WITH ITS INCLUSION IN THE LIFECYCLE ANALYSIS PROGRAM.

Carried.....

16. PETITIONS:

None.

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

19. REGIONAL BUSINESS:

Councillor Hackenbrook mentioned the need for an addition to the sidewalk to the Shoberry's Daycare Centre on the west side of High Street just south of Burke Street to increase safety of children boarding and disembarking from school buses. He suggested that the buses pick up and drop off the children on Burke Street rather than on High Street so as not to impede vehicles exiting the highway onto High Street.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. C-2009-0494

THAT THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS INVESTIGATE THE NEED AND POTENTIAL COSTS FOR AN EXTENSION TO THE SIDEWALK ON THE WEST SIDE OF HIGH STREET FROM BURKE STREET SOUTH TO SHOBBERRY'S DAYCARE CENTRE.

Carried.....

20. BY-LAWS:

None.

21. MOTIONS:

None.

22. NOTICES OF MOTION:

None.

23. OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

24. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

That the following by-law be given three readings:

By-law Number 2009-0123 (COU-2)

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings.

Carried.....

25. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

That the meeting adjourn at this time (7:50 p.m.).

Carried.....

Danny Wheeler, Deputy Mayor

Roland Chenier, Town Clerk