

# **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA**

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

(Tuesday) February 17, 2009  
(9:07 a.m.)

1. MOMENT OF MEDITATION:

A moment of meditation was observed.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Mayor Grossi

Councillor Hackenbrook

Councillor Jamieson

Councillor Smockum

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS AND DEPUTATIONS:

4.1 Deputations by Jamal Harvey, Nick Mochanuc and another individual concerning Item No. 12.1

4.2 e-mail message from the Chief Administrative Officer concerning Item No. 12.1

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0032**

THAT THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM ITEMS, BE APPROVED

5.1 DEPUTATIONS BY JAMAL HARVEY, NICK MOCHANUC AND ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL CONCERNING ITEM NO. 12.1

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA cont'd:

5.2 E-MAIL MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
CONCERNING ITEM NO. 12.1

Carried.....

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None.

7. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0033**

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 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. 12.1, presentation respecting the Blue Bridge Festival

9.2 Item No. 15, various matters for disposition

9.3 Item No. 17.2.1, Report No. PB-2009-0015 entitled 'Extension to Draft Plan  
Approval, Daycornet Keswick Inc. (Al Berg)

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

10.1 Matters not subject to individual conflicts

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

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. CW-2009-0034**

THAT THE ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE BE RECEIVED.

Reports:

17.1.1 Sutton Agricultural Society – Request for Funding

Report No. CAO-2009-0003

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0035**

1. THAT REPORT NO. CAO-2009-0003 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION; AND
2. THAT THE TOWN GIVE A GRANT IN THE FORM OF A LOAN TO THE SUTTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY TO BE SECURED BY A PROMISSORY NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$40,000.00 ON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET OUT IN THIS REPORT; AND
3. THAT CONSIDERATION OF THE SUTTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S REQUEST FOR GRANT BE REFERRED TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION AFTER THE 2009 BUDGET FOR GRANTS HAS BEEN APPROVED.

17.3.1 Remuneration and Expenses/Members of Council  
and Council Appointees to Local Boards

Report No. DAS-2009-0014

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0036**

1. THAT REPORT NO. DAS-2009-0014 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION; AND

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

2. THAT THE SCHEDULES DETAILING THE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND COUNCIL APPOINTEES TO LOCAL BOARDS, AS REQUIRED UNDER THE MUNICIPAL ACT, BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

Carried.....

10.2 Matters subject to individual conflicts

None.

11. DEPUTATIONS:

None.

12. PRESENTATIONS:

- 12.1 Linda Condry, Board of Directors and Brenda Muller, Artistic Director for the Blue Bridge Festival, requesting Council support for the 2009 event.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

That the Rules of Procedure be waived to permit individuals to address Council.

Carried.....

Linda Condry, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Blue Bridge Festival, thanked Council for its previous support of the event. She stated that she does not live in Georgina but she supports the arts wherever they may happen. She explained that she visited Georgina as a parent and believes the festival has great potential and provides an opportunity for great artistic material and concerts to draw visitors into Georgina.

Ms. Condry explained that the festival has been established as a multi-venue festival modeled in the European style. She stated that the previous two Blue Bridge Festivals have helped to put Georgina 'on the map' and be recognized, noting that partnerships with other cultural organizations are needed in order to make it successful. She stated that Council should embrace the festival, attend it and support it financially.

Brenda Muller, Artistic Director for the festival, stated that she purchased an 'Active' magazine in which there is an advertisement for Georgina including the JK Jazz Festival and the Blue Bridge Festival.

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

Mr. Nick Mochanuc stated that he owns a successful international business in Georgina and is a former BBC Radio performer. He emigrated from England in the mid 1980's and lives and works between Brock and Georgina. He stated that he has visitors from other countries that train with his business and staff that travel. He indicated that Georgina's Arts and Culture, theatre and music, amaze his visitors, noting that he ran a nightclub in England for four years and the art and entertainment in Ontario equals that in London. He stated that he believes the community should support arts and culture in our community and more of it is needed. His company has invested thousands to the local arts and believes the Town should be willing to make this sacrifice too.

Brenda Muller stated that she moved to Georgina twenty six years ago and as a classical performer, has played at numerous venues. She stated that this community was willing to listen to classical music. She set up a jazz and classical music event at the Jackson's Point Parkette a few years ago, provided the Town a piano that is located at the Stephen Leacock Theatre and played at the grand opening of the Georgina Ice Palace and she would appreciate some recognition when the Town is considering this request, recognition of the Ardeleana Chamber Music Society. She stated that she has organized fundraising events, and contributed time and effort and money into the Town over the years on behalf of the arts. She advised that she feels insulted when she reads comments in the local newspaper about how the arts do nothing but take from this Town, because the artists have given the Town so much over the years.

Ms. Muller indicated that she is concerned with putting this funding request into the hands of the Economic Development Committee because the arts has more to do with heritage, culture and community than commerce. She advised that the festival's revenue increased by 50% last year and is a registered charity. Chamber music brings sophistication to the Town.

Jamal Harvey, student, was a participant in the festival's poetry on the street event. He explained that he had a lack of inspiration in his life last year and vented this lack of inspiration through disruptive acts, but he then heard about the Blue Bridge Festival and went to check it out. He stated that it was an amazing experience with a positive atmosphere, which helped him to direct his energy in a positive way rather than in a disruptive way. He believes that there is not enough art and culture in communities these days and would recommend this festival to anyone.

Brenda Muller mentioned that Magoo and Ed Winnacott are also in the audience.

Ms. Muller stated that the festival would like support from the Town. They would like to see established a policy for making donations in kind to art-based community initiatives such as the Eaglewood Folk Festival, the Blue Bridge Festival, Queensville Players, JK Jazz Festival and Lakeside Community Concerts. They would like the Town to waive the rental fee for the De La Salle Hall on the Friday night, and provide free parking also, for

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

one hour. They would like permission to hang a banner across High Street and provide the means to do so. They would like to open the Highway 48 kiosk on Victoria Day weekend and on weekends of festival events and have volunteers or town staff man it and disseminate brochures on behalf of these festivals to visitors. They would like all festivals to be advertised in Town ads and for the Town to appoint a liaison person to work with festival management personnel to facilitate access to keys for facilities, coordinate timing of publications, and booking of venues between departments and to obtain various permits. They would like the Town to provide free advertising and listings on its tourism website for which they currently charge \$30 per listing. They would also like Council to appoint a Councillor to attend all major festival events as Town Ambassador.

Ms. Muller suggested that because the festival is mandated by law to be a cultural organization, that a motion be passed indicating that festival financing be referred to budget deliberations and that funding be set aside for all festival groups annually as decided by Council. She noted that they are requesting in-kind support.

A gentleman from the audience stated that every year this festival attracts more visitors and more performers from across Ontario. He stated that he used to live in Guelph forty years ago and its festival has grown so that Guelph now has its own orchestra and conductor and the festival runs all summer. He stated that the Blue Bridge Festival has huge potential and he hopes Council will grant their support.

It was noted that the original request for festival support was for \$10,000 at the Economic Development Committee level.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0037**

THAT THE DEPUTATIONS MADE BY LINDA CONDY, BRENDA MULLER, JAMAL HARVEY AND NICK MOCHANUC SUPPORTING THE BLUE BRIDGE FESTIVAL BE RECEIVED AND THAT ALL OF THE SUGGESTIONS BE REFERRED TO THE 2009 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS TO BE HELD ON MARCH 4, 2009 FOR CONSIDERATION.

Carried.....

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

17.2 Report from the Planning and Building Department:

- 17.2.1 Extension to Draft Plan Approval  
Daycornet Keswick Inc. (Al Berg)  
Part of Lot 14, Concession 3 (NG)  
AGENT: Michael Smith Planning Consultants

Report No. PB-2009-0015

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0038**

- A. THAT REPORT PB-2009-0015 BE RECEIVED AS INFORMATION.
- B. THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 51(33) OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O., 1990, AN EXTENSION TO THE APPROVAL OF DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 19T-95070 BE GRANTED TO AUGUST 31, 2012.
- C. THAT THE UPDATED CONDITIONS OF DRAFT PLAN APPROVAL ATTACHED AS SCHEDULE '4' BE APPROVED AND THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 51(44) OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O., 1990, THE LAPSING PROVISION CONTAINED IN THE CONDITIONS OF DRAFT PLAN APPROVAL READ AS FOLLOWS "PURSUANT TO THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O., 1990, AS AMENDED, APPROVAL OF THIS PLAN OF SUBDIVISION SHALL LAPSE IF FINAL APPROVAL FOR REGISTRATION HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN BY AUGUST 31, 2012, UNLESS APPROVAL HAS BEEN SOONER WITHDRAWN OR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA HAS EXTENDED THE DURATION OF THE APPROVAL."

Carried.....

14. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

None.

15. COMMUNICATIONS:

15.2 Matters for Disposition:

- 15.2.1 Steve Clementson, 1<sup>st</sup> Pefferlaw Scouting, inviting a Council representative to attend its annual Appreciation Banquet on February 28, 2009.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0039**

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM STEVE CLEMENTSON, 1<sup>ST</sup> PEFFERLAW SCOUTING, INVITING A COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND ITS ANNUAL APPRECIATION BANQUET ON FEBRUARY 28, 2009, BE RECEIVED AND THAT THE GROUP BE ADVISED THAT COUNCILLOR HACKENBROOK WILL ENDEAVOUR TO ATTEND.

Carried.....

- 15.2.2 Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation requesting sponsorship of \$500.00 to cover the registration cost for four disadvantaged families in Georgina to attend their workshop.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0040**

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE CANADIAN PSYCHIATRIC RESEARCH FOUNDATION REQUESTING SPONSORSHIP OF \$500.00 TO COVER THE REGISTRATION COST FOR FOUR DISADVANTAGED FAMILIES IN GEORGINA TO ATTEND THEIR WORKSHOP BE RECEIVED WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT FUNDS ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR REQUESTS SUCH AS THIS.

Carried.....



15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

- 15.2.3 County of Prince Edward requesting support of its position concerning research to consider the impact of wind farm development.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0041**

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD REQUESTING SUPPORT OF ITS POSITION CONCERNING RESEARCH TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT, BE RECEIVED.

Carried.....

- 15.2.4 Kevin C. Christenson, City Clerk, City of Hamilton, requesting support of its position concerning Bill 138, Protection of Public Participation Act, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0042**

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM KEVIN C. CHRISTENSON, CITY CLERK, CITY OF HAMILTON, REQUESTING SUPPORT OF ITS POSITION CONCERNING BILL 138, PROTECTION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ACT, 2008, BE RECEIVED AND REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR DISCUSSION WITH OTHER MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE REGION, AND FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL IF IT IS FELT THAT THERE IS A POSITION THAT GEORGINA SHOULD TAKE.

Carried.....

- 15.2.5 Martin de Rond, Town Clerk, Town of Ajax, requesting the government to amend the Municipal Elections Act 1996 to provide all municipalities the authority to prohibit corporate and trade union contributions to Municipal Election Campaigns

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

**RESOLUTION NO. CW-2009-0043**

THAT CORRESPONDENCE FROM MARTIN DE ROND, TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF AJAX, REQUESTING THE GOVERNMENT TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS ACT 1996 TO PROVIDE ALL MUNICIPALITIES THE AUTHORITY TO PROHIBIT CORPORATE AND TRADE UNION CONTRIBUTIONS TO MUNICIPAL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS, 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:

None.

23. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

That the meeting adjourn at this time (10:15 a.m.)

Carried.....