

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Monday, April 19, 2010
(9:08 a.m.)

**@ Keswick Library Annex

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	Regional Councillor Wheeler
Councillor Jordan Clark (arrived at 9:09 a.m.)	
Councillor Jamieson	Councillor Hackenbrook
Councillor Smockum	

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

3.1 Mayor Grossi, on behalf of the Alzheimer Society of York Region, to present a Certificate of Appreciation to Councillor Ken Hackenbrook as the Top Fundraiser for the 2010 Manulife Walk for Memories.

Mayor Grossi presented Councillor Hackenbrook with the certificate at this time.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS AND DEPUTATIONS:

None.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0073

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

Carried.....

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None.

7. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Regional Councillor Wheeler

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0074

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 6, 2010, 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, Brad Clayden, Sutton District High School, requesting an exemption from the noise by-law during its annual Relay For Life overnight event from 7:00 p.m. June 4th to 7:00 a.m. June 5th.
- 9.2 Item No. 11.2, Sylvia Tremblett, Georgina Minor Hockey, requesting assistance with the cash flow payment of ice time.
- 9.3 Item No. 12.1, Steve Kemp, Director, Traffic management Transportation Services, Region of York, concerning the Region's proposed speed limit policy.

9. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION cont'd:

- 9.4 Item No. 15.2, various matters for disposition
- 9.5 Item No. 17.1.1, Report No. DES-2010-0001 entitled 'Fire Protection Services Agreement – Township of Brock'
- 9.6 Item No. 17.2.2, Report No. EPW-2010-0017 entitled '2010/2011 Aquatic Weed Harvesting Program'
- 9.7 Item No. 17.2.3, Report No. EPW-2010-0018 entitled 'Policy Update, Speed Limits on Regional Roads'

10. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

10.1 Matters not subject to individual conflicts

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

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-2010-0075

THAT THE ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE BE RECEIVED.

Reports:

- 17.2.1 Award of Tender – EPW2010-007
Dust Control Solutions
Various Roads within the Town of Georgina

Report No. EPW-2010-0015

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0076

- 1. THAT REPORT NO. EPW-2010-0015 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.
- 2. THAT THE BID RECEIVED FROM POLLARD HIGHWAY PRODUCTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,825 FOR DUST CONTROL ON VARIOUS ROADS WITHIN THE TOWN OF GEORGINA IS ACCEPTED AND THAT A BY-LAW BE PASSED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN POLLARD HIGHWAY PRODUCTS AND THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA.

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

17.2.4 Project Management – Replacement of Culverts
Pollock Road and Glenwoods Avenue
Consulting Services

Report No. EPW-2010-0019

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0077

1. THAT REPORT NO. EPW-2010-0019 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.
2. THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THE PURCHASING BY-LAW ARE WAIVED AND THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO AMEC EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH REGARD TO CULVERT REPLACEMENT WORKS.

Carried.....

10.2 Matters subject to individual conflicts

None.

11. DEPUTATIONS:

11.1 Brad Clayden, Sutton District High School Guidance Department, requesting an exemption from the noise by-law during its annual Relay For Life overnight event being held at the school from 7:00 p.m. on June 4th to 7:00 a.m. on June 5th due to music being played through the night.

Mr. Clayden stated that the event will be held on the main playing field and has been held successfully for the last several years as a fundraiser for the Canadian Cancer Society. He mentioned that the school informs neighbouring property owners of the pending event.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0078

THAT COUNCIL GRANT AN EXEMPTION FROM THE NOISE BY-LAW, NO. 2003-0075 (PWE-1) FOR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED DURING SUTTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL'S ANNUAL 'RELAY FOR LIFE' EVENT TO BE HELD FROM 7:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, JUNE 4TH TO 7:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 5TH ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS, THAT THE

11. DEPUTATIONS cont'd:

LOCAL POLICE STATION BE ADVISED OF THE EVENT AND THAT IT BE ADVERTISED ACCORDINGLY.

Carried.....

11.2 Sylvia Tremblett, Georgina Minor Hockey, requesting assistance with the cash flow payment of ice time.

Ms. Tremblett stated that she is currently the President of the Georgina Minor Hockey Association and also in attendance is Leslie Manahan, the Treasurer. She stated that she is before Council today to request assistance for some expenses that the Association will be incurring in this upcoming season. She explained that the season starts at the beginning of May and ends at the end of April the following year. The Hockey Association currently has funds in the bank, but they still have ice time to pay for the month of March and for a portion of April. She requested a loan of approximately \$400,000 which could be repaid to the Town by the end of September of the same year.

Ms. Tremblett explained that these funds would be in the form of a loan. The Hockey Association had gone to the bank for assistance, but banks do not loan to non-profit organizations and there is only a small window of time to obtain these funds. The funds would be secured against their registration fees which begin in May. Registration is on-line and people pay by credit card or by cheque. There are consistently approximately 1,034 members of the Hockey Association and because of Team Canada winning the gold in Olympics hockey, they have had a number of inquiries for the upcoming season.

Ms. Rebecca Mathewson, Treasurer, stated that Towns providing loans to local associations is not mentioned in the Municipal Act, but some municipalities enter into short-term loans for local non-profit organizations. She advised that there would be no security on the funds, the Town would be placing its faith in the community and in the association.

Ms. Tremblett stated that the Hockey Association encourages people to register on-line and if necessary, she can provide the Town with the number of registrants every day. She also indicated that the Association can begin making payments to the Town in June. She explained that the Association had a \$75,000 debt to the Town several years ago, they met with staff to reach an agreement to pay off the debt in four years, but it took them only two years to pay it off.

Faye Richardson, Director of Leisure Services Department, indicated that the Hockey Association owes \$50,000 for March ice time as well as approximately \$17,000 for April ice time.

11. DEPUTATIONS cont'd:

Ms. Tremblett explained that the Hockey Association currently has \$170,000 in the bank to pay outstanding ice time. She explained that the extra funds being requested are to cover start-up costs, one of larger costs of which is the purchase of jerseys and crestring. The \$400,000 is to pay the ice time in advance to avoid the HST tax. As the Hockey Association receives the money from registrants, it will pay the loan back to the Town. She explained that the HST is 8%, totaling approximately \$32,000. If the ice time is paid before May 1st, the Hockey Association would not have to pay the tax. The loan will allow them to refrain from passing this tax increase onto the registrants through fees, and it will be a one-time request.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Hackenbrook

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0079

THAT THE TOWN ADVANCE AN AMOUNT OF \$400,000 TO THE GEORGINA MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION, IN PRINCIPLE, AND THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION MEET WITH TOWN STAFF TO MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPAYMENT OF THE LOAN.

Carried.....

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

17.1 Reports from the Director of Emergency Services:

17.1.1 Fire Protection Services Agreement – Township of Brock

Report No. DES-2010-0001

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0080

1. THAT REPORT NO. DES-2010-0001 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION; AND
2. THAT A BY-LAW BE PASSED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK AND THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA.

Carried.....

Item Nos. 12.1 and 17.2.3 were heard in conjunction with one another at this time.

12. PRESENTATIONS:

12.1 Steve Kemp, Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services, Region of York, concerning the Region's proposed speed limit policy.

17.2 Reports from the Engineering and Public Works Department:

17.2.3 Policy Update
Speed Limits on Regional Roads

Report No. EPW-2010-0018

Mr. Kemp stated that he will explain to Council why the Region needs a new speed limit policy and he will explain the science of speed along with the recommended policy.

Mr. Kemp was given direction by Regional Council to visit local municipalities to obtain input and feedback from both staff and from Council on the proposed speed limit policy and implementation plan. He explained that there is a lot of inconsistency on Regional Roads; there are quite a lot of short sections of roads with lower speed limits, there are a lot of different speed limit changes along any given route and it is difficult for police to enforce. The Region would like to ensure similar roads in different parts of the Region have similar speed limits. An urban section of road in Richmond Hill should have the same speed limit as an urban section of road in Georgina. In addition, a lot of the current limits were established quite a few years ago when the Region looked quite different. Since that time, there has been a lot of urbanization and there are Regional roads going through urban centres that have speed limits that are too high. Some areas used to be rural areas without the amount of cyclists, pedestrians or sidewalks that they have now, and this results in speed limit reductions being necessary for safety reasons. He noted that the policy is outdated.

Mr. Kemp stated that they must consider a lot of issues for speed recommendations such as mobility, emissions, noise, crashes and impacts, the needs of residents and the needs of commuters and all of these issues need to be balanced. He explained that statistics show at least 17% of fatal crashes are attributed to speed. Vehicle design has improved so that if an accident occurs, the chances of surviving are higher than ten years ago, but pedestrians and cyclists do not have that same protection. Statistics indicate that the number of fatalities has remained the same over the years, but the percentage of pedestrian and cyclist fatalities has increased.

Mr. Kemp explained that the faster one drives a vehicle, the less control one has over the vehicle, it takes longer to stop, it takes longer to process information and one is more likely to suffer injury when an accident occurs. He ran a short video to illustrate how a

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

minor difference in travelling speed makes a large difference in the end result of a collision. He stated that the stopping distance increases substantially, the faster you are driving. The Region measures the average speed on a road and sets the limit according to the speed people feel comfortable driving on that particular road.

Mr. Kemp stated that a new policy will reduce speed limits in urban areas. The basic speed of 60 km/h will be adjusted downward where there is heavy pedestrian and cyclist activity. The Region would also consider increasing the limit on a controlled access facility such as a highway with no driveway access. In rural areas, the basic speed would be 80 km/h adjusted depending on traffic and roadway conditions. Speeds would be reduced for hills, sharp curves or poor road conditions. The school zone policy will not change with a 40 km/h reduced limit with flashers set, and transition areas from rural to urban would be 70 km/h. In summary the proposed policy would see urban areas and hamlets with a 60 km/h limit, urban and rural edge roads with a 70 km/h limit and rural roads following the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) guidelines of 80 km/hr.

Mr. Kemp stated that the main areas within Georgina would include downtown Keswick, Sutton and Pepperlaw where there are a lot of people out walking and shopping.

Mr. Kemp explained that the implementation plan is to proactively identify developed urban areas where the posted speed limit is greater than 60 km/h and implement changes. Existing speed limits that are lower under the new policy would not be automatically increased, requests from the public or council to review speed limits on specific road sections will be assessed using the new policy, and no changes are to be made to existing school zone policy.

Mr. Kemp explained that there are five Regional roads within Georgina that are proposed for reductions in speed limit, noting that Park Road has already been reduced. Impacts of the proposed policy would be realized in Georgina once it has become more urbanized. He explained that the reduction of speed limits needs to occur when the right amount of urbanization occurs. Otherwise, speed limits will be too low and there will be low compliance. He stated that Town of Georgina staff has supported the proposed changes and the Region is requesting comments, input and even endorsement from Town Council at this meeting.

Mr. Bob Magloughlen, Director of Engineering and Public Works, advised that when Glenwoods Avenue was under the Town's jurisdiction, the speed limit was set at 50 km/h and the Town had installed the flashing beacons to reduce the speed to 40 km/h during certain times of the day in relation to the public school. When the Region assumed the road, the beacons remained and the speed was set at 50 km/h with the beacons activated. He suggested that if the speed was changed to 60 km/h, that the speed remain at 50 km/h when the beacons are activated.

12. PRESENTATIONS cont'd:

Mr. Kemp stated that the school policy with regard to speed limits will be reviewed on Glenwoods Avenue, noting that it is usually reduced to 40 km/h. He advised that the Region will also review the 50 km/h speed limit on The Queensway just north of Queensville to determine if this speed limit needs to be altered.

It was suggested that the Town post a 'Park Road' sign alongside the 'Regional Road 18' sign for Park Road to assist motorists looking for Park Road when traveling to Sibbald Point Provincial Park.

Moved by Councillor Smockum

Seconded by Councillor Jordan Clark

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0081

1. THAT REPORT NO. EPW-2010-0018 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.
2. THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED POLICY UPDATE BY THE REGION OF YORK REGARDING SPEED LIMITS ON REGIONAL ROADS WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS PENDING REVIEW; GLENWOODS AVENUE (Y.R. 33) AND OLD HOMESTEAD ROAD (Y.R. 79)

Carried.....

17.2 Reports from the Engineering and Public Works Department:

17.2.2 2010/2011 Aquatic Weed Harvesting Program

Report No. EPW-2010-0017

It was noted that in Recommendation No. 2 below, the word 'transponder' should read 'transporter'.

Moved by Councillor Jamieson

Seconded by Councillor Jordan Clark

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0082

1. THAT REPORT NO. EPW-2010-0017 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

17. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS cont'd:

2. THAT BASED ON THE REVIEW OF THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED, THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH INLAND AQUATICS COMMENCING MID AUGUST, 2010 FOR THE COLLECTION OF FLOATING WEEDS AT A DAILY RATE OF \$3,893 PLUS HST FOR THE HARVESTER, SHORELINE CONVEYOR AND AN ADDITIONAL COST OF \$6,778 PER DAY FOR THE TRANSPORTER IF DEEMED REQUIRED.
3. THAT SUCH CONTRACT BE AWARDED FOR ONE PRELIMINARY SWEEP, TO COVER THE EAST SHORE OF COOK BAY FROM RAYNERS ROAD, SOUTH TO AND INCLUDING THE CANALS.
4. THAT IN 2010, PROVIDED THAT BUDGET IS NOT EXCEEDED, INLAND AQUATICS BE DIRECTED TO DO A SWEEP WITH THE HARVESTER OF THE MASKINONGE RIVER UP TO THE WOODBINE/QUEENSWAY BRIDGE.
5. THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THIS SAME FIRM FOR THE PLACING OF FORTY (40) CU. YD ROLL OFF BOXES AND THE DISPOSAL OF ACCUMULATED WEEDS AT A COST OF \$345 PER FORTY (40) CU. YD ROLL OFF BOX LIFT.
6. THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR 2011 WITH A 2% PRICE INCREASE, PENDING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF 2010 WORKS.
7. THAT THE PURCHASING AGENT BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE THE REQUIRED PURCHASE ORDERS TO EFFECT SUCH AUTHORIZATIONS.

Carried.....

The Chief Administrative Officer was requested, with regard to Recommendation No. 6 of the above-noted resolution, to ensure that Council can commit the next term's Council to an extension of a second year for the Aquatic Weed Harvesting Program.

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

14. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

None.

15. COMMUNICATIONS:

15.2 Matters for Disposition:

- 15.2.1 John Gooderham, Parade Chairman, The Royal Canadian Legion, Sutton Branch, requesting permission to hold the annual D-Day Parade and Service on Sunday, June 6, 2010.

Moved by Councillor Hackenbrook

Seconded by Regional Councillor Wheeler

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0083

TOWN COUNCIL GRANT PERMISSION TO THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, SUTTON BRANCH, TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL D-DAY PARADE AND SERVICE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2010, THAT THE REGION BE REQUESTED TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE THE APPROPRIATE PORTION OF PARK ROAD DURING THIS EVENT AND THAT THE LOCAL EMERGENCY SERVICES BE ADVISED OF THE EVENT.

Carried.....

- 15.2.2 Susan Dobson, Public Education Outreach Worker, Women's Support Network of York Region, requesting Council proclaim the month of May as 'Sexual Assault Prevention Month' and to consider a monetary donation.

Moved by Councillor Jordan Clark

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0084

THAT COUNCIL PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY AS 'SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION MONTH' THROUGHOUT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA TO HELP RAISE AND INCREASE AWARENESS OF THE ISSUE OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN THE HOPE OF FOSTERING CHANGE IN THE BEHAVIOUR OF SOCIETY.

Carried.....

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

- 15.2.3 The Association of Municipalities of Ontario concerning 'The Case for Joint and Several Liability Reform in Ontario' for consideration.

Moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler

Seconded by Councillor Jamieson

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0085

THAT TOWN COUNCIL ENDORSE THE POSITION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO) SEEKING JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY REFORM AND ADVISE MATTHEW WILSON, SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR FOR AMO ACCORDINGLY, WHO WILL IN TURN INFORM THE PROVINCE.

Carried.....

- 15.2.4 Frank Markel, President and CEO, Trillium Gift of Life Network, requesting Council proclaim the week of April 18-25, 2010 'National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week' and fly the flag during this week.

Moved by Councillor Jordan Clark

Seconded by Councillor Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. CW-2010-0086

WHEREAS A LIFE SAVING ORGAN OR TISSUE DONATION CAN PROVIDE THOUSANDS OF MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN ON WAITING LISTS WITH A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE;

AND WHEREAS OUR SOCIETY UNFORTUNATELY LACKS WIDESPREAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE REAL NEED FOR ORGAN DONATIONS AND THE LIST OF ONTARIANS IN NEED OF TRANSPLANTS GROWS ANNUALLY;

AND WHEREAS THE TIRELESS EFFORTS OF THE TRILLIUM GIFT OF LIFE NETWORK MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS AND INDIVIDUAL DONORS AND THEIR FAMILIES CAN AND DO SAVE MANY LIVES EACH YEAR;

AND WHEREAS EDUCATION AND INCREASED PUBLIC AWARENESS ENABLE ONTARIANS TO MAKE THE IMPORTANT, INFORMED DECISION TO DONATE THEIR ORGANS AND/OR TISSUES AND HELP GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE;

15. COMMUNICATIONS cont'd:

THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA HEREBY PROCLAIMS THE WEEK OF APRIL 18 – 25, 2010, AS ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR AWARENESS WEEK THROUGHOUT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA AND ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS TO REGISTER THEIR CONSENT TO DONATE THEIR ORGANS AND/OR TISSUES AND HELP SAVE LIVES;

AND THAT THE GIFT OF LIFE FLAG BE FLOWN DURING THIS WEEK, THAT THE PROCLAMATION BE ADVERTISED ON THE TOWN PAGE AND ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE, AND THE CORRESPONDENCE BE REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR DISCUSSION WITH STAFF CONCERNING HOSTING A REGISTRATION DRIVE.

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 Regional Councillor Wheeler

Seconded by Councillor Jordan Clark

That the meeting adjourn at this time (10:57 a.m.)

Carried.....