

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

## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **Continuation of 2016 Budget Review and Deliberations**

Tuesday, November 24, 2015  
9:04 AM

The Special Council Budget Meeting resumed at 9:04 a.m.

#### Staff:

Winanne Grant, Chief Administrative Office  
Rebecca Mathewson, Director of Administrative Services and Treasurer  
Harold Lenters, Director of Planning and Building  
Robin McDougall, Director of Recreation and Culture  
Dan Pisani, Director of Operations and Engineering  
Ron Jenkins, Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief  
Mary Baxter, Director of Library Services/CEO  
Phil Rose-Donahoe, Manager of Cultural Services  
Darlene Carson-Hildebrand, Manager of Finance and Deputy Treasurer  
Karyn Stone, Economic Development Officer  
Dan Murnaghan, Manager Parks & Facilities  
Ken McAlpine, Landscape Architect Planner  
Rob Wheeler, Budget Accountant  
Tricia Quinlan, Human Resources Manager  
Tanya Thompson, Communications Manager  
Michael Rozario, Deputy Fire Chief  
Danny Hie, Forestry, Horticulture & Infrastructure Supervisor  
Patricia Nash, Deputy Clerk  
John Espinosa, Town Clerk  
Carolyn Lance, Council Services Coordinator

#### Others:

Karen Wolfe, The Georgina Post  
Heidi Reidner, The Advocate  
Joanne Henderson  
David Geene, Georgina Trades & Training Inc. (GTTI)  
Doris Kepler, Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery (GACG)  
Jim Beechey, Georgina Chamber of Commerce

12. REPORTS

- (1) ADOPTION OF REPORTS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION
- (2) REPORTS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Report from the Administrative Services Department:

- (A) 2016 Draft Budget - Continuation

**TAB 4**

**PARKS & FACILITIES – THE LINK**

- LNK-1 Renovations to Classroom 6 - \$115,000 – SEPARATE for November 24<sup>th</sup> discussion
- LNK-2 Minor Capital - \$8,500 – REMOVE \$2,500 for Exterior Signage for 2016, retain \$3,000 Indoor/Outdoor Receptacles and retain \$3,000 Mop Sink with Plumbing = \$6,000 - CONSENT
  
- LNK-1 \$115,000 – Renovations to Classroom 6 – CONSENT

**PARKS & FACILITIES – PARKS**

- PRK-1 Harbour Dock and Repairs, \$18,000 - CONSENT
- PRK-2 Minor Capital - Waterfront Parks, \$35,500 - CONSENT
- PRK-3 Solar LED Park Lighting, \$52,600 – add lighting in Vista Park for a total of four parks; Bayview, Sutton Skate, Whipper Watson and Vista, at a cost of \$17,533 each, subject to how the same type of lighting is performing at the Stephen Leacock Theatre – increase to \$69,600 - CONSENT
- PRK-4 Lakeside Park Renovation, \$32,000 - CONSENT
- PRK-5 Playground Replacement at Vista Park, \$52,000 – CONSENT

•staff was requested to investigate if fencing is required

- PRK-6 Tree Inventory, \$20,210 - CONSENT

•staff was requested to determine the best way to dispose of the municipal asset, namely the trees that are being cut down; chipping for trails, milling, firewood, stumps for dog park, etc

•staff was requested to assess the riverbank behind The Link property for ash trees

- PRK-7 EAB Removal and Stumping, \$180,000 – CONSENT
- PRK-8 Tree Planting, \$100,000 – CONSENT

- Staff was requested to look into funding assistance from the Federal Government
- Staff was requested to draft and send correspondence to the Federal Government requesting assistance respecting the challenges in this area with regard to the size of the municipality and the huge number of trees that need to be dealt with

PRK-9 Continuation of In-Ground Garbage Containers, \$12,000 - CONSENT

PRK-10 Woodbine Island, Bollard and Boulevard Repair, \$22,000-CONSENT

PRK-11 Car/Pick-Up Truck for Operations Technologist, \$10,000 – CONSENT

## **PARKS & FACILITIES – THE ROC**

ROC-1 Minor Capital, \$12,500 - CONSENT

ROC-2 Accessible Parking upgrades, \$10,000 - CONSENT

ROC-3 Blinds, \$35,000 - CONSENT

## **PARKS & FACILITIES – PARKS**

Councillor Sebo

Pg. 74 “Waterfront - Federal Wharves” – the title ‘Federal Wharves’ should be changed as any wharves the Town assumed from the Federal Government (Island Grove, Young’s Harbour, Roches Point) are no longer Federal

Councillor Harding

Pg. 74 “Parks- Holmes Point” – washroom facilities needed

•staff advised that washroom facilities were decommissioned a few years ago but staff is investigating alternatives that are less costly, looking at putting proposal together for it and other facilities, better than portable washrooms.

Councillor Fellini

Pg.68 Item No. 1-1-1532000-0779 “Catering” – suggested \$47,000 be increased to \$50,000

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

That the meeting recess at 10:52 a.m.

**Carried.**

The meeting reconvened at 11:07 a.m.

**TAB 9**

**PLANNING & BUILDING**

**Economic Development**

Item No. 1-2-5535000-3908 "Georgina Chamber of Commerce" - \$91,600

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**TAB 14**

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

*Georgina Chamber of Commerce - \$98,080*

**Jim Beechey** respecting the Home and Lifestyle Show advised that the Chamber is contemplating raising the exhibitor rental rates and plans to expand the show to get a larger audience base and requires more funding for tourism initiatives.

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0802**

That a grant in the amount of \$91,600 be provided to the Georgina Chamber of Commerce for the 2016 budget year.

**Carried**

*Georgina Trades Training Inc (GTTI), \$30,000*

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0803**

That the Rules of Procedure be waived to permit David Geene of the GTTI to address Council.

**Carried.**

**David Geene** advised that the GTTI broke even at \$1,800 through the Craft Show at The Link. The annual golf tournament had an overall revenue of \$20,000 less expenses, clearing \$1,800, Western Night raised \$1,400. These events serve to raise awareness of the existence of the GTTI and the benefits it produces.

GTTI, \$30,000 GTTI – CONSENT

*Ontario Water Centre Splash Festival, \$20,000*

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0804**

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

**Carried**

**Colin Dobell** advised that partners are needed. The York Region Festival Alliance encompasses many municipalities with a strategy to assist the Region in conducting and promoting festivals.

**Winanne Grant** advised that she believes that in 2013, Council granted \$20,000 to the Splash Festival, in 2014, Council granted \$40,000 to the Splash Festival, and in 2015, Council granted \$20,000 to the Splash Festival and added a \$20,000 line item to the budget document as an Economic Development Initiative.

**Karyn Stone** advised that Splash intends to focus its efforts on the Clearwater Farm Project on the Reed Farm property, rather than proceeding with the Splash Festival in 2016, as this would provide an opportunity to highlight what is occurring at the farm property and pull together water, the harvest festival, the market, as well as other festivals throughout the Town as one package. The York Region Festival Alliance is looking to market festivals across the nine municipalities to market products.

That the grant request from the Ontario Water Centre Splash Festival in the amount of \$20,000 be denied – CONSENT

**TAB 8**

**RECREATION & CULTURE**

Item No. 1-2-4524000-3925 "Grants and Donations", \$90,000 – deny additional \$60,000 for 2016 budget year

Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery, \$90,000 – CONSENT

**TAB 14**

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

*Georgina Military Museum, \$18,000*

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0805**

That the 2016 budget request from the Georgina Military Museum in the amount of \$18,000 be approved.

**Carried**

•Staff was requested to consider a partnership with the Georgina Military Museum on Town property for a new location for the Museum.

**TAB 9**

**PLANNING & BUILDING  
Economic Development & Tourism**

ECD-1 Partnership with Ontario Water Centre, \$70,000 – CONSENT

**TAB 11**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

CAO-1 Customer Services Strategy, \$70,020 – CONSENT

**CAO - Human Resources**

HMR-1 Online Applicant Tracking/Recruitment Solution, \$10,000 - CONSENT

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Davison

That the meeting recess at 12:32 p.m.

**Carried.**

The meeting reconvened at 1:32 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Regional Councillor Wheeler

That the meeting continue past the four-hour maximum time limit.

**Carried.**

**Winanne Grant** advised, in response to a request by Council, that the following funding was provided to the Splash Festival;

- \$40,000 provided in 2013 through the Economic Development Grant Program; \$20,000 in the spring and \$20,000 in the fall of 2013
- \$40,000 provided in 2014; it was pulled out of the grant process and moved to be a line item in the Economic Development Account. One \$20,000 cheque was issued in April of 2014 and the other \$20,000 cheque was issued on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

## **TAB 10**

### **PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

- LIB-1 Website Redevelopment, \$40,000 - CONSENT
- LIB-2 Strategic Plan 2016-2020, \$5,000 - CONSENT
- LIB-3 Minor Capital, \$9,360 – CONSENT
- LIB-4 IT - Annual Computer Replacement, \$18,200 - CONSENT

Moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

### **RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0806**

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

**Carried.**

**Colin Dobell** suggested that support for maintenance be provided in exchange for improved access to the lake.

## **TAB 15**

### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND INPUT**

Pages 21 & 22, Colin Dobell, Ontario Water Centre, \$3,300

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0807**

That Town Council support an initiative to reinstate the 'Alliance for a Better Georgina' to partner with beach associations that are not using their shoreline property, approve a grant from the Building Community Grant Reserve in the amount of \$3,300 to cover errors and omission insurance for board members and annual accounting/audit costs for a year, that the Chief Administrative Officer determine if a staff member should be involved in the creation of Terms of Reference for such an initiative, and that staff submit a report accordingly.

**Carried.**

**TAB 7**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

**Information Technology Services**

- ITS-1 Corporate Server and Network Infrastructure Cycling, \$52,000 - CONSENT
- ITS-2 Corporate Workstation/Notebook Cycling, \$65,000 – CONSENT
- ITS-3 Corporate Software Cycling Program, \$40,000 - CONSENT
- ITS-4 Wireless Broadband Infrastructure, \$110,000 – CONSENT

**Clerks**

- CLK-1 Records Management Storage and File Equipment, \$20,000 – CONSENT
- CLK-2 Ward Review Study, \$30,000 – CONSENT, FUNDED FROM CONTINGENCY RESERVE FUND

**Rebecca Mathewson** advised that the Ward Review Study can be funded through the contingency reserve fund. It is a labour-intensive study and there is no staff time or staff capacity to dedicate to a comprehensive review and analysis. She suggested it be removed from the Tax Levy and funded from contingencies and if unwarranted at the time a report is submitted to Council, it can be reversed.

•Council requested that staff conduct a full comprehensive review in order to ensure full democratic representation.

**Finance**

- FIN-1 Postage Machine Replacement, \$10,000 - CONSENT



## **Purchasing**

PUR-1 Electronic Bidding Software, \$13,300 - CONSENT

## **TAB 8**

### **RECREATION & CULTURE**

REC-1 De La Salle/Pay & Display Machine w Coin & Credit Card, \$16,500 - CONSENT

REC-2 CIP 150 Funding – Pefferlaw Ice Pad – Roof Enclosure, \$471,230 – CONSENT

•Federal Government Grant Funding of \$315,000

REC-3 CIP 150 Funding – De La Salle DLS Park Accessibility Improvements,  
\$217,800 – CONSENT

•Federal Government Grant Funding of \$108,900

REC-5 Minor Capital – ROC, \$7,450 – CONSENT

REC-4, Minor Capital – SLT/Club 55, \$7,400 - CONSENT

REC-6, Minor Capital – The Link, \$12,400 – CONSENT

•staff was requested to find savings where it can

REC-7, The Link - Event Tables, Chairs and Carts, \$25,230 - CONSENT

## **TAB 6**

### **FIRE**

FIR-1 Replacement of Pumper 141, \$586,000 – CONSENT

FIR-2 Bunker Gear/PPE, \$36,000 – CONSENT

FIR-3 Fire Hose Replacement, \$20,000 – CONSENT

FIR-4 Specialized Rescue Equipment, \$40,000 – CONSENT

FIR-5 Replacement SCBA Cylinders, \$18,000 – CONSENT

FIR-6 Auto Extrication Equipment Replacement, \$35,000 – CONSENT

FIR-7 Portable Radios, \$28,000 - CONSENT

**TAB 5****OPERATIONS AND ENGINEERING****Water**

WAT-1 Dalton Road Water Main Replacement and some Sanitary Main Replacement, \$6,000,000 – CONSENT

**Rebecca Mathewson** advised that construction will likely not be completed until late 2016, therefore debt charges would not begin until 2017.

**Dan Pisani** advised that inconvenience will be minimized by performing both water and sewer at the same time, rather than the Region replacing the water main, and the Town then opening up the road again to replace the sewer main. There is a 40 – 50% savings through partnering with the Region of York and much less disruption and inconvenience to the residents.

**Robert Fortier** advised that portions of the sidewalk will be reconstructed and sections of the sidewalk will be replaced where hydrants are to be placed behind sidewalks. Staff is considering servicing vacant lots to eliminate the need to disrupt the road in future. He advised that the laterals to houses for sanitary are old clay tile. Staff will use cameras to see their condition to determine whether they need to be replaced.

WAT-2 Connecting the Water Main on Woodbine Avenue, \$750,000 - CONSENT

WAT-3 Car/Pick-Up Truck for Operations Technologist, \$5,000 – CONSENT

WAT-4 Development and Process Implementation, \$9,170 - CONSENT

**Sewer**

SEW-1 Lowndes Avenue Gravity Sewer, \$1,580,000 - CONSENT

SEW-2 Development and Process Implementation, \$9,170 - CONSENT

SEW-3 Car/Pick-Up Truck for Operations Technologist, \$5,000 - CONSENT

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

That the meeting recess at 3:07 p.m.

**Carried.**

The meeting reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

**TAB 2**

**CAPITAL INVESTMENT & RESERVE FUNDS**

**Reserve Funds – Obligatory**

\$951,000 is the projected year-end balance after all commitments

**Rebecca Mathewson** advised that Council has dedicated just over \$1.6 Million towards the Maskinonge Pedestrian Bridge from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve and those monies have been set aside for that purpose. Funds can be pulled from that reserve and reallocated to other capital projects if Council so desires.

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0808**

That the current roads capital budget (combined total) be increased by \$500,000 from Federal Gas Tax Funds previously allocated to the Maskinonge Pedestrian Bridge, for Surface Treatment, \$350,000, and Roads 2016 Construction Capital Plan, \$830,000.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Davison

That the Federal Gas Tax funds allocated for the Maskinonge Pedestrian Bridge project in the amount of \$1.1 Million, along with the Bridge project, be prioritized in a responsible manner.

**Motion withdrawn.**

**OPERATING BUDGET FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS**

**Councillor Sebo** suggested a moratorium be placed on the weed harvesting if this would not interfere with a current contract, if any, and there is no penalty involved

**Rebecca Mathewson** advised that the budget does include an additional of \$4,500 for the purposes of a budget for the Waterways Committee.

**Karyn Stone** advised that there are a couple of outstanding invoices to come in, there have been a number of projects that will bring the actual up for the Business Attraction and Retention line item.

**Harold Lenters** advised that an Economic Initiatives Reserve currently exists, as well as a Streetscaping Reserve and Entrance Feature Reserve.

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Regional Councillor Wheeler

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0809**

That the Operating Budget for all departments be approved.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Sebo

That the Treasurer be directed to transfer any unspent funds in the account line for Economic Initiatives for 2015 to the Reserve Fund for Economic Initiatives.

**Lost, no seconder.**

Moved by Councillor Sebo

That the 2015 Operating Budget Expenditure Account Line for Economic Initiatives be changed to a contribution to reserve funds for Economic Initiatives.

**Lost, no seconder.**

Moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0810**

That twelve (12) chairs with arms for the Egypt Hall at \$100 each equating to \$1,200, and twelve (12) new card tables at \$150 each equating to \$1,800 for the Sutton Seniors Club, to be funded from the Mayor and Council's individual projects funds.

**Carried.**

•staff was requested to submit a report to Council concerning the Belhaven Town Hall maintenance agreement and operating arrangements, including the Belhaven Town Hall Reserve Fund.

Councillor Sebo raised the issue of upgrading Mill Pond Park and Mill Pond Park Wharf.

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0811**

That the balance of the 'On The Radar' items remain on the 'On The Radar' Listing at this time.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0812**

That \$4,500 be added to the budget for the Waterways Committee, with Terms of Reference being presented to Council in the near future.

**Carried.**

13. DISPOSITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS, GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS AND COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT *None.*
  - (1) Dispositions/Proclamations *None.*
  - (2) General Information Items *None.*
  - (3) Committee of Adjustment Planning Matters
    - (a) Under Review *None.*
    - (b) Recommendations *None.*
    - (c) Decisions *None.*
14. MOTIONS/NOTICES OF MOTION *None.*
15. REGIONAL BUSINESS *None.*
16. OTHER BUSINESS *None.*
17. BY-LAWS *None.*
18. CLOSED SESSION *None.*

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Harding

That \$5,000 be set aside to form a reserve for future expenditures at the mouth of the Black River associated with dredging, wharf maintenance and repairs.

**Defeated.**

Councillor Neeson declared a pecuniary interest in the three bargaining unit positions because he is a member of CUPE Local 905; Councillor Neeson did not participate in any discussion or vote regarding these positions

Moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0813**

That Council approve the three positions of Operation Technologist, Planner Special Projects and Graphic Design Specialist.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Regional Councillor Wheeler

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2015-0814**

That Council approve the Draft 2016 Budget as amended, excluding the three bargaining unit positions of Operations Technologist, Planner Special Projects and Graphic Design Specialist.

**Carried.**

•staff was requested to add the creation of a reserve for future expenditures at the mouth of the Black River associated with dredging, wharf maintenance and repairs to the 'On The Radar' Listing for future consideration.

19. **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, Seconded by Councillor Harding

- (1) By-law No. 2015-0142 (COU-2), a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Special Council on November 23, 2015.

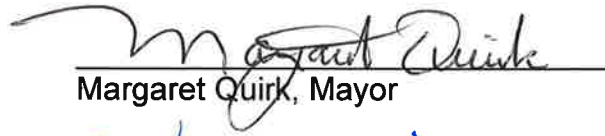
**Carried.**

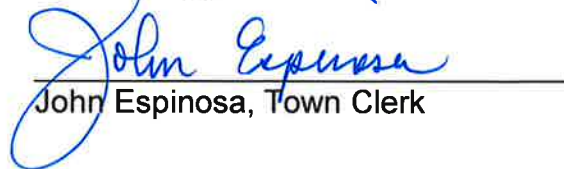
20. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the meeting adjourn at 4:35 p.m.

**Carried.**

  
Margaret Quirk, Mayor

  
John Espinosa, Town Clerk

