

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, May 31, 2017  
7:00 PM

### Staff:

Winanne Grant, Chief Administrative Officer  
Rebecca Mathewson, Director of Administrative Services and Treasurer  
Harold Lenters, Director of Development Services  
Robin McDougall, Director of Recreation and Culture  
Robert Fortier, Acting Director of Operation & Infrastructure  
Bev Moffatt, Director of Human Resources  
Mary Baxter, Director of Library Services and CEO  
Ken McApline, Landscape Architectural Planner  
Rob Wheater, Budget Accountant  
Karyn Stone, Manager of Economic Development and Tourism Development  
Taunya Thompson, Communications Manager  
Rachel Dillabough, Deputy Clerk  
Carolyn Lance, Council Services Coordinator

### 1. CALL TO ORDER - MOMENT OF MEDITATION

A moment of meditation was observed.

Members of Council recognized the passing of Joanne Kirby, spouse of Earle Kirby, and the sudden passing of Joshua Elliott.

### 2. ROLL CALL

The following Members of Council were present:

Mayor Quirk	Regional Councillor Davison
Councillor Biggerstaff	Councillor Fellini
Councillor Harding	Councillor Neeson
Councillor Sebo	

### 3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June is Recreation and Senior's Month, individuals invited to participate in the 30-day Challenge of enjoying a recreational activity every day of the month
- Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Alzheimer's Walk at The Briars

- Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, Tim Horton's Camp Day fundraiser
- Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, Georgina by the Lake House Tour, 11:00am to 4:00pm
- Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Open House at the Sutton Masonic Lodge, 68 High Street from 1:00pm to 4:00pm
- Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, PAL community event on Lowndes Avenue in Keswick, 10:00am to 4:00pm

•**Winanne Grant** advised that Fire Chief Jenkins will be awarded the Ontario Chief of the Year Award at the Gala Dinner of the Association of Ontario Municipal Fire Prevention officers Training and Education Symposium in Windsor tonight, and presented two staff videos that will be shown at this event.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S) *None*.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Biggerstaff, Seconded by Councillor Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0300**

That the May 31, 2017 agenda be approved as presented.

**Carried.**

6. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

**Councillor Biggerstaff** declared an interest in Item No. 12(2)(D), Recommendation No. 4 of Report CAO-2017-0003 because her company has the opportunity to submit a business proposal for a MURC partnership opportunity.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Fellini, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0301**

That the following sets of minutes, with the following amendments, be adopted:

- (1) Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on May 2, 2017
- (2) Minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 3, 2017  
Page 11, second bullet point, the word 'is' to be replaced with 'does' so that it reads '...wording to issue tickets if Part 3 does not work satisfactorily'
- (3) Minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 10, 2017

**Carried.**

## 8. SPEAKERS

**Mayor Quirk** inquired if anyone was in attendance who wished to speak to any item listed on the agenda.

**Joanne Henderson**, 557 Lake Drive East, Willow Beach, stated that she would like to reserve the opportunity to address Council following the verbal report of Item 12(2)(A), if her questions have not been answered.

**Forrest Jones**, 257 Woodycrest Ave, Keswick, stated that he is violently opposed to the MURC and the associated \$30 to \$40 Million costs, stating that construction of this type must be performed in a timely manner and this is not the right time for Georgina. Mr. Jones inquired which Council member is in favour of, and in opposition to, this proposal.

**A resident** advised that if Council cannot obtain the agreement and willingness of the majority of residents to an increase in their taxes, he believes Council should not move forward with the MURC project, but should study the need for it.

9. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS *None.*10. PRESENTATIONS *None.*11. PUBLIC MEETINGS *None.*

(1) STATUTORY MEETING(S) UNDER THE PLANNING ACT OR MEETINGS PERTAINING TO THE CONTINUATION OF PLANNING MATTERS *None.*

(2) STATUTORY MEETING(S) UNDER OTHER LEGISLATION *None.*

(3) OTHER PUBLIC MEETINGS *None.*

## 12. REPORTS

(1) ADOPTION OF REPORTS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

(2) REPORTS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Report from the Administrative Services Department:

(A) Verbal Report by the Director respecting the Long Range Financial Plan as it relates to West Park, Multi-Use Recreation Complex (MURC) and Strategic Accommodations Options Plan (SAOP)

**Rebecca Mathewson** provided a verbal report respecting the Long Range Financial Plan respecting West Park, the Multi-Use Recreation Complex (MURC) and the Strategic Accommodations Options Plan (SAOP) related to the Civic Centre building.

**Winanne Grant** advised that the Service Delivery Review sets out the current service level and whether or not it needs to be reduced or increased. During the last two budget processes, Council has requested that staff only bring forward items to maintain existing service levels.

Reports from the Recreation and Culture Department:

(B) West Park – Follow-up

Report No. RC-2017-0015

**Robin McDougall** provided an update on the potential improvements, renovations or total rebuild of West Park and its facilities in its current location, or reconstruction of the park in a new location. The level at which the proposed park improvements is dependent upon the willingness of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority to provide a permit. Options include a full rebuild of the park on the current site, a renovation, the replacement and repair of the park, the construction of a new park in another location or maintaining the park at its current location with temporary solutions to current issues.

**Ken McAlpine** explained the differences between the options, advising that the park is beyond its lifespan. He reviewed the options for clarification purposes, explaining the differences in the site preparation and servicing for each option.

**Robin McDougall** advised that if Council chooses to build on a new site, park land dedication is available to rebuild four baseball diamonds. This would entail the use of new parkland dedication intended for new growth, to service existing needs instead, creating the need to purchase land for new future diamonds. If the diamonds are relocated, the current site could be sold but it would be deemed as 'greenspace' and would not be developable.

**Ken McAlpine** advised that for all but the first option of a total rebuild, ongoing monthly maintenance costs would be incurred, and he feels comfortable recommending a total rebuild considering the experience between the consultants and in-house staff.

**Bruce Johnson** of Cosburn Giberson Landscape Architects, Consultant, advised that water needs to be wicked away from the site to allow the soils to breathe and

drain, which involves raising the site by 1 metre, installing cistern movement of water below grade and creating useable soil that will not move drastically in frost conditions.

Moved by Regional Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Biggerstaff

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0302**

1. That Council receive Report No. RC-2017-0015 prepared by the Recreation and Culture Department dated April 26, 2017 respecting the West Park – Follow-up.
2. That Council direct to improve/rebuild ball diamonds at West Park based on direction provided at a later time in conjunction with the 2018 budget.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Biggerstaff

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0303**

That the verbal update provided by the Director of Administrative Services and Treasurer concerning the Long Range Financial Plan for the Town of Georgina be received.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

That the Council Meeting recess at 8:50 p.m.

**Carried.**

The meeting reconvened at 9:03 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the Rules of Procedure be waived to permit Joanne Henderson to address Council at this time.

**Carried.**

**Joanne Henderson** advised that the Long Range Financial Plan report did not include the \$6 Million needed to be debentured for the Dalton Road water and sewer replacement project, nor the monies for the Link and the Reed Farm, nor the \$120,000 for the waterfront strategy, or the \$3.5 Million for the Pefferlaw Fire Hall. Ms. Henderson clarified that the Willow Beach debenture is not paid out of the tax levy, but by the users of the water and sewer system, and would like to see a chart of the long-term actual internal borrowings and the actual cost of any of the future debentures over time.

**Rebecca Mathewson** replied by stating;

- the presentation indicated that the Willow Beach servicing was funded by the benefitting property owners of that infrastructure through their water and sewer local improvements
- the \$6 Million forthcoming debt to pay for the Dalton Road water and sewer project is to be funded through the water and sewer rates; today's focus was primarily on the impact on the property tax rate, although the debt amounts have been incorporated into the long range financial plan as they affect the Town's debt capacity and annual repayment as limited by the province
- monies previously allocated for the Reed Farm on Lake Drive, the Waterfront Strategy and the Pefferlaw Fire Hall are identified in the 2017 budget
- a schedule in Tab 2 of the approved 2017 Budget document contains details on the Town's repayment schedule, borrowed from reserve funds and paid back through annual allocations into the reserves

Report from the Chief Administrative Officer

- (D) Strategic Accommodations Options Plan, Multi-Use Recreation Complex Follow-up

Report No. CAO-2017-0003

**Councillor Biggerstaff** declared an interest in Item No. 12(2)(D), Recommendation No. 4 of Report CAO-2017-0003, because her company has the opportunity to submit a business proposal for a potential MURC partnership.

**Winanne Grant** reviewed the recommendations of the report, suggesting that Recommendation 4 be removed at this time because staff cannot embark on this action until it is known whether or not the Civic Centre will be part of the MURC project.

**Mary Baxter** advised that she believes the Library Board can reach its vision of service delivery with a 10,000 square foot library, with additional shared common areas. In comparison, the Pefferlaw library is 4,500 sq. ft., the Sutton Library is 11,000 sq. ft. and the Keswick Library is 15,000 sq. ft. in size.

Staff was requested to keep in mind the potential for the Military Museum to relocate to the Civic Centre property.

It was mentioned that Council needs to move forward with site selection and be 'shovel-ready' in order to apply for funding opportunities.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0304**

1. That Council receive Report No. CAO-2017-0003 prepared by the Office of the CAO dated April 26, 2017 respecting the Strategic Accommodations Options Plan (SAOP), Multi-Use Recreation Complex (MURC) Follow Up.
2. That staff report back with recommendations re total square footage for library services to be included in the MURC.
3. That Council direct the MURC site to include 1ha for future Fire Service purposes.
4. That Council identify the 26557 Civic Centre Road campus as the preferred site for future Civic Centre accommodation.
5. That staff report back with a detailed assessment of Strategic Accommodations Options Plan (SAOP) Options 2A, 2B and 3.

**Carried.**

(C) MURC Site – Land Requirements

Report No. RC-2017-0016

**Robin McDougall** provided an update respecting the land requirements for a Multi-Use Recreational Complex (MURC) site, recommending the 8 hectare Option 4 to accommodate either a future sports field or Civic Administration building plus 2 ball diamonds and a fire hall.

Moved by Councillor Biggerstaff, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0305**

- 1 That Council receive Report No. RC-2017-0016 prepared by the Recreation and Culture Department dated April 26, 2017 respecting the MURC Site – Land Requirements.

- 2 That Council direct staff to report back on land acquisition options to accommodate Scenario #4.

**Carried unanimously.**

13. DISPOSITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS, GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS AND COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

(1) Dispositions/Proclamations

- (A) Greg Forrest, Secretary, Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton, requesting Council declare June 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Freemason's Day' to celebrate the 300<sup>th</sup> year of the existence of Freemasonry.

Moved by Councillor Fellini, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0306**

That Council proclaim Saturday, June 3, 2017, as 'Freemason's Day' throughout the Town of Georgina in recognition of the 300th Anniversary of Free and Accepted Masonry, to celebrate its existence in Canada and to assist communities to understand Freemasonry and its values as it was in the past and as it continues today – brotherly love, relief and truth.

**Carried.**

- (B) Karen Madho of the Deafblind Association of Ontario requesting Council proclaim the month of June as 'National Deafblind Awareness Month'.

Moved by Councillor Biggerstaff, Seconded by Regional Councillor Davison

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2017-0307**

That Council proclaim the month of June, 2017, as 'National DeafBlind Awareness Month' throughout the Town of Georgina to recognize that deafblindness is a unique disability that incorporates the sensory loss of both sight and hearing and to increase public awareness of this disability to expand opportunities for those who live with it.

**Carried.**

- (2) General Information Items *None.*
- (3) Committee of Adjustment Planning Matters *None.*
  - (a) Under Review
  - (b) Recommendations
  - (c) Decisions



14. MOTIONS/NOTICES OF MOTION *None.*

15. REGIONAL BUSINESS

- Development Charge Bylaw passed and will come into effect in July
- received York Regional Police Business Plan
- notice to be placed at Building Counter if an increase in development charges is implemented
- AMO is taking steps to correct issues with tax dollars collected at municipal, provincial and federal levels

16. OTHER BUSINESS

- during LSRCA meeting last week, accepted presentation on the Ecological Offsetting Program
- requested clarification respecting correspondence from Minister Mauro regarding septic systems; correspondence will be forwarded to the LSRCA and circulated to local municipalities in order to understand requirements
- positive notice received from the Planning Department concerning the selection of two senior level planners to begin June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> and interviews for the Junior Planner position taking place

17. BY-LAWS *None.*

18. CLOSED SESSION *None.*

- (1) Motion to move into closed session of Council
- (2) Motion to reconvene into open session of Council and report on matters discussed in closed session.

19. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the following by-law be approved

- (1) By-law No. 2017-0060 (COU-2), a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on May 24, 2017.

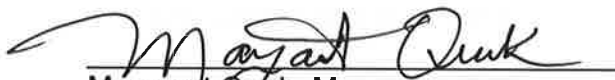
**Carried.**


20. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Biggerstaff, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the meeting adjourn at 10:28 p.m.

**Carried.**

  
Margaret Quirk, Mayor

  
Rachel Dillabough, Deputy Clerk