

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

## COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, January 9, 2019  
7:00 PM

### Staff:

David Reddon, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Harold Lenters, Director of Development Services  
Dan Buttineau, Director of Recreation & Culture  
Ron Jenkins, Director of Emergency Services and Fire Chief  
Rob Wheeler, Director of Corporate Services and Treasurer  
Bev Moffatt, Director of Human Resources  
John Armstrong, Acting Director of Operations and Infrastructure  
Ryan Cronsberry, Acting Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Karyn Stone, Manager of Economic Development and Tourism  
Phil Rose-Donahoe, Manager of Culture  
Tanya Thompson, Communications Manager  
John Espinosa, Town Clerk  
Carolyn Lance, Council Services Coordinator

A moment of meditation was observed.

Council Members recognized the passing of Major Max Bulmer of the Salvation Army Church and the Legion Chaplain, on January 1<sup>st</sup>, and Frederick Cooper, WWII Veteran of Hong Kong, on January 4<sup>th</sup> in his 100<sup>th</sup> year.

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

"We would like to begin today's meeting by acknowledging that the Town of Georgina is located over lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples and thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship."

### 2. ROLL CALL

The following Members of Council were present:

Mayor Quirk	Regional Councillor Grossi
Councillor Waddington	Councillor Fellini
Councillor Neeson	Councillor Sebo
Councillor Harding	

3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, Mayor and Council’s New Year’s Levee, 9:00am to noon at the ROC; free tubing, tobogganing, skiing and snowboarding from 10:00am to noon
- Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, Pefferlaw Library hosting a Night-time Forest Walk through the York Regional Forest Tract from 4:30pm to 6:00pm, registration required
- Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Udora Lions Club hosting a Spaghetti Dinner at the Udora Community Hall, 5:30 start
- February 25<sup>th</sup>, York-Simcoe By-Election
- Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, Cannabis Survey open until the end of the day to determine the community’s opinion on whether retail cannabis stores should be allowed to operation in Town; available online, at libraries and Club 55’s
- Council expressed gratitude to the members of staff who worked over the Christmas closure

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

Item No. 12(2)(A)      Amended Attachment ‘5’, Jericho Youth Services Evaluation  
Criteria Comments

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Waddington, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0001**

That the January 9, 2019, agenda be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

6. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF None.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Regional Councillor Grossi, Seconded by Councillor Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0002**

That the following sets of Council Minutes be adopted as presented:

- (1) Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on December 5, 2018.
- (2) Minutes of the Council Meeting held on December 12, 2018.

**Carried.**

8. **SPEAKERS**

**Sidney Giddings**, 31 Lake Drive East, Georgina Military Museum grant request of \$24,000; the Newmarket Historical Society donated a WWI bunker reproduction to the Museum which will be housed in a second portable. Both portables will need upgraded heating and air conditioning as well as heat pumps for climate control.

9. **DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS**

- (1) Danielle Koren, Routes Connecting Communities, respecting its 2019 budget request

**Danielle Loren**, on behalf of Routes Connecting Communities, requested a grant in the amount of \$55,000;

- (2) Grant Peckford, Georgina Art Centre & Gallery, requesting additional annual funding

**Grant Peckford**, Executive Director, on behalf of the Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery, requested a grant in the amount of \$120,000.

- (3) John DeFaveri, Georgina Trades Training Inc. (GTTI), requesting support of its 2019 budget request

**John DeFaveri** on behalf of Georgina Trades Training Inc. (GTTI), requested a grant in the amount of \$100,000

- (4) Susan Gorman, Jericho Youth Services, providing its 2019 Budget submission

**Susan Gorman**, Managing Director, and **Cynthia Cordova**, on behalf of Jericho Youth Services, requested a grant in the amount of 39,265.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0003**

That the delegations provided by Sidney Giddings of the Georgina Military Museum, Danielle Loren of Routes Connecting Communities, Grant Peckford of Georgina Arts Centre & Gallery, John DeFaveri, Georgina Trades Training Inc., and Susan Gorman and Cynthia Cordova of Jericho Youth Services, each requesting 2019 grants for their respective organizations, be received.

**Carried.**

*Mayor Quirk read the following statement;*

*Today Council comes together as representatives of Georgina to conduct the Town's business. We are glad to be joined by our engaged citizens, both those with us here in Council Chambers and those that join us by watching from their homes. May we use this time to hear from our residents, respond to the reports by the professional staff who inform us, and make fair and responsible decisions in the best interests of our community.*

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 Development Services Department:

(A) Evaluation of the 2019 Budget Requests from Community Organizations

Report No. DS-2019-0005

**Phil Rose-Donahoe** and **Karyn Stone** provided a brief summary of the report.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the Rules of Procedure be waived to permit Grant Peckford and Bill Major to address Council.

**Carried.**

**Grant Peckford and Bill Major;**

•Visitors to the Georgina Arts Centre & Gallery are physically counted; all visitors are encouraged to sign into the log book which typically records all visitors and where they came from.

- The Town of Georgina is the Arts Centre's primary source of revenue, while other sources include fundraising and donations

**Dave Reddon;**

- Arts Centre building is owned by the municipality
- Capital Service Agreement entered into in 2016 exempting taxes
- core services of the municipality must be provided by the organization in order to enter into such an agreement
- it has been determined that the Chamber of Commerce and the Georgina Arts Centre and Gallery provide a municipal core service
- any registered charity occupying commercial space can apply for a 40% property tax rebate as long as they have registered charity status
- ten year license agreement in place with the Arts Centre; the Centre is responsible for minor upkeep and maintenance under \$5,000, the municipality is responsible for major infrastructure expenses over \$5,000.

**Rob Wheeler;**

- approval of all current grant requests would equate to approximately a .25% increase to the draft property tax rate of 2.9% to 3.2%, and 1% added for infrastructure would increase the tax rate to 4.2%
- tax rate stabilization reserve is available for a one-time request

Moved by Councillor Waddington, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

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

**Carried**

**Sidney Giddings;**

- the vast majority of last year's grant was spent on rent, gas and hydro. He noted that the museum would willingly move to the Civic Centre grounds with an agreement that it would be able to continue to operate as it is doing currently.

**John DeFaveri;**

- one the three applications submitted by the GTTI to the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities should be accepted, out of which operational costs would be deducted
- Revenue sources from in-town charters are increasing
- Canada Revenue Agency allows the use of profits from one area to be reinvested into other areas as long as they support the primary purpose of the organization
- study conducted with South Lake Community Futures is forthcoming

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

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

**Carried**

**Susan Gorman;**

•Jericho Youth Centre provided before and after-school programming on behalf of the town in the past at the Pefferlaw Youth Centre, Sutton Youth Centre and Georgina Gym. Before and after-school programming is offered in some of the local schools but they run under different licensing than Jericho Youth Services and users pay for them.

**Dan Buttineau;**

•a staff report presented to Council in the past projected costs associated with before and after programming based on three locations at \$255,000 annually to contract Jericho Youth Services, based on the parameters of the programming, while it was estimated that the Town could provide the same services for \$130,000, but the dynamics and structure of the programming has now changed.

Moved by Regional Councillor Grossi, Seconded by Councillor Harding

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

**Carried**

**Danielle Koren;**

•Routes Connecting Communities provides service to those who cannot take public transportation due to physical or mental challenges  
•there is no other service available for low income individuals

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0004**

1. That Council receive Report No. DS-2019-0005 prepared by the Development Services Department and Recreation and Culture Department, dated January 9, 2019 respecting the evaluation of the 2019 budget requests received from community organizations.
2. That Council defer the budget requests from the following community organizations to the 2019 Budget deliberations on January 29 and 30:

Georgina Arts Centre & Gallery - \$120,000  
Georgina Chamber of Commerce - \$84,940  
Georgina Military Museum - \$24,000

Georgina Trades Training Inc. - \$100,000  
Jericho Youth Services - \$39,265  
Routes Connecting Communities - \$55,000

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0005**

That staff be requested to investigate potential partnership opportunities with Jericho Youth Services as well as development of a Service Agreement, short term and long term, and report back to 2019 budget deliberations.

**Carried.**

Moved by Regional Councillor Grossi, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0006**

That staff be requested to investigate the potential to enter into a Service Agreement with Georgina Trades Training Inc (GTTI) for tax exemption purposes, and with the Georgina Military Museum as a cultural service and in order to formalize its relationship with the municipality, and report back at the 2019 budget deliberations.

**Carried.**

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

(1) Dispositions/Proclamations

- (A) Minister Steve Clark, Minister of Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, advising of the establishment of a cross-government working group to lead the reduction of the municipal reporting burden across government, and inviting submission of thoughts on potential changes to municipal reporting.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0007**

That correspondence from Minister Steve Clark, Minister of Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, advising of the establishment of a cross-government working group to lead the reduction of the municipal reporting burden across government,

and inviting submission of thoughts on potential changes to municipal reporting be received and referred to the Deputy CAO.

**Carried.**

- (B) Carla Y. Nell, VP, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, enclosing reports that provide an executive summary of the work performed by MPAC in 2018 and a summary of the property class changes unique to your municipality.

Staff was requested to verify if all other municipalities surrounding Lake Simcoe containing residential waterfront properties exclude those residential waterfront properties from the calculations used to determine the average assessment for single family dwellings. Single family dwellings with lake access are significantly different from single family dwellings with no lake access.

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Waddington

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0008**

That correspondence from Carla Y. Nell, VP, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, enclosing reports that provide an executive summary of the work performed by MPAC in 2018 and a summary of the property class changes unique to municipalities be received.

**Carried.**

- (C) Gloria Marsh, York Region Environmental Alliance, providing its response to Bill 66, Keeping Georgina open for business without jeopardizing the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine & other environmental protections.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0009**

That correspondence from Gloria Marsh, York Region Environmental Alliance, providing its response to Bill 66, Keeping Georgina open for business without jeopardizing the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine & other environmental protections be received and deferred to the January 16<sup>th</sup> Council agenda for discussion purposes.

**Carried.**

- (D) Claire Malcolmson, Executive Director, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, requesting all municipal Councils in the Lake Simcoe Watershed to publicly commit to not use Bill 66, Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, a Bill that would remove key protective policies for our water,



farmland and green spaces in favour of expediently processing development applications which may create employment opportunities.

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0010**

That correspondence from Claire Malcolmson, Executive Director, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, requesting all municipal Councils in the Lake Simcoe Watershed to publicly commit to not use Bill 66, Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, a Bill that would remove key protective policies for our water, farmland and green spaces in favour of expediently processing development applications which may create employment opportunities be received and deferred to the January 16<sup>th</sup> Council agenda for discussion purposes.

**Carried.**

(2) General Information Items

Moved by Regional Councillor Grossi, Seconded by Councillor Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0011**

That the General Information Items for January 9, 2019, be received.

**Carried.**

(3) Committee of Adjustment Planning Matters *None.*  
(A) Under Review  
(B) Recommendations  
(C) Decisions

14. MOTIONS/NOTICES OF MOTION *None.*

15. REGIONAL BUSINESS

•Regional Councillor Grossi and Mayor Quirk advised of their appointments to several Regional committees

16. OTHER BUSINESS

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That a Closed Session Agenda be added under Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to deal with a personnel issue.

**Carried.**

17. BY-LAWS *None.*

Moved by Councillor Sebo, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

That the Council meeting recess at 9:22 p.m.

**Carried.**

The Town Clerk and Council Services Coordinator left the chambers at this time.

18. CLOSED SESSION

(1) Motion to move into closed session of Council

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the Council Meeting reconvene at 9:30 p.m. and that Council Members convene into Closed Session, pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to deal with the following matter:

**(A) PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL,  
INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL BOARD EMPLOYEES,  
SECTION 239 (2) (b), MA**

**Carried.**

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

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That Council rise from Closed Session at 11:25 p.m. and report on matters discussed in closed session.

**Carried.**

**(A) PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL,  
INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL BOARD EMPLOYEES,  
SECTION 239 (2) (b), MA**

Moved by Councillor Neeson, Seconded by Councillor Sebo

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2019-0012**

That the direction as discussed in Closed Session be acted upon.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Waddington, Seconded by Councillor Fellini

That the meeting continue past the four hour timeframe.

**Carried.**

19. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi

That the following by-law be approved:

- (1) By-law No. 2019-0001 (COU-2), a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on January 9, 2019.


**Carried.**


20. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Waddington, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

That the meeting adjourn at 11:32 p.m.

**Carried.**

  
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Margaret Quirk, Mayor

  
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John Espinosa, Town Clerk