



**GEORGINA**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF GEORGINA  
Council Minutes**

Wednesday, February 12, 2020  
9:00 AM

Members of Council Present: Mayor Margaret Quirk  
Regional Councillor Grossi  
Councillor Waddington  
Councillor Fellini  
Councillor Neeson  
Councillor Sebo  
Councillor Harding

Staff Present: David Reddon, CAO  
Harold Lenters, Director of Development Services  
Dan Buttineau, Director of Recreation & Culture  
Rob Wheeler, Director of Corporate Services, Treasurer  
Rob Flindall, Director of Operations and Infrastructure  
Ryan Cronsberry, Deputy CAO  
Ken McAlpine, Manager, Parks Development & Operations  
Shawn Nastke, Head, Corporate Service Delivery Excellence  
Dina Havkin, Manager of Finance and Deputy Treasurer  
Anne Winstanley, Supervisor, Communications  
Rachel Dillabough, Town Clerk  
Carolyn Lance, Council Services Coordinator

**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

As noted above

## 3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Walter Mackey and Rodney Beswick, Royal Canadian Legion, Sutton Branch, presenting plaques to the Town of Georgina and a member of staff in appreciation for assistance provided regarding the Keswick Cenotaph relocation.

**Walter Mackey and Rodney Beswick** of the Georgina Sutton Legion expressed their appreciation to Council for its hard work and understanding in the removal, replacement and relocation of the Keswick Cenotaph, and presented a commemorative plaque to Mayor Quirk who accepted it on behalf of the Town of Georgina. They also presented a plaque to Ken McAlpine for his hard work and direction on the project.

- Wednesday, February 12, Free Tubing Night at The ROC, sponsored by Maple Hill Baptist Church, 4:30 to 9:00pm
- Thursday, February 13, Free Tubing Night sponsored by Trevor Como, Real Estate Agent, at The ROC, 4:30 to 9:00pm
- Saturday, February 29th, PAR Spaghetti Dinner, 5:00 to 7:30pm
- Thursday, February 13, Sweetheart Swim at Sutton Leisure Pool, 6:45 to 8:15pm
- Tuesday, February 18, 7:00pm at Kin Hall, Historical Society's Annual General Meeting, Ice History in Jackson's Point
- Monday, February 17, York Pride hosting Skate with Pride, Ice Palace, 12:00 to 4:00pm on Green Pad
- Sunday, February 16, Lake Simcoe Championship Ice Fishing Derby, sponsored by Canadian Tire, fundraiser for Jumpstart Charity, Doug Gilmour to attend at 10:00am
- Friday, February 14, Queensville Players production of "That Summer", 7:30pm, Saturday, 2:00pm and 7:30pm and Sunday, 2:00pm, tickets through Stephen Leacock Theatre
- Rob Flindall introduced the new Asset Management Technical Services Manager, Nancy Fleming.
- CAO reminded Council that on Wednesday, February 19, in Council Chambers, 8:45 to 9:30am, Human Resources Department hosting a Staff Coffee/Snack Meet and Greet

## 4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

- Item No. 16(1), Draft motion, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
- Item No. 16(2), Broadband Strategy Workshop notification at the top of page 1 of the agenda coversheet to be added under 'Other Business'

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0050**

Moved By Councillor Waddington

Seconded By Councillor Neeson

That the February 12<sup>th</sup> agenda, with the following addendum items, be approved:

- Item No. 16(1), Draft motion, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
- Item No. 16(2), Broadband Strategy Workshop notification at the top of page 1 of the agenda coversheet to be added under 'Other Business'

**Carried**

**6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF** *None.*

**7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0051**

Moved By Councillor Fellini

Seconded By Councillor Waddington

That the following set(s) of Council Minutes be adopted as presented:

1. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on January 22, 2020.

**Carried**

**8. SPEAKERS**

Mayor Quirk inquired if anyone in attendance wished to speak to any reports listed on the February 5, 2020 agenda. *None.*

**9. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS**

**10. PRESENTATIONS**

**11. PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**12. REPORTS**

1. Adoption Of Reports Not Requiring Separate Discussion *None.*
  - a. Bi-Annual Traffic Control and Parking Request Work Plan Report No. OI-2020-0003

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0052**

Moved By Councillor Waddington

Seconded By Councillor Harding

1. That Council receive Report No. OI-2020-0003 prepared by the Operations & Infrastructure Department, dated February 12, 2020, regarding the Bi-annual Traffic Control and Parking Request Work Plan;
2. That By-law 2002-0046 (TR-1) – Schedule II (No Parking) be amended to remove the restriction on Cooks Bay Drive between Spring Road and Metro Road;
3. That By-law 2002-0046 (TR-1) – Schedule XXV (Stop Signs) be amended to create an all-way stop at the intersection of Beverley Drive and McMillan Drive, and an all way stop be created at the intersection of Joan Street and Bedford Road;
4. That By-law 2002-0046 (TR-1) – Schedule XXVIII (Speed Limits) be amended to reduce the speed limit of Ravencrest Road from 60 km/h to 50km/h.

**Carried**

2. Reports Requiring Separate Discussion

- b. Expiration of the Lease Agreement between the Town of Georgina and Ravencrest Farm for land located at 1614 Metro Rd N (formerly known as 481 Lake Dr E)  
Report No. DS-2020-0016

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0053**

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

1. That Council receive Report No. DS-2020-0016 prepared by the Economic Development and Tourism Division, Development Services Department dated February 12, 2020 respecting the expiration of the lease agreement between the Town of Georgina and Ravencrest Farm for land located at 1614 Metro Road North (formerly known as 481 Lake Drive East).
2. That Council not proceed with soliciting interest from the public with respect to the lease of 9 +/- acres of farmland located at 1614 Metro Road North as indicated on Attachment 2.

3. That the Ontario Water Centre be permitted to utilize a portion of the property as noted in Recommendation #2 for overflow parking for a period of 5 years, subject to obtaining approval from the Chief Administrative Officer for each use and obtaining the necessary insurance.
4. That the Ontario Water Centre be required to provide maintenance of the 9 +/- acres for overflow parking (ie. 2-3 times/season) in order to minimize weed growth for a 5 year period.
5. That the office of the CAO prepare a Memorandum of Understanding for review by Council.

**Carried**

- c. Proposed location of Additional Seasonal Decorations to be installed in 2020 and required Electrical Upgrades  
Report No. DS-2020-0017

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0054**

Moved By Councillor Sebo

Seconded By Councillor Harding

1. That Council receive Report No. DS-2020-0017 prepared by the Economic Development and Tourism Division, Development Services Department dated February 12, 2020 respecting the proposed location of additional seasonal decorations to be installed in 2020 and required electrical upgrades.
2. That Council authorize staff to proceed with the completion of the electrical upgrades necessary to ensure the installation of the remaining 28 seasonal decorations prior to the 2020 winter season.
3. That Council authorize the expenditure to a maximum of \$50,000 to proceed with the electrical upgrades necessary to install the remaining 28 seasonal decorations to be funded from the Corporate Capital Reserve.

**Carried**

**Direction;** staff requested to obtain pricing through an seasonal decoration RFP with and without the purchase and installation of photocell timers for all seasonal decorations throughout the Town to allow the options of running the decorations only during evening hours.

**Direction;** staff to prepare a Return Investment Analysis respecting the life cycle of the lit seasonal decorations with and without photocell timers, potential repair requirements with and without timers, if the timers will extend the life of the decorations and at how significant a difference with and without timers, and the cost to light the decorations 24 hours a day versus evening hours only.

**Direction;** staff requested to consider amended/additional locations for seasonal decorations to include i) decorations in Pefferlaw to extend further along Pefferlaw Road towards Pete's Lane and ii) decorations in Sutton to extend further along High Street towards Highway 48, and to potentially reduce the number of proposed additional seasonal decorations in Jackson's Point to accommodate those requested in Pefferlaw and Sutton.

- these items to be included in RFP, pricing with photo cells, pricing without photo cells
- staff requested to circulate to Council the amended mappings for the proposed location of additional seasonal decorations to be installed in 2020, once the decorations have been altered to accommodate the above requests for the Pefferlaw and Sutton communities

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

1. Dispositions/Proclamations

- a. Town of Aurora requesting consideration of its position concerning the state of municipal Workplace Diversity and Inclusion Strategy.

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0055**

Moved By Councillor Sebo

Seconded By Councillor Harding

That correspondence from the Town of Aurora requesting consideration of its position concerning the state of municipal Workplace Diversity and Inclusion Strategy be received and referred to the Chief Administrative Officer's office for disposition and to the Georgina Equity and Diversity Committee for comments.

**Carried**

2. General Information Items

- a. Information Items

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0056**

Moved By Councillor Fellini  
Seconded By Councillor Sebo

That the General Information Listing for February 12, 2020 be received.

**Carried**

b. Briefing Notes

a. Approval of Economic, Culture and Community Betterment Grant Applications

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0057**

Moved By Councillor Sebo  
Seconded By Councillor Fellini

That the Briefing Note from the Economic Development and Tourism Division advising of the approval of the following grants provided for in the 2020 budget;

- The Ones Vehicle Event, May 23 - September 5, 2020, \$3,500.00
- Lake Simcoe Gardeners - Way To Grow June 1 - September 30, 2020, \$400.00
- CountryFest 2020, July 24-26, 2020, \$4,000.00
- 2020 District Convention (Optimist International), August 14-16, 2020, \$1,450.00
- Georgina Studio Tour, September 26-27, 2020, \$4,000.00
- Music in the Streets, June 27, 2020, \$3,000.00

**Carried**

3. Committee of Adjustment Planning Matters *None.*

**14. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION**

**15. REGIONAL BUSINESS**

- **Fire Services;** Region to submit a report to local municipalities to see if there is interest to move forward with a Regional Fire Service; will also examine dispatch services and inquire if there is an opportunity to streamline emergency services
- **Governance Review;** Region was presented with options including i) eliminating all Regional Councillors and representing Regional Council with 9 Mayors and 9 municipalities, ii) Region annex southern portion of Simcoe

County by electing 2 members from each current provincial and federal riding equating to 10 different ridings, iii) add a member to Aurora, East Gwillimbury, King and Whitchurch-Stouffville and an additional member to Vaughan and eliminate Regional Chair position and have that position elected by elected officials

- **Mayor Quirk**; options coming back to Regional Council on February 27th are; decrease a member from Markham, decrease a member from Markham, Newmarket and Georgina, add a member to Vaughan, add a member to Vaughan, East Gwillimbury, Aurora, Whitchurch-Stouffville and King, look at adding a member to Vaughan and having election of the Chair to come from within those members only and member elected as Chair from those 21 would remain in whatever position they were initially elected for, look at direct election of the Chair. All votes to be based on a Triple Majority; must have a majority of Regional Council, must be a majority of the nine municipalities in York Region, and must be a majority of the population

## 16. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Draft Motion; Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

Moved By Councillor Sebo  
Seconded By Councillor Harding

That the Town of Georgina supports continuation of the programs and services of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA); and

That the LSRCA be requested to make a presentation to Town Council respecting the services and programs it provides, *both mandatory and non-mandatory*; and

That the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks give clear direction as to what programs and services are considered mandatory and non-mandatory and how those programs will be funded in the future; and

That the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks recognizes the strong and positive Provincial role Conservation Authorities play in flood risk reduction programs and reinstates funding to the Conservation Authorities of Ontario; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Caroline Mulroney, MP Scot Davidson, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Conservation Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

**Pending deferral motion decision**



Moved by Councillor Neeson  
Seconded by Councillor Harding

That a motion indicating the Town's support of continuation of the programs and services of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be deferred pending a presentation by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority to Town Council outlining the health of Lake Simcoe, its services and programs offered, which services and programs are mandatory and which are non-mandatory, funding pressures, then make a response to the Province after this presentation.

**Decision pending deadline information to be provided by CAO**

**Dave Reddon** advised that his office will invite representatives of the Conservation Authority to make a presentation to Town Council, potentially at a Special Council meeting solely for this topic.

**Dave Reddon** advised that following Item 18 Closed Session and Item No. 16 (ii) Broadband Strategy Workshop, staff will advise of the deadline for the Consultation Review Process prior to consideration of the motion concerning the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority.

**17. BY-LAWS**

Moved By Councillor Waddington  
Seconded By Councillor Fellini

That the following bylaw(s) be adopted:

1. Bylaw No. 2020-0012 (TR-1), a bylaw amending Bylaw 2002-0046 (TR-1) regulating traffic and control of parking of vehicles

**Carried**

**18. CLOSED SESSION**

Moved By Councillor Harding  
Seconded By Councillor Neeson

That the Council meeting convene into Closed Session at 10:35am, observe a five-minute recess, and convene the closed session business at 10:45am pursuant to Section 239 of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to deal with the following matter:

- **ADVICE THAT IS SUBJECT TO SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS NECESSARY FOR THAT PURPOSE; SECTION 239(2)(f), MA**
  - Solicitor Update – Pefferlaw Fire Hall

**Carried**

Moved By Councillor Fellini  
Seconded By Councillor Waddington

That the Council Meeting reconvene from Closed Session at 11:50am

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0058**

Moved By Councillor Neeson  
Seconded By Councillor Fellini

In regards to Closed Session Item No. 18(1)(A) being advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose under Section 239 (2)(f) of the Municipal Act regarding the Pefferlaw Fire Hall;

1. That Council receive the Town Solicitor's update and direct staff to continue to work with all parties and proceed as discussed
2. That staff are directed to report back with additional information as received.

**Carried**

Moved By Councillor Waddington  
Seconded By Regional Councillor Grossi

That the Council Meeting recess at 11:51am

**Carried**

The Council Meeting reconvened at 12:15pm

**16. OTHER BUSINESS**

2. Broadband Strategy Workshop  
(12:22)

**Shawn Nastke** introduced Laura Bradley, General Manager at YorkNet and Amedeo Bernardi, President of Amadeo Bernardi Consulting Inc.

**Amedeo Bernardi** guided Council through an exercise to determine the following Broadband Strategy priorities of a 5-10 Year Internet Connectivity Vision for Georgina, Guiding Principles that align with the vision and the top 3 immediate priorities, the general direction of the future of South Shore Community Broadband and a discussion on funding options.

**Rob Wheater** provided a brief update on the demand for internet services by the Town, advising that the Town built a tower at the Ice Palace to continue with its own municipal needs and had direction to temporarily try to provide internet services to residents who were unable to find another service provider. Thirty-eight residents originally signed up who were former ILS customers at the time and as of today, less than 5 residents have been unable to find another service provider.

- Discussion took place concerning funding options
- Pursue government funding, even where cost-sharing arrangements are required.
- Leverage our SSCB infrastructure as in-kind contribution; some government funding applications will ask for assets, can be included in applications for the community's contribution. All taxpayers should not need to contribute to provide internet to a few.
- Require private contribution in challenging areas; some smaller subdivisions or collection of homes may be requested to contribute as a local improvement, being more singular or private citizen based
- Pursue private-public-partnership (P3) model; more formal, more public based or referred to as a local improvement
- Partnerships with neighbouring municipalities
- Explore tax revenue options; should not be an option

Moved By Councillor Waddington  
Seconded By Councillor Sebo

That the Council Meeting recess at 1:33pm

**Carried**

The meeting reconvened at 1:47pm

**Mr. Bernardi** reviewed the priorities in order of priority, as follows:

● 5-10 Year Internet Connectivity Vision for Georgina

"All businesses and residents have access to affordable and reliable broadband connectivity options at the service levels they require based on technology advancement, private market forces and funding commitment from senior levels of government"

● Guiding Principles that Align with the Vision

- Leverage private public partnerships - form partnerships with service providers and seek private investments
- Establish policies to broadband deployment such as Dig Once and shared infrastructure
- Earmark reserve funds so to leverage external funding opportunities
- Leverage our South Shore Community Broadband (SSCB) infrastructure
- Leverage the 100+km of YorkNet fiber infrastructure
- Partner with neighbouring municipalities and First Nations
- not become a competitive ISP or compete with the private sector

● Top Priorities

- Connectivity for all residents (e.g. education, healthcare, telework, etc) allowing them to participate fully in the digital world
- Leveraging broadband to foster economic development, business attraction, expansion, retention
- Provide community Wi-Fi, including in libraries, tourist destinations and other public facilities
- Connectivity for the Town of Georgina's municipal needs

● Leverage the SSCB network in the following manner to achieve the Vision:

- Maintain infrastructure for Town's business continuity and internal needs
- Explore leasing existing towers (co-location) to private service providers to deliver last mile service to residents and businesses, and potential tower enhancements based on a sustainable business plan.

● Next steps

**Shawn Nastke** reviewed the next steps, advising that staff will take away the feedback and develop a detailed Terms of Reference with a strategy and action plan, will return to Council March 25<sup>th</sup> to receive approval for the Terms of reference and move forward with the actual development of the strategy and action plan. Staff will also be closely watching for any government funding opportunities that may become available.

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0059**

Moved By Councillor Harding

Seconded By Councillor Neeson

That the Council meeting continue past the four-hour time limit and receive the Broadband Strategy Workshop presentation.

**Carried**

**16. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Draft Motion; Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

The CAO advised that there is no formal posting for comments, no deadline for input.

Moved By Councillor Sebo  
Seconded By Councillor Harding

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That the LSRCA be requested to make a presentation to Town Council respecting the services and programs it provides, p

That the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks give clear direction as to what programs and services are considered mandatory and non-mandatory and how those programs will be funded in the future; and

That the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks recognizes the strong and positive Provincial role Conservation Authorities play in flood risk reduction programs and reinstates funding to the Conservation Authorities of Ontario; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Caroline Mulroney, MP Scot Davidson, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Conservation Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

**Motion Withdrawn**

Moved by Councillor Neeson  
Seconded by Councillor Harding

That a motion indicating the Town's support of continuation of the programs and services of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be deferred pending a presentation by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority to Town Council outlining issues such as the health of Lake Simcoe, current phosphorous levels, the authority's

services and programs offered, which services/programs are mandatory and which are non-mandatory, funding pressures.

**Motion Withdrawn**

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020-0060**

Moved By Councillor Sebo

Seconded By Councillor Harding

Whereas the Town of Georgina has been well serviced by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Georgina and Region of York rely on the expert advice of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority regarding land use planning proposals, source water protection and watershed integrity;

AND WHEREAS the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority provides expert information, knowledge and advice regarding flood management and water quality monitoring;

AND WHEREAS the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority provides programs to residents that include recreation, education, preservation and restoration projects that protect natural vegetation, species at risk and soil erosion;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government is reviewing mandated programs, core services and potential funding of Conservation Authorities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

1. That the Town of Georgina supports the continuation of the programs and services provided by Conservation Authorities to municipalities and requests that the Provincial Government provide clear direction to maintain core services and provide stable funding to Conservation Authorities in order to provide these services.
2. That this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Environment, Conservation & Parks, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Premier Doug Ford, all York Region MPP's, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Conservation Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all York Region municipalities.

**Carried**

**DIRECTION;** CAO requested to invite representatives of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) to attend a Special Council Meeting to make a presentation to Council regarding the health of Lake Simcoe, current phosphorus levels, the Authority's services/programs offered, which services/programs are mandatory/non-mandatory, etc.

**19. CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Moved By Councillor Fellini  
Seconded By Councillor Waddington

That the following by-law be adopted:

1. Bylaw No. 2020-0013 (COU-2), confirming proceedings for the February 12, 2020 Council Meeting

**Carried**

**20. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Moved By Councillor Harding  
Seconded By Councillor Sebo

That the Council Meeting adjourn at 2:04pm

**Carried**

  
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Margaret Quirk, Mayor

  
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Rachel Dillabough, Town Clerk