



TOWN OF AURORA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, March 31, 2015

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS	Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Pirri, Thom, and Thompson
MEMBERS ABSENT	Councillor Mrakas
OTHER ATTENDEES	Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Building and By-law Services, Director of Corporate and Financial Services/Treasurer, Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Director of Legal and Legislative Services/Town Solicitor, Director of Parks and Recreation Services, Director of Planning and Development Services, Town Clerk, and Council/Committee Secretary

Mayor Dawe called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m. following Open Forum.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services, ***with the following additions***, be approved.

- Delegation (a) Lisa Surgenor, resident of Aurora
Re: Item 1(4) – Report No. PL15-019
Site Plan Application, Skygrove Developments Inc.
233 Earl Stewart Drive, File: SP-2014-09

- Item 7 – Memorandum from Director of Corporate & Financial Services/Treasurer
Re: Cancellation of Special Council Meeting – April 7, 2015

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2015
Special Council – Public Planning Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2015

Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the Council meeting minutes of March 10, 2015 and Special Council – Public Planning meeting minutes of March 25, 2015 be adopted as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS

On a motion of Councillor Pirri seconded by Councillor Thom, Council consented, on a two-thirds vote, that the requirements of section 3.8(c) of the Procedural By-law be waived to permit Ms. Irene Clement to speak for more than ten (10) minutes.

- (a) Irene Clement, Chair, Aurora Community Arboretum**
Re: Aurora Community Arboretum Update – 2014/2015 Activities

Ms. Clement presented an overview of the Aurora Community Arboretum's achievements of 2014 regarding specimen areas, nurseries, education, and administration, and highlighted the plans and budget for 2015.

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

THAT the presentation by Irene Clement regarding Aurora Community Arboretum Update – 2014/2015 Activities be received for information.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Gaertner noted that the 2014 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report may be accessed on the Town's website or obtained at Town Hall.

Councillor Gaertner extended congratulations to Vivian Hould for receiving the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award.

Councillor Thompson, on behalf of Councillor Mrakas, remarked that more than 1,000 families attended the 2015 Ontario Cup Provincial U11 Boys Basketball Championships held on March 27-29, 2015.

Councillor Thompson extended a reminder about the upcoming 2015 Run or Walk for Southlake on April 26, 2015 and he encouraged all members of Team Aurora and Council to participate in the municipal challenge and fundraising efforts.

Councillor Abel extended a reminder that the Easter Egg Hunt will take place on April 4, 2015 and tickets may be purchased at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex and Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex for \$5 per child.

Councillor Abel extended a reminder that the Aurora Chamber Home Show will take place on April 10, 11, and 12, 2015 at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex.

Councillor Abel noted that he recently attended, along with Councillor Thompson, the Queen's York Rangers Gun Camp.

Councillor Abel thanked volunteers from the Aurora Seniors' Centre and Optimist Club of Aurora for organizing a successful Men Can Cook event on March 14, 2015.

Councillor Abel extended congratulations to Cameron Morrison of the Aurora Tigers for being the recipient of the Ontario Junior Hockey League Rookie of the Year Award.

Councillor Humfryes noted that the Special Olympics Ontario-Aurora Bocce team competed in a Bocce Tournament on March 28 and 29, 2015.

Councillor Humfryes thanked staff for organizing a successful pizza, pop, and pledge lunch on March 26, 2015 at Town Hall for the 2015 Run or Walk for Southlake.

Councillor Thom extended congratulations to the Aurora Tigers on a great hockey season.

Councillor Kim noted that he attended a scotch tasting hosted by CHATS and the Aurora Historical Society on March 26, 2015.

Councillor Pirri extended congratulations to Canadian indie rock band July Talk for winning a Juno award and noted that band member Ian Docherty grew up in Aurora.

Mayor Dawe announced that application packages for food vendors for Concerts in the Park, Theatre in the Park, and Ribfest are now being accepted.

Mayor Dawe noted that the 53rd Annual Juried Art Show and Sale, which will take place on May 2 and 3, 2015, is accepting entries and further information may be accessed on the Town website.

Mayor Dawe noted that registration is open for Aurora's Summer Camps.

6. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1 (sub-items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 9), 4, and 6 were identified for discussion.

7. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1 (with the exception of sub-items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 9), 2, 3, 5, and 7 were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the following recommendations with respect to 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:

1. General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015

THAT the General Committee meeting report of March 24, 2015 be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee be approved (*with the exception of sub-item 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 9*):

(5) PL15-025 – Planning Applications Status List

THAT Report No. PL15-025 be received for information.

(7) IES15-024 – Award of Tender IES2014-73 – For Street Lighting Infrastructure Maintenance

THAT Report No. IES15-024 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2014-73 – For street lighting infrastructure maintenance be awarded to Mead Electric Inc. at an annual upset limit of \$110,000, plus taxes for a two-year period ending December 31, 2016; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

(8) IES15-017 – Backyard Composting Initiative to Reduce Curbside Collection

THAT Report No. IES15-017 be received for information.

(10) IES15-019 – Ministry of Environment Drinking Water System Inspection

THAT Report No. IES15-019 be received for information.

(11) IES15-020 – Drinking Water Quality Management Standard Operational Plan and Municipal Drinking Water Licence

THAT Report No. IES15-020 be received; and

THAT the Town of Aurora Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) Operational Plan for Aurora's Water Distribution system, as required by the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*, be endorsed; and

THAT the meeting minutes of the annual Management Review by Top Management be received.

(12) IES15-021 – 2014 Water Audit Report

THAT Report No. IES15-021 be received for information.

(13) IES15-022 – Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Budget

THAT Report No. IES15-022 be received; and

THAT the 2015 combined Water, Wastewater budget for expenditures of \$17,078,987 and the Stormwater budget for expenditures of \$1,313,000 be approved; and

THAT the 2015 retail water rate of \$1.9855 per cubic meter and the retail wastewater rate of \$1.6812 per cubic meter of water be approved; and

THAT the 2015 flat rate stormwater charge of \$4.78 per unit per month for residential and condominium properties and \$62.96 per unit per month for metered non-residential commercial/industrial and multi-residential properties be approved; and

THAT the new approved retail water, retail wastewater, and stormwater charge rates become effective for all billings issued by the Town on or after May 1, 2015, and be retroactive for all consumption newly billed on such billings; and

THAT the 2015 bulk water purchase rate of \$3.6667 per cubic meter dispensed effective May 1, 2015 be approved; and

THAT a by-law be enacted to implement the 2015 retail water rate, retail wastewater rate, stormwater charge, and bulk water purchase rate.

(14) IES15-015 – Town-wide Conversion to LED Street Lighting – Update No. 1

THAT Report No. IES15-015 be received; and

THAT this report satisfy Council's conditional budget approval for capital project #34709 "Streetlight Conversion to LED"; and

THAT staff be authorized to proceed with capital project #34709 "Streetlight Conversion to LED"; and

THAT the Town retain the services of RealTerm Energy as a single source purchase to develop the Lighting Design and Investment Grade Audit to convert existing street lights to Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lights at a cost of \$85,000 plus taxes; and

THAT funding be provided from the Roads and Related Infrastructure Repair and Replacement reserve fund; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute a Letter of Intent with RealTerm Energy for an Investment Grade Audit related to a LED street light conversion, including any other documents or agreements necessary to give effect to same.

(15) CFS15-014 – Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for Members of Council, Committees and Local Boards

THAT Report No. CFS15-014 be received for information

(16) PL15-020 – Proposed Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment, Eyelet Investment Corp., 1114 Wellington Street East, Files: SUB-2014-03 and ZBA-2014-08

THAT Report No. PL15-020 be received; and

THAT Application for Draft Plan of Subdivision SUB-2014-03 (Eyelet Investment Corp. be approved, subject to the conditions outlined in Schedule 'A' of this report; and

THAT Zoning By-law Amendment file ZBA-2014-08 (Eyelet Investment Corp.) be approved, to zone the subject lands from "RU" – Rural General Zone to "R2-96" –Detached Dwelling Second Density Residential Exception Zone, "EP-15"– Environmental Protection Exception Zone, and "O-9"–Major Open Space Exception Zone; and

THAT a total of 82 units of water and sewage capacity be allocated to the Draft Plan of Subdivision; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute a Subdivision Agreement, including any and all documents and all of the Agreements referenced in the Conditions of Approval, and any ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

**(17) Memorandum from Director of Planning & Development Services
Re: Additional Information for Item 16 – Report No. PL15-020 –
Proposed Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment,
Eyelet Investment Corp., 1114 Wellington Street East, Files: SUB-
2014-03 and ZBA-2014-08**

THAT the memorandum regarding Additional Information for Item 16 – Report No. PL15-020 – Proposed Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment, Eyelet Investment Corp., 1114 Wellington Street East, Files: SUB-2014-03 and ZBA-2014-08 be received; and

THAT Condition #58 be removed from the Conditions of Approval attached as Schedule “A” to Report No. PL15-020 in favour of a clause inserted into the Subdivision Agreement.

2. Audit Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015

THAT the Audit Committee meeting report of March 24, 2015 be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee be approved:

(1) CFS15-013 – Audit Plan for 2014 Fiscal Year

THAT Report No. CFS15-013 be received; and

THAT the 2014 year end Audit Plan as proposed by BDO Canada LLP be endorsed.

**3. LLS15-026 – General Committee Closed Session Meeting Report of
March 24, 2015**

THAT Report No. LLS15-026 be received; and

THAT Council adopt the following recommendations from the Closed Session meeting of March 24, 2015:

**1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town
or Local Board employee; Re: LLS15-023 – Appointments to the
Heritage Advisory Committee**

THAT Closed Session Report No. LLS15-023 be received; and

THAT Robert William Newman's correspondence declining his appointment to the Heritage Advisory Committee be received; and

THAT Council appoint Martin Paivio as a citizen member to the Heritage Advisory Committee; and

THAT this appointment be effective as of April 1, 2015.

**5. Memorandum from Director of Infrastructure & Environmental Services
Re: Establishment of Lands as Public Highway and Stop-up and Closure
of Portion of Highway (Old Bloomington Road)**

THAT the memorandum regarding Establishment of Lands as Public Highway and Stop-up and Closure of Portion of Highway (Old Bloomington Road) be received for information.

**7. Memorandum from Director of Corporate & Financial Services/Treasurer
Re: Cancellation of Special Council Meeting – April 7, 2015**

(Added Item)

THAT the memorandum regarding Cancellation of Special Council Meeting – April 7, 2015 be received; and

THAT the Special Council meeting currently scheduled for April 7, 2015 be cancelled; and

THAT the Mayor be delegated the authority to call future General Committee meetings for purposes of continuing the 2015 Operating Budget deliberations; and

THAT a Special Council meeting for the purposes of final 2015 Operating Budget approval purposes be scheduled by the Mayor.

CARRIED

8. DELEGATIONS

**(a) Lisa Surgenor, resident of Aurora
Re: Item 1(4) – Report No. PL15-019, Site Plan Application, Skygrove
Developments Inc., 233 Earl Stewart Drive, File:SP-2014-09**

(Added Item)

Ms. Surgenor spoke in opposition of the site plan application for 233 Earl Stewart Drive that proposes a McDonalds restaurant, and expressed concerns regarding the potential littering, loitering, noise pollution, and odours.

Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Humfries

THAT the delegation by Lisa Surgenor regarding Item 1(4) – Report No. PL15-019, Site Plan Application, Skygrove Developments Inc., 233 Earl Stewart Drive, File: SP-2014-09 be received and referred to Item 1(4).

CARRIED

9. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

- 1. General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
 - (1) Memorandum from Chief Administrative Officer**
Re: Northern Six Collaboration – Presentation of Upcoming Initiatives

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the memorandum regarding Northern Six (“N6”) Collaboration – Presentation of Upcoming Initiatives be received; and

THAT staff continue to evaluate opportunities for shared services between and among N6 municipalities.

CARRIED

- 1. General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
 - (2) PR15-008 – Development of a Sport Plan for Aurora**

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

THAT Report No. PR15-008 be received; and

THAT the process for the creation of a Sports Plan for Aurora as set out in Report PR15-008 be approved; and

THAT the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Capital Project #73270 be increased by \$20,000.00, to be funded from the Master Plan Reserve; and

THAT the engagement of a consultant for the development of a Sports Plan for Aurora be combined with the Parks and Recreation Master Plan review and update.

CARRIED

1. **General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
- (3) **PR15-009 – John West Memorial “Leaders of Tomorrow” Scholarship Award**

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Humfries

THAT Report No. PR15-009 be received; and

THAT the John West Memorial, Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship Award be implemented and the Terms of Reference be approved; and

THAT a Special Reserve Fund to be named the “John West Memorial, Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship Award Fund” be established for the sole purpose of receiving a bequest from the estate of John West; and

THAT a by-law to create the “John West Memorial, Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship Award Fund” Special Reserve Fund be enacted.

CARRIED

1. **General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
- (4) **PL15-019 – Site Plan Application, Skygrove Developments Inc., 233 Earl Stewart Drive, File: SP-2014-09**

On a motion of Councillor Thompson seconded by Councillor Thom, Council consented to consider Item 1(4) prior to Item 1(1).

Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT Report No. PL15-019 be received; and

THAT Site Plan Application File SP-2014-09 (Skygrove Developments Inc.) be approved to permit the development of the subject lands for a stand-alone restaurant with drive-thru facility and two (2) multi-unit commercial buildings; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the Site Plan Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED

YEAS: 7	NAYS: 1
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Humfries, Kim, Pirri, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	Councillor Gaertner
ABSENT:	Councillor Mrakas

1. **General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
- (6) **IES15-023 – Facility Projects Status Report**

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Pirri

THAT Report No. IES15-023 be received for information.

CARRIED

1. **General Committee Meeting Report of March 24, 2015**
- (9) **IES15-018 – Submission of Annual Drinking Water Quality Report**

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

THAT Report No. IES15-018 be received; and

THAT the 2014 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report be posted on the Town's website.

CARRIED

4. **Memorandum from Mayor Dawe**
Re: Correspondence from MPP Ernie Hardeman, Oxford – *Housing Services Corporation Accountability Act, 2015*

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

THAT the memorandum regarding Correspondence from MPP Ernie Hardeman, Oxford – *Housing Services Corporation Accountability Act, 2015* be received and referred to staff for further information.

CARRIED

6. **Memorandum from Director of Planning & Development Services**
Re: Additional Information, Administrative Zoning By-law Amendment No. 5701-15, 30 Eric T. Smith Way

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the memorandum regarding Additional Information – Administrative Zoning By-law Amendment No. 5701-15 – 30 Eric T. Smith Way be received for information.

On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED

YEAS: 7	NAYS: 1
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Pirri, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	Councillor Gaertner
ABSENT:	Councillor Mrakas

10. NOTICES OF MOTION/MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

(i) Notices of Motion

None

(ii) Motions for Which Notice Has Been Given

(a) Councillor Thom

Re: Canada 150 Celebrations

Moved by Councillor Thom

Seconded by Councillor Pirri

WHEREAS July 1, 2017 will mark the 150th anniversary of Confederation;
and

WHEREAS the 150th anniversary of Confederation is a major historic
milestone for our country and cause for national celebration; and

WHEREAS the Town of Aurora, along with the federal and provincial
governments, has a responsibility to protect, promote and enhance our
national history, culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS public celebrations and events marking the 150th anniversary
of Confederation will bring our community closer together, demonstrate
our Town's pride for our country, and give us a great opportunity to
educate our youth on Canada's national history, culture, and heritage over
the past 150 years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council direct
staff to bring forward a report with recommendations regarding the
implementation of a "Canada 150 Committee", similar to the "Aurora
Sesquicentennial Committee", for the purpose of coordinating Town of
Aurora events surrounding the 150th anniversary of Confederation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to investigate and
include in their report any possible synergies and collaboration
opportunities with the federal and provincial governments as they roll out
their plans for Canada 150 celebrations.

CARRIED

11. REGIONAL REPORT

York Regional Council Highlights – March 26, 2015

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Thom

THAT the Regional Report of March 26, 2015 be received for information.

CARRIED

12. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

Councillor Thompson inquired about the status of the Ontario Power Authority application for a Feed in Tariff (FIT) contract for the proposed solar photovoltaic system at the Stronach Aurora Recreational Complex.

Councillor Abel inquired about federal infrastructure funding.

Councillor Humfryes thanked the Town's Communications team for their advertising efforts towards the Run or Walk for Southlake fundraiser.

Councillor Kim inquired about the status of the Minto litigation.

Councillor Thompson inquired about the establishment of an overall communications policy.

13. READING OF BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

THAT the following by-laws be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

5695-15 BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (Chafam Premiere/Sterne Motors Ltd., File: ZBA-2014-06).

5696-15 BEING A BY-LAW to authorize civil marriage solemnizations.

5697-15 BEING A BY-LAW to amend By-law Number 5680-15, to establish a schedule of fees and charges for municipal services, activities, and the use of property within the Town of Aurora (Fees and Charges By-law).

- 5698-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Parking and Traffic Control By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended, to designate and erect stop signs at various intersections in the Town of Aurora.
- 5700-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend By-law Number 5416-12, to appoint employees of the Ontario Parking Control Bureau Corp. as Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers in the Town of Aurora.
- 5702-15** BEING A BY-LAW to permanently close a portion of a highway and to establish lands as highways (Old Bloomington Road).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

THAT the following by-law be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

- 5701-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (30 Eric T. Smith Way).

On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED

YEAS: 7	NAYS: 1
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Pirri, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	Councillor Gaertner
ABSENT:	Councillor Mrakas

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Abel

THAT the following confirming by-law be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

- 5703-15** BEING A BY-LAW to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from Council Meeting on March 31, 2015.

CARRIED

14. CLOSED SESSION

None

15. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10 p.m.

CARRIED

GEOFFREY DAWE, MAYOR

STEPHEN M. A. HUYCKE, TOWN CLERK

THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 31, 2015 RECEIVED FINAL APPROVAL BY COUNCIL ON APRIL 14, 2015.