

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2009**

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Resolutions from the Township of Madawaska Valley**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Township of Madawaska Valley requesting the County of Renfrew lobby the Provincial Government to ensure an increase in Homecare Access Programs including increased funding, support and assistance; and the resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario change assessment legislation to freeze rates at the 2008 rate for the next few years and for a second class of tax be created to recognize waterfront properties and the significant tax burden carried by those owners be received.
- b. Resolution from Prince Edward County**
Be it resolved that the resolution from Prince Edward County requesting that federal and provincial government agencies responsible for public health, energy creation and energy management dedicate resources to research the impact of low frequency noise and electrical disturbances in the areas of wind turbines; and to create and provide regulations and guidelines for the location of wind turbines be received.
- c. Resolution from the City of Hamilton**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the City of Hamilton supporting the efforts of MPP Andrea Howath with respect to the current Bill 138 – *Protection of Public Participation Act, 2008* be received.
- d. Resolution from the Town of Ajax**
Be it resolved that the resolution from the Town of Ajax requesting the Government of Ontario amend the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* to provide municipalities the authority to pass a by-law prohibiting corporations that carry on business in Ontario or trade unions that hold bargaining rights for employees in Ontario from making contributions to or for any candidate for an office on the respective municipal council be received.
- e. Letter from the Township of Oro-Medonte**
Be it resolved that the letter from the Township of Oro-Medonte regarding the NVCA draft budget and municipal levy be received.
- f. Letter from the County of Simcoe**
Be it resolved that the letter from the County of Simcoe regarding the notice of passing of a Development Charges by-law be received.

- g. Final Report from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority in Partnership with the Essa Salmon Derby Committee**
Be it resolved that the final report from the NVCA in partnership with the Essa Salmon Derby Committee regarding restoration opportunities for stream habitats supporting Chinook Salmon and Rainbow Trout in Essa Township be received.
- h. Media Release from the County of Simcoe**
Be it resolved that the media release from the County of Simcoe entitled, “County of Simcoe continues working for local solutions” regarding the County’s willingness to work fairly with all municipal partners be received.
- i. Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee Meeting Minutes**
Be it resolved that the minutes of the January 15, 2009 Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee meeting be received.
- j. AMO Member Communication Items**
Be it resolved that the AMO member communication item regarding municipal support of Earth Hour and Energy Conservation Week needed be received; and that the member communication regarding municipal action on bottled water be received; and that the member communication regarding the AMO report to members be received; and that the member communication item regarding the 2009 Federal Gas Tax Award application be received.

Recommendation: *Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated February 18, 2009 be approved as presented, and that the necessary action be taken.*