

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2009**

A Regular Council meeting was held following Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance: Mayor David Guergis  
Deputy Mayor Terry Dowdall  
Councillor Rick Newlove  
Councillor Sandie Macdonald  
Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance: G. Murphy, M. Galloway, P. Macdonald, C. Healey, J. Barrett

**1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR**

Mayor Guergis opened the Regular Council meeting at 7:44 p.m.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** – Mayor Guergis declared a conflict on the minutes.

Mayor Guergis vacated the Chair and Deputy Mayor Dowdall proceeded with the agenda.

**3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS**

Resolution No: C288-2009 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Henderson

*Be it resolved that the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and  
That the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting, Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings held on the Second day of December, 2009 be adopted as circulated.*

Carried

**4. PRESENTING, REFERRING OR PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

Resolution No: C289-2009 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that Payments dated November 26 to December 10, 2009 in the amount of \$655,243.95 be approved; and  
That Visa Accounts dated December 15, 2009 in the amount of \$11,659.19 be approved.*

Carried

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Resolution No: C290-2009 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated December 16, 2009 be approved as presented, and that the necessary action be taken.*

Carried

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a. Nottawasaga Police Services Board**

Resolution No: C291-2009 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that the minutes of the October 21, 2009 Nottawasaga Police Services Board meeting be received.*

Carried

**7. PETITIONS**

**8. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**a. Reduction of Securities – Thornton Meadows Subdivision, Phase 2**

Resolution No: C292-2009 Moved by: Henderson, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that securities be reduced in connection with the Thornton Meadows subdivision Phase 2, as recommended by AECOM, as follows:*

<i>Securities being held</i>	<i>\$203,830.17</i>
<i>Less recommended reduction</i>	<i>(\$ 95,494.06)</i>
<i>Securities to be retained</i>	<i>\$108,336.11</i>

*and further,*

*That this approval is conditional upon receiving a statutory declaration from the developer that all outstanding accounts relating to this subdivision have been paid, including the Township's legal, engineering and winter road maintenance costs.*

Carried

**b. Community Adjustment Fund**

Resolution No: C293-2009 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*WHEREAS the Township of Essa has received funding approval under the Community*

*Adjustment Fund for total project costs of \$680,000 for the project titled “Renovation of an Arena and Banquet Hall”; and*

*WHEREAS the Township will receive \$453,334 from the Community Adjustment Fund; and*

*WHEREAS a municipal resolution is required as additional documentation to be added to the Federal Government’s Letter of Offer;*

*THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the project titled “Renovation of an Arena and Banquet Hall” will proceed and that municipal funds in the amount of \$226,666 are available from the Reserve for Parks and Recreation; and further*

*THAT this resolution reconfirms that David Guergis, Mayor and Mike Galloway, Clerk are signing officers for the Corporation of the Township of Essa; and*

*THAT the Mayor and Clerk be hereby authorized to execute this agreement.*

Carried

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Councillor Macdonald thanked staff for a great year.

Mayor Guergis assumed the Chair from Deputy Mayor Dowdall.

## **10. BY-LAWS**

### **a. By-law 2009 – 68**

Resolution No: C294-2009 Moved by: Macdonald, Seconded by: Newlove

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2009 -68, being a by-law to authorize the Transfer, Release and Abandonment of an Easement over Part of Lot 60, Plan 51M-473, Township of Essa, County of Simcoe, being Part 1, on Plan 51R-31500, being part of PIN 58982-0060 (LT); and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

Carried

## **11. QUESTIONS**

The media asked various questions about the Barrie Agricultural Society.

Councillor Macdonald asked if the \$200,000 in the budget is best served in reconstructing the outdoor arena or would it be better to sell it and then potentially built new. The CAO/Public Works Manager will look into this matter and report back.

**12. IN CAMERA**

Resolution No: C295-2009 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that Council proceed In Camera in order to address matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the Municipality or local board.*

Carried

Council came out of the in-camera session at 8:08 p.m.

**13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

**By-law 2009 - 69**

Resolution No: C297-2009 Moved by: Dowdall, Seconded by: Macdonald

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2009 - 69 , being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this Sixteenth Day December 2009; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

Carried

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution No: C298-2009 Moved by: Newlove, Seconded by: Henderson

*Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn to meet again on the Twentieth day of January 2010 following Committee of the Whole.*

Carried

Original Signed By:

*David Guergis, Mayor*

*Mike Galloway, Clerk*