

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2016**

A Regular Council meeting was held on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 in Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance: Mayor Terry Dowdall  
Deputy Mayor Sandie Macdonald  
Councillor Keith White  
Councillor Michael Smith  
Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance: G. Murphy, Chief Administrative Officer  
C. Mohr, Manager of Finance  
C. Healey, Manager of Planning & Development  
C. Ross Tustin, Fire Chief  
D. Perreault, Manager of Public Works  
B. Sander, Clerk

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

Mayor Dowdall opened the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

**12. CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution No: CR265-2016 Moved by: White Seconded by: Macdonald**

*Be it resolved that Council proceed to a Closed Session in order to address matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Municipality or local board; and, advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.*

----Carried----

Council rose from Closed Session and proceeded to Committee of the Whole at 6:00 p.m.

Council reconvened Regular Council at 6:06 p.m.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

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

**Resolution No: CR266-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*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, Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016 be adopted as circulated.*

----Carried----

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

**Resolution No: CR267-2016 Moved by: White Seconded by: Macdonald**

*Be it resolved that payments dated November 30, 2016 to December 14, 2016 in the amount of \$3,970,665.75 be approved.*

----Carried----

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution No: CR268-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Henderson**

*Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated December 21, 2016 be approved as presented, and that the necessary action be taken.*

----Carried----

Item 2 is to be brought back to Council at the January 18, 2017 meeting.

Item 3 – A letter of support to be sent.

Item 11 – A letter of support to be sent.

Item 14 – A letter of support to be sent.

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS****a. Accessibility Advisory Committee**

**Resolution No: CR269-2016 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Henderson**

*Be it resolved that the meeting notes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee's informal meeting of November 21, 2016 be received.*

----Carried----

**7. PETITIONS****8. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS****a. Appointment of Working Recreation Centre Supervisor-Thornton Arena**

**Resolution No: CR270-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: White**

*Be it resolved that Stuart Parkinson be appointed as the Working Recreation Centre Supervisor-Thornton Arena, effective December 14, 2016.*

----Carried----

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS****10. BY-LAWS****a. By-law 2016-82**

**Resolution No: CR271-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-82, being a By-law to adopt an Emergency Management Program for the Township of Essa, pursuant to Section 2.1 (1) of the Emergency Management Act, R.S.O. 1990, Ch. E9, as amended; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

----Carried----

**b. By-law 2016-83**

**Resolution No: CR272-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: White**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-83, being a By-law to amend By-law 2011-20 being the Business Licensing By-law and repeal By-law 2014-23; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

----Carried----

**c. By-law 2016-84**

**Resolution No: CR273-2016 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Macdonald**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-84, being an Interim Control By-law to control the use of lands in the whole of the Township of Essa while Council and the Municipality undertake to study care facilities; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

----Carried----

**d. By-law 2016-85**

**Resolution No: CR274-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: White**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-85, being a By-law to provide for a Stormwater Discharge Agreement/Easement for Part East Half of Lot 1, Conc. 6, Designated as Part 1, 51R-3057, Township of Essa, County of Simcoe (5684 Highway 89, Cookstown) and Part East Half Lot 1, Conc. 6, Designated as Part 1, 51R-4742, s/t an Easement in gross over Part 1, Plan 51R-37756, Township of Essa, County of Simcoe (5694 Highway 89, Cookstown); and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

----Carried----

**e. By-law 2016-86**

**Resolution No: CR275-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-86, being a By-law to provide for a Development Agreement for Concession 7, Part Lot 15, Plan 1332, Part 1, 51R-33261, Township of Essa, County of Simcoe (244 Barrie Street, Thornton); and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

----Carried----

## f. By-law 2016-87

**Resolution No: CR276-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016-87, being a By-law to establish and assume for public highway purposes the 0.3 metre reserves described as Blocks 281 through 287 (inclusive) on Plan 51M-919 in the Township of Essa, County of Simcoe being all of PINs: 58110-1292 (LT); 58110-1293 (LT); 58110-1294 (LT); 58110-1295 (LT); 58110-1296 (LT); 58110-1297 (LT); and 58110-1298 (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

A member of the media asked Council how they felt about the final budget. Some comments from Council were as follows:

- a good budget
- Council is being fiscally responsible
- some big road projects planned
- hiring of new Manager of Parks & Recreation
- pleased with 2% increase

## 12. CLOSED SESSION - CONTINUED

## a. SOLICITOR – CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Email from HGR Graham Partners LLP, dated December 9, 2016, re: The Corporation of the Township of Essa v Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario et al - Court File No. 14-1184.

**Resolution No: CR277-2016 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Macdonald**

*Be it resolved that the email from HGR Graham Partners LLP dated December 6, 2016, be received; and*

*That the Township solicitors proceed as directed by Council.*

----Carried----

## b. LITIGATION

Correspondence from HGR Graham Partners LLP dated December 14, re: Nottawasaga River Erosion Control Works.

**Resolution No: CR278-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that the correspondence, dated December 14, 2016 from HGR Graham Partners LLP, regarding Nottawasaga River Erosion Control Works be received.*

----Carried----

## 13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2016 – 88

**Resolution No: CR279-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2016 - 88, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2016; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.*

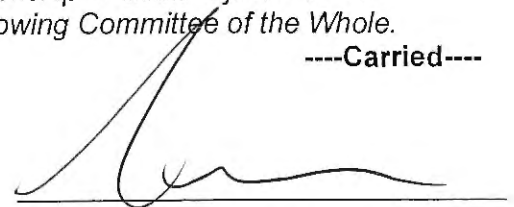
----Carried----

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

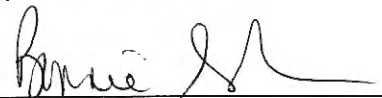
**Resolution No: CR280-2016 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith**

*Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of the Township of Essa adjourn at 6:18 p.m. to meet again on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017 following Committee of the Whole.*

----Carried----



Terry Dowdall, Mayor



Bonnie Sander, Clerk