



GEORGINA

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

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2024
Time: 9:00 AM

**Members of Council
Present:**

Mayor Margaret Quirk
Regional Councillor Davison
Councillor Biggerstaff
Councillor Fellini
Councillor Neeson
Councillor Genge
Councillor Dale

Staff Present:

Ryan Cronsberry, CAO
Denis Beaulieu, Director of Development Services
Steve Lee-Young, Director of Community Services
Michael Bigioni, Director of Legislative Services, Town Solicitor
Ron Jenkins, Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief
Rob Wheeler, Deputy CAO/Treasurer
Shawn Nastke, Director, Strategic Initiatives
Michael Vos, Director of Operations and Infrastructure
Val Stevens, Director, Library Services/CEO
Rachel Dillabough, Town Clerk
Mamata Baykar, Deputy Clerk
Carolyn Lance, Council Services Coordinator
Cheyenne McAnuff, Records and Information Coordinator
Anne Winstanley, Supervisor, Communications
Bob Ferguson, Manager, Parks Development and Operations
Karyn Stone, Manager, Economic Development & Tourism
Michael Rozario, Deputy Fire Chief
Mike Hutchinson, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement
Neil Macdonald, Manager, Capital Projects
Tanya Thompson, Communications Manager

Others Present:

Courtney Rennie, Senior Project Manager, Strategic Initiatives
Patti White, Manager of Recreation Services
Katrina Ellis, Marketing and Promotions Coordinator, Strategic Initiatives
Geoff Harrison, Manager of Taxation and Revenue

1. CALL TO ORDER- MOMENT OF MEDITATION

“The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of Mayor and Council, we would like to 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.

We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.”

2. ROLL CALL

As noted above

3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- February 28th is 'Pink Shirt Day', an annual event dedicated to raising awareness about bullying and promoting acts of kindness in schools across the country
- Saturday, March 2nd, Grand Opening of The MURC, 10:00am-2:00pm, regular operating hours will commence on Sunday, March 3rd

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

- Item No. 11.1.f(a), Appendix 'H' to Report No. OID-2024-0003, Life Cycle Cost Analysis

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0056**

Moved By Councillor Genge

Seconded By Regional Councillor Davison

That the closed session matter be deferred pending review by all Council members.

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0057

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Dale

That the remainder of the February 28th Council agenda, with the following addendum item, be approved;

- Item No. 11.1.f(a), Appendix 'H' to Report No. OID-2024-0003, Life Cycle Cost Analysis

Carried

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF None

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0058

Moved By Councillor Fellini

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That the following minutes be adopted as presented:

1. Council Minutes of January 24, 2024
2. Council Minutes of February 7, 2024

Carried

8. SPEAKERS AND DELEGATIONS

1. Presentation by Consultant; Stormwater Rate Assessment

Rob Wheater indicated that the Stormwater Rate Study was undertaken to indicate a dedicated fee to deal with the funding gap for ongoing maintenance and capital of stormwater infrastructure.

Ilmar Simanovskis, Civica Water Management Solutions, reviewed the stormwater rate study prepared for the Town of Georgina, advising that stormwater management is the creation of systems to offset the impacts of urbanization, phosphorus loading and other impacts to the lake.

Stormwater management is the collection of runoff to reduce property flood risk and the storage and treatment of stormwater to protect river systems and protect downstream areas from erosion and flood risk.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0059

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That the presentation made by Ilmar Simanovskis of Civica Water Management Solutions reviewing the Stormwater Rate Assessment, be received.

Carried

9. PETITIONS None

10. PUBLIC MEETINGS None

11. REPORTS

1. Adoption Of Reports Not Requiring Separate Discussion

Moved By Councillor Dale

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

That the following report recommendations be adopted;

c. Audit Plan for the 2023 Fiscal Year

Report No. DCAO-2024-0001

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0060

1. That Council receive Report No. DCAO-2024-0001 prepared by the Financial Controllershship and Reporting Division, Office of the Deputy CAO dated February 28, 2024 respecting the Audit Plan for the 2023 Fiscal Year.
2. That Council approve the Audit Plan for the 2023 Fiscal Year as prepared by KPMG LLP in consultation with Town staff, and described in the attached correspondence from KPMG LLP dated February 2024.

e. Community Services Fees and Charges Amendment

Report No. CSD-2024-0002

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0061

1. That Council receive Report No. CSD-2024-0002 prepared by the Community Services Department dated February 28, 2024, respecting amendment to the fees charged under By-Law 2023-0076 (RE-3).
2. That Council adopt the amended By-Law to approve the revised Community Services Fees and Charges 2024-2027 presented in Attachment 1.

Carried

2. Reports Requiring Separate Discussion

a. 2024 Town of Georgina Economic Development and Tourism Strategy

Report No. SI-2024-0003

Katrina Ellis provided an overview of the report.**Nancy Johnston** of McSweeney provided a presentation regarding the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy which assists with infrastructure planning and identifies Council priorities,

provides clear direction and assists the Town in decision-making, planning and execution.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0062

Moved By Councillor Fellini

Seconded By Councillor Neeson

1. That Council receive Report No. SI-2024-0003 prepared by the Economic Development and Tourism Division, Strategic Initiatives Department dated February 28, 2024, respecting the proposed 2024 Town of Georgina Economic Development and Tourism Strategy.
2. That Council endorse Attachment 1 of Report No. SL-2024-0003 as the Town's 2024 Economic Development and Tourism Strategy.

Carried

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Dale

That the Council meeting recess at 10:35am

Carried

That the Council meeting reconvene at 10:55am

- b. 2024 Recommendations for Priority Capital Improvements in Cemeteries

Report No. CSD-2024-0003

- staff requested to take before-and-after photos of the cemetery

A separation of the recommendations and recorded vote on Recommendation No. 3 was requested.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0063

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Regional Councillor Davison

1. That Council receive Report No. CSD-2024-0003 dated February 28, 2024 prepared by the Community Services Department for 2024 Recommendations for Priority Capital Improvements in Cemeteries;

2. That Council approve a budget of \$96,200 plus applicable HST for priority capital improvements at Keswick Cemetery in 2024, to be funded through the Corporate Capital Reserve.

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0064

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Regional Councillor Davison

3. That Council approve a budget of \$66,360 plus applicable HST for priority capital improvements, including layby parking, at Mann Cemetery in 2024, to be funded through the Corporate Capital Reserve.

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councillor Genge		x
Mayor Quirk	x	
Councillor Fellini	x	
Councillor Biggerstaff	x	
Councillor Dale	x	
Councillor Neeson	x	
Regional Councillor Davison	x	

Carried (6 to 1)

- d. Short Term Rental Accommodation Licensing – Proposed User Fees

Report No. LS-2024-0004

- Fees associated with inspections regarding valid complaints; the demerit point system reflects valid complaints against short term rental accommodation properties.
- fines and charges can be issued via several bylaws such as the noise bylaw and short term rental accommodation bylaw for enforcement purposes regarding valid complaints

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0065

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

1. That Report No. LS-2024-0004 prepared by the Clerk’s Division, Legislative Services Department, dated February 28, 2024, respecting Short-Term Rental Accommodation Licensing – Proposed User Fees be received;

2. That Council approve the proposed amendments to the Short-Term Rental Accommodation Licensing Bylaw with regards to the STRA User Fees; and,
3. That Council direct the Clerk's Division to prepare the necessary bylaw to give effect to the proposed amendments.

Carried

DIRECTION; Building Division staff requested to investigate the option of requiring a full septic system inspection for properties applying to become a Short Term Rental property, as well as an increase of the associated fee, and advise Council accordingly.

- f. Completion of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the Old Shiloh Road Bridge

Report No. OID-2024-0003

Neil McDonald provided details of the report.

The recommendations were requested to be separated and voted on separately.

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0066

Moved By Councillor Dale

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

1. That Council receive Report No. OID-2024-0003 prepared by the Operations & Infrastructure Department dated February 28, 2024 regarding the completion of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) planning study for the Old Shiloh Road Bridge;
2. That Council receive the attached report entitled 'Old Shiloh Road Bridge, Class Environmental Assessment Project File Report', dated February 6, 2024, prepared by Tatham Engineering.

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0067

Moved By Councillor Dale

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

3. That Council accept the recommended alternative to replace the existing single lane bridge with a two-lane bridge and authorize staff to submit the completed MCEA documentation and Notice of Completion to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0068

Moved By Councillor Dale

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

- 4. That Council direct staff to complete an analysis of costs, timelines and implementation considerations of the non-structural options for cultural heritage commemoration of the Old Shiloh Road Bridge including; an arch facade, reuse or relocation of portions of the bridge at an alternative location, or erection of a monument, plaque or art installation; and return to Council with a report on the non-structural commemoration options.

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councillor Dale	x	
Councillor Neeson	x	
Mayor Quirk	x	
Councillor Biggerstaff	x	
Councillor Fellini	x	
Councillor Genge	x	
Regional Councillor Davison	x	

Carried (7 to 0)

- a. Appendix 'H' to Report OID-2024-0003 - Life Cycle Cost Analysis

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0069

Moved By Councillor Dale

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

That Council receive Item 11.1.f.a, Appendix 'H' to Report No. OID-2024-0003, Life Cycle Cost Analysis.

Carried

12. DISPOSITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Dispositions/Proclamations

- a. Municipality of Tweed requesting the License Plate Renewal System be reinstated and allocate the resulting one billion dollars in revenue to address critical Ontario infrastructure needs

(Advisement: referred from February 7th General Information items for discussion)

Moved By Councillor Genge

That Council endorse the Municipality of Tweed's position requesting the License Plate Renewal System be reinstated and

allocate the resulting one billion dollars in revenue to address critical Ontario infrastructure needs.

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RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0070

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Dale

That Council receive correspondence from the Municipality of Tweed requesting the reinstatement of the License Plate Renewal System and allocation of the resulting revenue to address critical Ontario infrastructure needs.

Carried

- b. Prince Edward County in support of the Province expanding the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements

(Advisement: referred from February 7th General Information items for discussion)

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0071

Moved By Councillor Genge

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That Council receive correspondence from Prince Edward County in support of the Province expanding the life span of fire apparatus specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements.

Carried

- c. Township of Greater Madawaska requesting the government to support Bill C-310 and amendments to subsections of the Income Tax Act to increase the amount of tax credits for volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteer services

(Advisement: referred from February 7th General Information items for discussion)

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0072

Moved By Councillor Genge

Seconded By Councillor Neeson

That Council endorse the position of Greater Madawaska requesting the government to support Bill C-310 and amendments to subsections of the Income Tax Act to increase the amount of tax credits for volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteer services.

Carried

- d. Town of Orangeville requesting the Province conduct a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario
- (Advisement: referred from February 7th General Information items for discussion)*

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0073

Moved By Councillor Genge

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

That Council endorse the position of the Town of Orangeville requesting the Province conduct a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario.

Carried

- e. Chippewas of Georgina island First Nation seeking letter of support for addition to Reserve; 969 Lake Drive North

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0074

Moved By Regional Councillor Davison

Seconded By Councillor Neeson

That Council support the application made by the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nations to Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada for a landholding in the Town of Georgina for Addition to Reserve, specifically 969 Lake Drive North, being the formal process of converting these lands to reserve status.

Carried

2. General Information Items

- a. Information Items

Item (iv) removed for discussion - Springwater, occupational health and safety act, definition of 'employer'

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0075

Moved By Councillor Genge

Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That Council receive General Information Item (iv) being correspondence from the Township of Springwater endorsing the position of the City of Greater Sudbury petitioning the Provincial government to amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act to clarify the definition of 'employer' to exclude owners that have

contracted with a contractor for a project, and that it be referred to the Chief Administrative Officer for consideration and return to Council with recommendations.

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0076

Moved By Councillor Fellini
Seconded By Councillor Dale

That Council receive the balance of General Information items (i) to (iii), (v) to (vii) for February 28, 2024.

Carried

b. Briefing Notes

a. Committee Resignation

RESOLUTION NO. C-2024-0076

Moved By Councillor Neeson
Seconded By Regional Councillor Davison

That Council receive the Briefing Note advising of Councillor Dale Genge’s formal resignation from the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture Board as her son is an employee of the Centre, and from the Georgina Appeals Committee as she is of the opinion that Councillors should not serve on a committee that hears appeals concerning Town bylaw matters.

Carried

13. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION None

14. REGIONAL BUSINESS

Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority;

-Annual General Meeting of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority held in January appointed new Chair and Vice-Chair

-'Lake Management Update' report regarding the health of Lake Simcoe, phosphorus loads, invasive species, climate change; Mayor Quirk suggested the report-writer, along with Robert Baldwin, CEO, be invited to present this update to Town Council, along with an overview of the Authority's Strategic Plan and Lake Simcoe Preserve Master Plan

-Conservation Authorities New Regulations in effect as of April 1st

-2023 Priorities Update

15. OTHER BUSINESS None

16. BYLAWS

Moved By Councillor Neeson
 Seconded By Regional Councillor Davison

1. Bylaw Number 2024-0017 (COU-1) to remove Councillor Genge from the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture and Georgina Appeals Committees
 -That the name 'Councillor Dale Genge' be removed as a member of the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture Board. A recorded vote was requested;

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councillor Genge	x	
Councillor Neeson	x	
Regional Councillor Davison	x	
Councillor Biggerstaff	x	
Councillor Dale	x	
Councillor Fellini	x	
Mayor Quirk	x	

Carried (7 to 0)

1. Bylaw Number 2024-0017 (COU-1) to remove Councillor Genge from the Georgina Centre for Arts and Culture and Georgina Appeals Committees
 -That the name 'Councillor Dale Genge' be removed as a member of the Georgina Appeals Committee. A recorded vote was requested;

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Councillor Genge		x
Councillor Neeson	x	
Regional Councillor Davison	x	
Councillor Fellini	x	
Mayor Quirk	x	
Councillor Dale		x
Councillor Biggerstaff		x

Carried (4 to 3)

Moved by Councillor Dale
 Seconded by Regional Councillor Davison

2. Bylaw Number 2024-0018 (RE-3) to amend Bylaw 2023-0076 to establish certain new fees and charges for Community Services.

Carried

17. CLOSED SESSION

The closed session matter was deferred pending item review by all Council members.

18. CONFIRMING BYLAW

Moved By Councillor Fellini
Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That the following bylaw be adopted;

1. Bylaw Number 2024-0019 (COU-2) confirming proceedings of Council on February 28, 2024

Carried

19. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved By Regional Councillor Davison
Seconded By Councillor Biggerstaff

That the meeting adjourn at 1:03pm

Carried

Margaret Quirk, Mayor

Rachel Dillabough, Town Clerk

