

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SESSION SEVEN

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2007

The Seventh Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, April 23, 2007, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present:	Mayor:	Larry O'Connor
	Regional Councillor:	John Grant
	Councillors:	Mike Manchester
		Harold Lodwick
		Anthony Woodruff
		David Marquis
		W.E. Ted Smith

Staff Members present:	Clerk-Administrator George S. Graham (recording the minutes)
	Deputy Clerk-Administrator Thomas G. Gettinby
	Clerk-Stenographer Susan Creighton

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Larry O'Connor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – N I L

III. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(1) 6th meeting – April 9/07

Resolution No. 1-7

MOVED BY John Grant that the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Committee of the Whole as held on April 9, 2007, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

IV. HEARING OF DEPUTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS AS AUTHORIZED BY STATUTE OR COUNCIL

(1) **10:00 a.m.** – Brock Township Public Library Board – Joan Bowness and Karen Enss – future of CEO position, Brock Library

Rossie Baillie, Board Member and Joan Bowness, CEO, attended on behalf of the Brock Township Library Board to discuss the future of the Brock Library CEO position. Ms. Baillie advised that the system has advanced in the past 10 years having three branches and an enthusiastic staff. The current CEO is paid for 50 hours per month, however wishes to retire in the near future. The Board feels the time has come for a full time CEO due to the demands of the system, i.e. grant applications. The Board feels that it can manage the financial impact of a full time CEO in 2007 and in 2008 through the use of reserve funds and provincial funding, however in 2009 assistance will be required. One suggestion to deal with funding this position is for the library portion of the pay equity loan to be forgiven as the annual pay back mirrors the salary amount required for a full time CEO.

Councillor Anthony Woodruff enquired whether a full time CEO would apply for more grant funding and was advised by Ms. Baillie that this would not necessarily be the case, the challenge being that the grants must be identified and are timely to complete.

CEO Joan Bowness advised that the Public Libraries Act requires a CEO in each system. She advised of a number of grant applications that have been applied for and/or obtained noting that the application and reporting process is quite significant. She advised further that with a full time CEO and System Coordinator, the opportunity exists to increase the branch hours for public use.

Councillor Harold Lodwick enquired whether office space would be required for a full time CEO and was advised by Ms. Bowness that this would not be the case. Currently the library needs space for archival purposes and has spoken with the Clerk-Administrator regarding use of the town hall for this purpose.

Councillor Lodwick enquired as to the salary of a full time CEO and was advised that a rough calculation would be \$60,000.00 annually. Councillor Lodwick enquired whether it would be feasible to retain a part time CEO and have municipal staff apply for grants and was advised by Ms. Bowness that grant applications are only one part of a CEO's job and of the need to fully understand a department in order to complete a successful grant application, although the assistance of the municipality is required by times to complete grant applications.

Councillor W.E. Ted Smith requested some background on the pay equity loan referenced and was advised that in 2004 the Library went through the pay equity process and as the result it was determined that library staff, past, present and deceased were owed back pay to 1991. This process resulted in a huge debt to the library which is being paid back to the municipality over 10 years.

Regional Councillor John Grant enquired when this position would be advertised and it is anticipated that the full time position would commence following Labour Day Weekend, with wages in 2007 being covered as the result of the library's 2006 surplus position. 2/3rds of the 2006 Literacy Grant is being carried forward in addition to provincial funding for small libraries to fund the position in 2008.

Regional Councillor Grant enquired as to the final year for the pay equity loan and was advised 2013 or 2014.

Mayor Larry O'Connor enquired whether the pay equity material is available to staff and was advised by Mrs. Bowness that it can be shared with municipal staff, however is not available in its entirety to the public.

Resolution No. 2-7

MOVED BY Anthony Woodruff that the request of the Brock Township Public Library Board for a full time CEO be referred to staff for report.

MOTION CARRIED

- (2) 10:10 a.m. – Sunderland Lions Club, Dale St. John – request for funding for Sunderland Medical Centre

Sunderland Lions Members Dale St. John, Brian Manorek, Keith Rynard and Bill Clayton attended the meeting. Acting as spokesperson, Mr. St. John provided a brief history of the Sunderland Medical Centre advising of the building's construction in 1977, followed by the Lions Club taking over management of same in 1998 and a new addition in 1999. Doctor recruitment has and continues to be a challenge.

Lion Brian Manorek delivered to the committee, the Sunderland-Brock Health Centre Financial Statement for 2006, advising that the \$20,000.00 grant from the municipality in 2006 was used for doctor recruitment and renovations. They are currently looking to replace the one doctor who is leaving in June to go back to school and are reviewing some options with the Port Perry Medical Associates in this regard. They are also looking at the feasibility of hiring a nurse to assist at the medical centre which could in turn help in attracting doctors. Mr. Manorek pointed out that the outstanding balance owed to the municipality has been paid off in its entirety.

Lion Dale St. John advised that mention has been made for a emergency fund for the medical centre and reiterated the need for a nurse to assist the doctors and nurse practitioner. He mentioned the competition faced in recruiting doctors and that they are in a sense competing with the Port Perry Medical Associates.

Lion Bill Clayton encouraged members of council to attend the Recruitment Task Force Meetings held monthly in Port Perry, which in 5 years time, he had only seen one member of council attend indicating to him a lack of recruitment support from the municipal council.

Regional Councillor John Grant enquired whether any opportunities exist to fill the vacancy created when the doctor leaves the Sunderland Medical Centre in June to pursue his education and was advised that at the current time there is no immediate interest. Regional Councillor Grant enquired whether the computer system previously installed to link the Sunderland Medical Centre to Lakeridge Health is being fully utilized and was advised it is one of the Centre's main assets and is very well utilized.

Regional Councillor Grant enquired of any upcoming capital expenditures which will be required at the medical centre within the next 3-5 years and was advised that the windows in the original portion of the building require replacement in addition to enhancement of the air conditioning in the dental area. Generally speaking, the facility is in good shape.

Councillor Anthony Woodruff enquired as to the amount being requested by the Lions Club for the Medical Centre and was advised \$20,000.00, although it is difficult to know how much it will take to attract a full time doctor and nurse which in turn could assist in attracting a full time doctor at the centre. Councillor Woodruff enquired who owns the facility and was advised it is owned by the municipality and leased to the Lions Club.

Councillor Mike Manchester enquired when the rents in the building were last adjusted and was advised in January 2007 they were increased by approximately 3%. Councillor Manchester enquired whether the Lions are able to take advantage of any provincial funding for the medical centre and was advised they work through the Port Perry Medical Associates but would appreciate being apprised of any funding opportunities

Councillor Harold Lodwick enquired as to how the recruitment funds were dispersed and whether the Lions participate in recruitment tours to which Mr. Manorek advised that an initial commitment of \$5,000.00 was paid to the doctor followed by \$1,000.00 for the next four years. The balance of the funds were used for articles in medical journals. Councillor Lodwick enquired whether funds would be better donated to the Port Perry Medical Associates recruitment efforts and let them promote the area to which Mr. St. John advised that the Lions work with the Associates, but look after recruitment. Councillor Lodwick enquired as to the number of patients at the medical centre and was advised an answer to this question cannot be provided at this time, however the centre is considered a walk in clinic by appointment.

Councillor David Marquis enquired what is required to obtain a doctor and was advised that incentives include looking after moving/set up expenses.

Councillor W.E. Ted Smith enquired whether the closing balance on the financial statement provided is \$35,416.92 or this amount less \$21,471.20 (the amount paid to the municipality) and was advised the balance is approximately \$13,945.72. Councillor Smith enquired how the rents in the Sunderland Medical Centre compare to other areas and was advised they are well below areas to the south.

Councillor Harold Lodwick enquired whether there has been concern expressed with respect to the Medical Centres competing with the CHC and was advised by Mr. St. John that the issue has been raised but they feel they can work cooperatively to the benefit of the municipality. Mayor Larry O'Connor advised he has offered to speak with the Club in this regard noting further that a CHC doctor receives a salary where a doctor in a medical centre bills OHIP.

Regional Councillor John Grant suggested that funding might be available through Trillium or the South Lake Community Futures Development Corporation and that the Club should identify projects and advise municipal staff in order to determine whether an application would be feasible.

Resolution No. 3-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the request of the Sunderland Lions Club for support of the Sunderland Medical Centre be referred for budget consideration.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 4-7

MOVED BY Harold Lodwick that we break for a 5 minute recess at 10:58 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Larry O'Connor reconvened the meeting at 11:07 a.m. with the same members of committee and staff in attendance.

V. PETITIONS – N I LVI. COMMUNICATIONS SUBMITTED TO COUNCILGroup I – Receive & File

- 703 Durham Region Office of the C.A.O. – enclosing 2006 Durham Region Accessibility Report and 2007 Accessibility Plan
- 706 Durham Clerk's Department – By-law #21-2007
- 707 Canada/Ontario/Daniels – *Affordable Homeownership Project Officially Opens in Toronto*
- 713 Rouge Valley Health System – Redevelopment Update
- 715 Miss Petite Durham Region 2007 – offer to attend local events and fundraisers
- 717 Ministry of Tourism – *Ontario Tourism Facts & Figures – Winter 2006*
- 719 Department of Social Services to Minister of Health – Lakeridge Health Corporation, Durham Region
- 722 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock – Devolin Column – *Remembering Vimy Ridge*
- 728 AMO – Member Communication – Alert re: *Federal Public Transit Capital Trust Funds*
- 729 AMO – Member Communication – Alert re: *AMO Report to Members on March 2007 Board Meeting*
- 730 AMO – Nomination to AMO Board of Directors – New Procedures
- 731 Public Sector Digest – Spring Newswire
- 732 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – invitation to Central Ontario Municipal Conference
- 733 Infrastructure Ontario – infrastructure development solutions
- 736 Town of Ajax to Prime Minister Stephen Harper – Greater Toronto Airports Authority Rent Charges
- 742 Durham Region – *Council Highlights – March 28, 2007*
- 745 Durham Clerk's Department – Durham Region Transit Service in the Townships of Brock, Scugog and Uxbridge – Enhanced Transit Service for the Northern Municipalities
- 750 Ministry of Transportation – update on 407 East Environmental Assessment (EA) Study
- 752 Municipality of Clarington – Photo Radar System
- 755 Kawartha Conservation – *Update on Conservation – Spring 2007*

- 756 Ministry of Labour – News Release – *Workplace Safety Strategy Preventing Injuries and Saving Money*

Resolution No. 5-7

MOVED BY Mike Manchester that communications no. 703, 706, 707, 713, 715, 717, 719, 722, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 736, 742, 745, 750, 752, 755 and 756 be received for the information of the Committee of the Whole and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

Group III – Communications Submitted for Action

- 711 Federation of Canadian Municipalities – New Funding Opportunity for Energy and Transportation Projects
- 718 Operation Hospital Watch Committee - invitation to upcoming North Durham Health Care Forum
- 725 Kawartha Conservation – Source Water Protection Update, Source Protection Committee & Municipal Representation

Resolution No. 6-7

MOVED BY Harold Lodwick that Brock Committee of the Whole receive communications 711, 718 and 725 for information and file.

MOTION CARRIED

- 748 T.G. Gettinby – Report 2007-CofW-03 – Bill 130, *Municipal Statute Law Amendment Act, 2006*

Resolution No. 7-7

MOVED BY Mike Manchester that the Committee of the Whole receive report 2007-COQ-03 for information and that staff be authorized to prepare any required amendments to the municipality's policies, procedures and by-law to achieve conformity with the revised Municipal Act, as per communication # 748.

MOTION CARRIED

- 754 Toronto Residents In Partnership – request for proclamation of June as Elder Abuse Month

Resolution No. 8-7

MOVED BY Harold Lodwick that Brock Committee of the Whole proclaim June as Elder Abuse Month, reference communication # 754.

MOTION CARRIED

VII. GENERAL ITEMS AND ENQUIRIES

- (1) Mayor Larry O'Connor – DNPHC Application to Expand Gillespie Gardens

Resolution No. 9-7

MOVED BY John Grant that Brock Township Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to notify Durham Region Non-Profit Housing that it is the wish of the municipality to discuss opportunities to participate, and the feasibility to provide assistance for an addition to Gillespie Gardens.

MOTION CARRIED

(2) Mayor Larry O'Connor – Potential Site for CHC

Mayor Larry O'Connor advised that it has been determined that the former Cannington Chrysler location could be a potential site for the new CHC. The property is currently part of the tax registration process, however, there is some question as to whether the property has any contamination issues and in this light he is requesting input from the committee as to whether the state of contamination, if any, be determined by undertaking a Phase 2 EA.

Resolution No. 10-7

MOVED BY Anthony Woodruff that the Committee of the Whole direct staff to conduct a Phase 2 Environmental Assessment Study at the old Cannington Chrysler building.

There was a discussion of the committee with concerns being raised as to the extent of possible contamination, the cost to undertake the Phase 2 EA when the property is not owned by the municipality, and who would be responsible for the costs of the EA. Councillor Harold Lodwick commented it was his understanding that the municipality was not to be the owner of the CHC property and in light of setting a dangerous precedent in this regard, advised he cannot support the motion.

The Clerk-Administrator explained to the members of the Committee the tax sale process and that the municipality has no legal right to enter upon the property to undertake any testing until they own the property. The cost to undertake an EA on the property would be the responsibility of the property owner and could not be included as part of the tax registration process.

Councillor David Marquis suggested that if the CHC is serious about this location, that they upfront the monies to undertake an EA.

Councillor Anthony Woodruff requested clarification as to whether or not the monies expended for an EA could be added to property costs and was advised by the Clerk-Administrator that the expenditure could not form part of the tax registration process

Resolution No. 11-7

MOVED BY John Grant that Resolution No. 10-7 be tabled.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 10-7

MOVED BY Anthony Woodruff that the Committee of the Whole direct staff to conduct a Phase 2 Environmental Assessment Study at the old Cannington Chrysler building.

MOTION TABLED

(3) Councillor Anthony Woodruff – Cannington Town Hall

Councillor Anthony Woodruff referenced the tour of the Cannington Town Hall held on April 16, following the council meeting. He advised of the need to involve the community in retaining this important community landmark.

(4) Councillor Harold Lodwick – Outstanding Item from March 26/07 CW Meeting

Councillor Harold Lodwick enquired whether the signage requested by Cria Pettingill Greenspoon at the March 26, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting has been installed and was advised by Councillor Smith that it has.

In referencing Report 2007-CofW-03 (communication 748) as submitted by the Deputy Clerk-Administrator, Councillor Lodwick enquired whether the municipality's ability to set speed limits up to 100 kph and not just in increments of 10 kph with a default speed of 80 kph on rural roads and 50 kph in urban areas if signs are not posted is something new and was advised by the Clerk-Administrator that the increment issue is new and offers

flexibility, but enforcement is the issue when speed limits become too low. It was further clarified that while limits are new, default speeds are not.

(5) Councillor Mike Manchester – Illegal Dumping on Concession 5 (T)

Councillor Mike Manchester enquired as to the possibility of the municipality erecting cement barricades to prevent illegal dumping and was advised that the property in question is private property (part of the Seeburn lands) who would be responsible for the cleanup and barricade of the property. If they refuse to clean up the existing debris, the municipality could seek cleanup through the Health Department or property standards, and that staff will follow-up in this regard

(6) Regional Councillor John Grant – Doctor Recruitment Task Force Meetings

Regional Councillor John Grant requested that council receive notice of the Doctor Recruitment Task Force meetings being held in Port Perry and was advised that Councillors Smith and Marquis will be apprised of the meeting dates and share the information with council. Regional Councillor Grant advised that to date he has not received notice of these meetings.

(7) Mayor Larry O'Connor – Lifestyle Show and Earth Day

Mayor Larry O'Connor thanked members of the committee for their attendance at the recent Lifestyle Show held in Beaverton this past weekend. He further noted the efforts of the community picking up garbage along the roadsides, especially in the Beaverton area as part of Earth Day celebrations.

(8) Public Questions and Clarification

There were no public questions for clarification.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 12-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that we do now adjourn at 11:50 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY