

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SESSION THIRTEEN

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2007

The Thirteenth Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, June 25, 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

Regional Councillor John Grant advised that although he is a member of the Beaverton Conservation Club and the Historical Society, he has no pecuniary interest. Councillors Lodwick and Manchester also declared their membership in the Beaverton Historical Society.

III. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(1) 12th meeting – June 11/07

Resolution No. 1-13

MOVED BY John Grant that the minutes of the 12th meeting of the Committee of the Whole as held on June 11, 2007, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

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

10:00 a.m. – Durham Youth Housing and Support Services, Mary Dunlop, Executive Director – presentation re: plans for Youth Shelter in Durham Region

Ms. Mary Dunlop, Executive Director of Durham Youth Housing and Support Services attended before the Committee to make a presentation respecting plans for a youth shelter in Durham Region. Her presentation is as follows:

Today's Objectives

- Raise awareness of youth homelessness in Durham Region
- Provide background to the establishment of Durham Youth Housing and Support Services (DYHSS)
- Provide an overview of work completed to date
- Outline the Board's plans for 2007
- Seek your support

Homelessness – The Reality

- Today in Durham Region there are homeless youth

- The factors causing young people to become homeless are related to troubled childhood experiences and family conflict
- These negative experiences often stem from strained relationships with parents or guardians, physical and sexual abuse, parental neglect, inadequate foster care, personal or parental addictions and mental health problems.
- Research on homeless youth has found that services play a key role in helping this vulnerable group develop a stable lifestyle as well as transition off the streets.
- The common denominator among young people who have no fixed address is premature departure from the home or family
- The family of origin is characterized by a great deal of instability and by the shortcomings of normally protective units that have become inadequate or destructive
- Young people who leave their families do so in a context in which there is no other choice
- A long period with no fixed address can lead to new problems that arise from the methods used to survive such as drug dealing, prostitution, theft and criminalization

Community Youth Housing – 2006

- Through a recent informal survey we know that the following communities provide facilities and services to homeless youth:
 - Peel – 3 shelters, 68 beds, 95% occupancy, 600 youth with as many turned away
 - York – 2 facilities, 20 beds
 - Hamilton – 2 facilities, 35 beds, 85% occupancy
 - Halton – 1 facility, 10 beds
 - Peterborough – 1 facility, 39 beds
 - Kingston – 8 beds (15 in winter), constantly filled
- Durham Region, which has the highest percentage of youth population in Ontario, does not have a facility for homeless youth.
- In Durham Region during 2006, youth aged 16-24 were served by three adult homeless shelters:
 - Muslim Welfare Centre – 58 young women; total of 1,518 bed nights
 - YWCA Durham – 120 young women; total of 2,871 bed nights
 - Cornerstone Community Association – 127 young men; total of 1,774 bed nights
- Total youth at adult shelters – 305; total of 6,163 bed nights
- Adult shelters do their best to help youth, but they do not provide services directed to the specific needs of youth

Background to DYHSS

- Youth emergency shelter closes – Winter 2003
- Youth Homelessness Partnering Solutions Forum hosted by Regional Municipality of Durham, Social Services Department – June 2003
- Committee individuals and groups start meeting to develop plans to address the lack of facilities for at risk and homeless youth – Fall 2003
- Temporary “Out of the Cold, Into the Warmth” program – 2004
- Durham Youth Housing and Support Services established
 - Board development/strategic planning – 2005
 - Pre-development/feasibility study – 2006

List of 2007-2008 Board of Directors and their knowledge/skills/experience – i.e. business management, law, social services, finance, marketing and communications, public service, directorship and governance, education, community justice and policing and voluntary community leadership and fundraising.

Achievements to date

- Mission, Vision, Values developed
- Bylaws approved, Incorporation achieved and Registered Charitable Status obtained
- Strategic Business Plan completed

- Best Practices Guidelines for Operations, Personnel Policies and Governance Procedures completed
- Facility Pre-development/Feasibility Study completed
- Communications and Public Engagement Strategy completed
- Web Site developed (Board and Youth sites)
- Executive Director hired

Our Vision

- All youth have a place to call home where they feel welcome, accepted and valued; and where youth are equal as partners in creating a better community

Our Mission

- To address the needs of at risk and homeless youth in Durham Region by working with youth and other community partners to provide opportunities for youth that will support their success

Our Values

- We are accountable to our youth clients, community, and funders
- We respect youth
- We embrace and celebrate diversity
- We promote accessible programs and services
- We respect and value individual creativity, talents and experience
- We facilitate and promote community partnerships
- We are committed to long-term, holistic solutions

Our Goals

- Establish a 10-bed emergency shelter for youth, ages 16-24 in 2007
- Establish 50 beds of transitional housing and 10 beds of supportive housing for youth
- To become the link between youth in need and the continuum of support services in Durham Region, and
- Become an employer of choice in Durham Region for those committed to working with youth in need

Our Approach to Service Delivery

- Focus on the real needs of at-risk and homeless youth through stakeholder engagement and sound strategic planning
- Develop strong, cooperative, successful public and private partnerships rather than duplicating existing services
- Incorporate best practices into our service delivery plan while also providing support to those agencies already serving youth through:
 - A consolidated, holistic approach to housing and support services for youth; and
 - Providing additional financial resources through purchase of service arrangements

Our Services

Addiction counseling

Safe sex counseling

Pregnancy counseling

Parenting education

Communication skills education

Cognitive skills training

Housing search advocacy

Housing search assistance

Stress management education

Anger management education

Mental health counseling

Family reconnection

Nursing services

Physician services

Nutrition education

Hygiene education

Literacy education

School re-entry

Life skills education

Job skills

Job readiness education

Job search assistance

Our (Potential) Service Delivery Partners

Durham Children's Aid Society

Vocational Pathways

Durham Mental Health Services

FASD Committee Durham

Ajax Youth Centre

The Refuge

YWCA Durham

North House

John Howard Society
 North Durham Social Development Council
 Durham Regional Police Services
 Durham College
 University of Ontario Institute of Technology

United Ways
 Whitby Mental Health Centre
 Cornerstone Community Assoc.
 Canadian Mental Health Assoc.
 Enterphase Child & Family
 Services

Supporters & Community Partners

- Meeting the needs of at-risk and homeless youth in Durham Region is a community challenge that will require a community response
- A key priority in our strategic plan is to engage and gain the support of individuals and organizations across Durham Region, including: Foundations, Corporations, Trade Associations, Service Clubs, Faith Communities and local businesses.

2007 Work Plan

- Secure funding from foundations and the community
- Obtain per diem funding agreement with Region
- Conduct volunteer recruitment
- Secure service agreements with service delivery partners
- Open 10-bed shelter with supporting services
 - Implement best practices and hostel standards
 - Provide appropriate supervision and support
- Build a positive image and track record in the community

Financial Plan – 2007-2008 Operating Budget for Interim 10-Bed Facility

Income

Region of Durham	\$131,235
Trillium Foundation	75,000
Fundraising	<u>134,353</u>
	\$340,588

Expenditures

Staffing	\$227,951
Organizational Operations	13,600
Program/Building Operations	66,037
Capital	<u>33,000</u>
	\$340,588

List of Contacts and Website

Councillor Anthony Woodruff enquired how youth from Brock would access a shelter in the south due to a lack of transportation and was advised by Ms. Dunlop that DYHSS is looking at the possibility of using volunteers to pick-up youth as well as investigating the possibilities of residents in small communities opening their homes to these youth. She noted there is some public transportation available.

Regional Councillor John Grant enquired whether DYHSS envisions the use of satellite building i.e. churches as part of the 70 beds and was advised that 50 beds will need to be in one location and be designed similar to a university residence with a common area for 5 private bedrooms. It is their intent to look at statistics showing where the youth come from to determine any possible outlying housing. Ms. Dunlop noted that there are residents from North Durham on their board who are aware of these issues.

Regional Councillor Grant commented on the existing GO services and DRT's expansion plans. He commented further of a instance in Beaverton whereby should a local homeless youth be transplanted to South Durham, he would leave his source of income, to which Ms. Dunlop advised that this is a challenge, with one of their goals being to keep youth in school.

Councillor Mike Manchester enquired what indicators are used to determine the numbers of homeless youth in Durham Region and was advised by Ms. Dunlop that DYHSS is aware of 305 youth who have used shelters, but they do not know how many went

elsewhere. DYHSS will look at ARK statistics to try and get a better idea of how many homeless youth there might possibly be in Durham Region.

Councillor W.E. Ted Smith commented that volunteer help often burns out and enquired what municipal politicians can do to support this much needed service? Ms. Dunlop advised of the need to constantly lobby the provincial government to increase their funding in that the \$40.00 per day per youth does not fund the actual cost of \$75.00 per day.

Mayor Larry O'Connor thanked Ms. Dunlop for attending to make her presentation.

V. PETITIONS – N I L

VI. COMMUNICATIONS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

Group I – Receive & File

- 1198 GTA/905 Healthcare Alliance – GTA/905 Healthcare Alliance Welcomes Ontario PC Platform Commitment to Address Hospital Funding Gap
- 1199 Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Members' Advisory – *Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Chooses New President, Table Officers*
- 1206 AMO – Member Communication – Alert re: *Province Announces \$20M Municipal Eco-Challenge Fund*
- 1207 Town of East Gwillimbury - resolution re: removal of mercury switches/regulate salvage yards
- 1208 Municipality of Brockton - resolution re: construction of the Bruce-Milton power corridor
- 1212 Ministry of Transportation – 407 East Environmental Assessment (EA) Study – Notice for Public Information Centres (PICs) #3 – Technically Recommended Route
- 1214 Office of the Premier - News Release – *McGuinty Government Investing in Green Communities*
- 1215 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock - *Devolin Announces Celebrate Canada Funding for Galway-Cavendish and Harvey Township*
- 1216 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock - *Devolin Announces Celebrate Canada Funding for Brock Township*
- 1217 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock *Devolin Announces Celebrate Canada Funding for Haliburton County*
- 1218 Barry Devolin, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock - *Devolin Announces Celebrate Canada Funding for Kawartha Lakes*
- 1219 Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade – *The Bulletin* – June 13, 2007
- 1228 Durham Regional Police Services Board – *Highlights* – June 11/07

Mayor O'Connor suggested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to the new police chief.

- 1232 Town of Caledon – enclosing *2006 Review: Economic Development Communications*
- 1240 AMO – Alert re: *Rapid Transit Action Plan for the Greater Toronto Area and Hamilton*

- 1241 Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Corporation – *OTMPC Water Cooler* – June 18/07

Resolution No. 2-13

MOVED BY Mike Manchester that communications no. 1198, 1199, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1212, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1228, 1232, 1240 and 1241 be received for the information of the Committee of the Whole and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

Group II – Communications Submitted for Action

- 1203 Durham Works Department – Brock Township Landfill – Letter dated May 18, 2007

Councillor David Marquis advised he would speak to the individual having more detailed information with respect to the Brock landfill, asking them to contact Durham Region.

- 1205 AMO – Ministry Delegations at Conference

- 1239 Ministry of the Environment – Important Information from the Ministry of the Environment: Source Protection Program Proposals 2007/2008

Resolution No. 3-13

MOVED BY Harold Lodwick that Brock Committee of the Whole receive communications 1203, 1205 and 1239 for information and file.

MOTION CARRIED

- 1211 LSRCA – Nominations for LSRCA Conservation Awards

Resolution No. 4-13

MOVED BY John Grant that the Committee of the Whole recommend the nomination of the Beaverton & District Conservation Club for a Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Conservation Aware, reference communication 1211.

MOTION CARRIED

VII. GENERAL ITEMS AND ENQUIRIES

- (1) Councillor Anthony Woodruff – Brock Landfill

Councillor Anthony Woodruff requested an update with respect to a previous request for a tour of the Brock landfill by the Brock Council and was advised by Mayor O'Connor that the Region of Durham Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. Cliff Curtis is willing to arrange such a tour.

- (2) Councillor David Marquis – Paper Fibre Sludge

Councillor David Marquis advised he has taken the liberty of emailing Mr. Keith West of the MOE with respect to the stockpiles of paper fibre sludge in Brock Township outlining to Mr. West the municipality's concerns and the lack of enforcement in this regard. He is hopeful a response will be received.

- (3) Councillor W.E. Ted Smith – Paper Fibre Sludge

Councillor W.E. Ted Smith advised he has been approached by a resident living nearby a stockpile of sludge, said resident having enquired whether sludge can be controlled through the municipal zoning by-law. Mayor O'Connor advised he has spoken with the same resident who he advised to write to the MOE with their concerns with the municipality being copied.

(4) Councillor Harold Lodwick – Tour of Brock Industrial Businesses

Councillor Harold Lodwick reiterated a comment made by some of the industries visited during the recent tour with respect to the impact of the high cost of fuel to deliver product to their market area, and enquired whether some action could be taken, possibly in the form of a fuel rebate in an attempt to attract business to locate in rural areas. He was advised by Mayor O'Connor that the concerns raised during this tour will be addressed by Regional Staff.

(5) Councillor Harold Lodwick – Canada Day Festivities

Councillor Harold Lodwick advised that the Beaverton Canada Day parade will assemble at 12 noon at the Beaverton Arena. He invited members of council to attend, schedule permitting.

(6) Councillor Mike Manchester – Beaverton 125 Committee Update

Councillor Mike Manchester advised that members of the Beaverton 125 Committee recently met with the creator of the Mel Lastman Toronto Moose, and that the committee is considering having this same artist create a beaver in recognition of Beaverton's 125 Anniversary celebrations.

(7) Mayor Larry O'Connor – Meeting – June 29, 2007 – Derryville Hall

Mayor Larry O'Connor invited members of the committee as well as anyone else who might be interested in attending a meeting he has arranged for 10:00 a.m. on June 29, 2007 at the Derryville Hall to discuss issues of vandalism being experienced by community groups. Representation from the Durham Police will be in attendance.

(8) Mayor Larry O'Connor – Outstanding Item

Mayor Larry O'Connor advised that Resolution No. 10-7 from the April 23, 2007 Committee of the Whole outstanding items list can be removed from the list.

Resolution No. 5-13

MOVED BY John Grant that Resolution No. 10-7 dated April 23, 2007 be lifted from the table and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

(9) Public Questions and Clarification

There were no public questions for clarification.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 6-13

MOVED BY David Marquis that we do now adjourn at 10:43 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY