The Corporation of the Town of Ajax

# COUNCIL

Monday April 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, Town Hall 65 Harwood Avenue South



# **AGENDA**

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
- 3. Adoption of Minutes
  - 3.1 Regular Meeting March 28, 2011
- 4. Delegation and Petitions / Public Hearings
  - 4.1 Presentation Road Watch 2011 Update

- Melville D'Mello, Chair of Road Watch Committee

4.2 Presentation Ajax Pickering Board of Trade Update

- Donna McFarlane, President

4.3 Presentation Ajax Green Living Days

- Tracey Chala, Sustainability Coordinator

- 5. Correspondence
- 6. Reports

6.1	Community	Affairs &	Planning	Committee	Report	None
-----	-----------	-----------	----------	-----------	--------	------

6.2 General Government Committee Report April 7, 2011

(circulated separately)

6.3 Advisory Committee Reports January / February, 2011

6.4 Departmental Reports None

6.5 Ajax Public Library Board Report April 11, 2011

- 7. Regional Councillors' Reports
  - 7.1 Regional Councillor S. Collier
  - 7.2 Regional Councillor C. Jordan
- 8. Business Arising From Notice of Motion

None

9. By-Laws

35-2011	Amendment to Municipal Street Addressing By-law
36-2011	Appointment of Law Enforcement Officers – 613 Kingston Road West
37-2011	Appointments to Downtown Business Improvement Area Board of Management

- 10. Notice of Motion
- 11. Other Business
- 12. Question Period
- 13. New Business, Notices and Announcements
- 14. Confirming By-Law 38-2011
- 15. Adjournment

# TOWN OF AJAX REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and Members of Council

FROM:

M. de Rond, Clerk

DATE:

April 11, 2011

SUBJECT:

Items of Correspondence



The following items of correspondence are attached for Council's action

a) Municipality of Clarington: Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation Support

That the resolution of the Municipality of Clarington regarding support for the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation be endorsed.

The following items of correspondence are attached for Council's information:

- i) Ministry of Infrastructure: Ontario's 10 Year Infrastructure Plan
- ii) Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration: Lincoln Alexander Award 2011
- iii) Region of Durham: Notice of Commencement of Stage One of the Durham Highway 2
  Bus Rapid Transit Project

M. de Rond Clerk

MdR/lb



# RECEIVED TOWN OF AJAX

11 MAR 31 P12:41

March 29, 2011

Kim Gavine, Executive Director Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation 13990 Dufferin St. North King City, ON L7B 1B3

Dear Ms. Gavine:

RE:

DELEGATION OF KIM GAVINE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OAK RIDGES

MORAINE FOUNDATION, REQUESTING LETTER OF SUPPORT

FILE NO.: E05.GE

Please be advised that, at the March 28, 2011 Council meeting, Council passed the following:

"WHEREAS the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation (ORMF) is a non-regulatory governing body meant to complement the goals of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and has undertaken stewardship, education, research, land securement and trail projects on behalf of the province and the municipalities of the Greater Toronto Area;

WHEREAS the ORMF has provided in excess of \$14 million in grants and leveraged, in collaboration with Moraine partners, an additional \$35.8 in funding for 177 projects;

WHEREAS the ORMF has provided grants of \$ 1.3 million towards the acquisition of 12 properties in Clarington around Enniskillen, the Long Sault Conservation Area and the Ganaraska Forest;

WHEREAS the ORMF provided grants for 34 stewardship projects in Clarington;

WHEREAS the ORMF has made an application to the Province of Ontario for \$11 million in funding for policy and monitoring (\$4 million), land restoration (\$3 million), land securement (\$2 million), and outreach and education (\$2 million) until the review of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan in 2015.

WHEREAS the ORMF has been a valuable component of implementing the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and it provides an independent look at the actions of the Province and the municipalities across the Moraine and undertakes strategic actions to implement the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Clarington fully supports the application of the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation to the Province of Ontario for \$11 million of funding for policy and monitoring, land restoration, land securement, and education and outreach;

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Regional Municipality of Durham, Municipalities in Durham Region and MPP John O'Toole."

Yours Truly,

C. Anné Greentree, B.A., CMO

Deputy Clerk

# CAG/jeg

- c. J. O'Toole, M.P.P.
  - P. Madill, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of Durham
  - K. Coates, Municipal Clerk, Township of Scugog
  - S. Kranc, City Clerk, City of Oshawa
  - M. de Rond, Municipal Clerk, Town of Ajax
  - D. Shields, Municipal Clerk, City of Pickering
  - T. Gettinby, Municipal Clerk, Township of Brock
  - D. Leroux, Municipal Clerk, Township of Uxbridge
  - D. Wilcox, Municipal Clerk, Town of Whitby
  - D. Crome, Director of Planning Services

Ministry of Infrastructure

Office of the Minister

5th Floor, Mowat Block 900 Bay Street Toronto ON M7A 1C2 Tel: 416 325-5270 Fax: 416 325-8860

www.ontario.ca/infrastructure

Ministère de l'Infrastructure

Bureau du ministre

5e étage, édifice Mowat 900, rue Bay Toronto (Ontario) M7A 1C2 Tél.: 416 325-5270

Téléc : 416 325-8860

www.ontario.ca/infrastructure



March 25, 2011

His Worship Steve Parish Mayor Town of Ajax martin.derond@townofajax.com

# Dear Mayor Parish:

This letter is to update you on the progress of the Government of Ontario's 10-year infrastructure plan. As you know, in March 2010, the government committed to a 10-year infrastructure plan, which we plan on releasing later this year.

As we set out to craft the plan, the Ministry of Infrastructure embarked on a series of province-wide consultations, in which the public was invited to deliver oral and written submissions. So far, more than 200 submissions have been received and reviewed by my ministry.

That's why, at this point in the process, I felt it important to contact you today and provide an update on the approach we're taking as we move forward in developing the plan.

# **Ontario's Infrastructure History**

A good system of public infrastructure, we can all agree, takes a long time to build and requires a long-term commitment by government. [See Figure 1] As you can see, a tremendous level of infrastructure investments occurred in the 1950s and the 1960s. The results are still with us today. That's when we started to build the 400-series highways. That's when the Toronto subway system was built. That's when we laid the foundations of our present-day system of community colleges. Subsequently, from the 1970s until the millennium celebrations, infrastructure investments were drastically reduced.

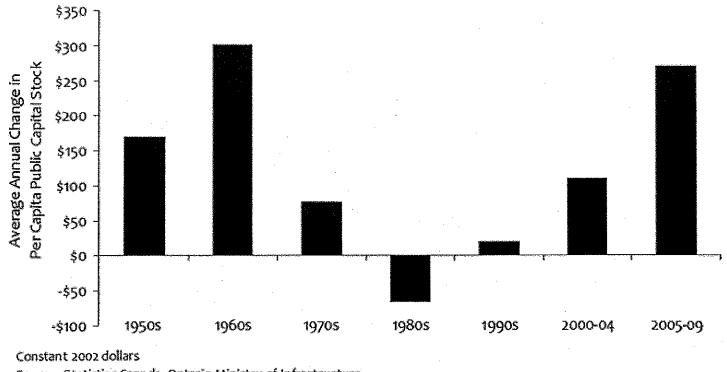


Figure 1: Ontario has entered an Era of Infrastructure Renewal

Source: Statistics Canada, Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure

You will be aware that, in 2005, the Government of Ontario embarked on an ambitious plan - ReNew Ontario - which delivered over \$30 billion in much needed infrastructure investments across all sectors. Originally set out as a five-year vision, it was delivered in four years and helped expand and rebuild public infrastructure in communities across the province.

For the past two years, Ontario, Canada, and most of the world have been coping with the greatest global economic downturn since the Great Depression. In conjunction with our partners at the federal and local levels, we have combined our efforts to create jobs and stimulate the economy, and have done so through an unprecedented infrastructure stimulus investment.

What we have accomplished together is nothing short of remarkable. Nearly 10,000 stimulus projects have been approved across Ontario in the last two years. These projects are helping to create and support over 70,000 jobs in Ontario and will generate a series of legacy projects across the province.

#### Your Infrastructure Priorities

Ontario's partnership with municipal governments has resulted in dramatic capital investment over the course of the last few years. [See Figure 2]

3,000 Stimulus ReNew Ontario 2,500 2,000 (\$ Millions) 1,500 1,000 500 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 Plan Actual Actual Actual Actual Actual Actual Actual Year

Figure 2: Provincial Investments in Municipal and Local Infrastructure

Sources: Public Accounts and MOI estimates.

Since 2003, we've built or repaired 700 bridges and over 5,500 km of roads (roughly equivalent to driving from Ottawa to Toronto and back six times). We've invested nearly \$11 billion in public transit so that communities across Ontario can undertake the most significant and extensive expansions in local public transit in a generation. Together we have built, renovated or expanded 13 courthouses; built 400 new schools, with 100 more underway; and committed almost \$1.8 billion in grants for municipal water and wastewater infrastructure.

Along with our government's ongoing municipal uploading, the fiscal impact for municipalities has indeed been dramatic. More specifically, municipal uploads will result in a net benefit of \$1.5 billion to municipalities by 2018. As a former Regional Chair and Mayor of Ottawa, I understand the pressures that municipal leaders face and recognize that ongoing funding from the Government of Ontario has gone a long way towards assisting local community planning.

#### Vision for the 10-Year Infrastructure Plan

The 10-year plan consultations that I mentioned earlier have highlighted for us the continued demand for public infrastructure. All sectors of the economy are in need of public infrastructure to meet the significant demographic and economic changes that are underway. Our population is growing. Our population is aging.

Our population is increasingly diverse. These changes will result in demand for more transit, better roads, and more effective health care infrastructure, among other public infrastructure demands.

As we set out to craft a vision for the next 10 years, the Ministry of Infrastructure is conscious of the need to present a framework that is fiscally responsible and allows for medium-term flexibility, while still setting a clear course for infrastructure investment.

Fiscal responsibility has always been the core lens through which this government has operated. In the three years prior to the onset of the recession, the provincial government posted three consecutive balanced budgets – at a time when ReNew Ontario was investing in communities across the province. At this time, with most comparative jurisdictions facing similar deficit levels, we cannot proceed without regard for the fundamental fiscal realities.

Medium-term flexibility is also a key factor as we seek to lay out a vision for the future. The Government of Ontario is obligated to present a plan that continues to make prudent assumptions about future economic growth. In our view, there exists a balancing point between providing stable funding and maintaining flexibility – and this is an area where we are devoting significant consideration.

Given these realities, we will prioritize our investments over the next 10 years according to key principles: matching our infrastructure to economic and demographic changes; building the core economic infrastructure that lays the foundation for Ontario's competitiveness and potential for growth; and getting better value through improved management of our assets. To be clear, we aim to set out a framework for continued infrastructure investments and will seek to ensure that you – our partners in the broader public sector – will always know what our conditions and criteria will be as we evaluate future needs.

I want to thank you for all the work that you and the staff of your organization have undertaken both as part of our capital planning process and to help ensure that we deliver infrastructure projects that meet the needs of Ontario communities. Working together, we will continue building a lasting infrastructure legacy that all Ontarians will be proud of.

In providing you with this update to our long-term planning process, I seek to continue the healthy dialogue and exchange of ideas that have been at the heart of our shared success. Over the next few months, as we continue to craft and finalize our long-term vision, I would encourage you to continue to engage with the Ministry of Infrastructure.

Please accept my very best wishes.

Sincerely,

and Ohio

3ob Chiarelli
/linister of Infrastructure

:: Mr. Brian Skinner, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Ajax

Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration

Minister

6<sup>th</sup> Floor 400 University Avenue Toronto ON M7A 2R9 Tel.: (416) 325-6200 Fax: (416) 325-6195 Ministère des Affaires civiques et de l'immigrati

Ministre

(ii)

6º étage 400, avenue University Toronto ON M7A 2R9

Tél.; (416) 325-6200 Téléc.: (416) 325-6195 11

TOWN OF AJAX

APR -1 A9:46

RECEIVED



March 2011

Dear Friends:

# **LINCOLN M. ALEXANDER AWARD 2011**

Every year since 1993, the Government of Ontario has presented the Lincoln M. Alexander Award to honour young Ontarians who have demonstrated exemplary leadership in contributing to the elimination of racial discrimination.

I am pleased to call upon you and ask you to support this program by nominating a young person whom you believe to be deserving of recognition. As the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, I will join the Lieutenant Governor in officially recognizing the award recipients at a special ceremony at Queen's Park later in the year.

Nomination forms and information outlining details of the program, including the deadline date, the selection criteria and the procedures followed in the selection process are available on our website at <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards">www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards</a>

Please read the information provided and take this opportunity to acknowledge a young person from your school or community who has made an important contribution to eliminating racial discrimination in Ontario.

For further information you may contact the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat: 416 314-7526, toll free 1 877 832-8622 or TTY 416 327-2391. **The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2011.** 

Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider a deserving young Ontarian for the Lincoln M. Alexander Award.

Sincerely,

Dr. Eric Hoskins

Minister



# Highway 2 Transit Priority Measures Municipal Class Enviro: \\ \text{\ssessment}

(iii)



#### NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

**WORKS DEPARTMENT** 

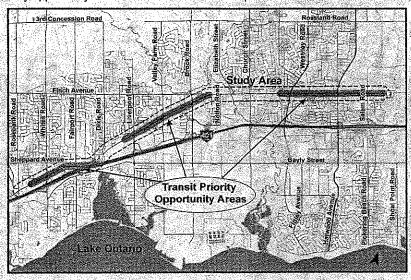
**APRIL 1, 2011** 

**NEWSLETTER** 

Highway 2 Transit Priority Measures in Ajax and Pickering Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

Highway 2 (Kingston Road in the Town of Ajax and the City of Pickering) is The Regional Municipality of Durham's (Durham Region) primary transit corridor. It connects the urban areas of Durham Region's lakeshore municipalities. In recognition of this key role, the Province of Ontario has committed funding to implement Stage one of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service on Highway 2. One component of the BRT service is construction of road works to provide priority for transit (buses) over other vehicles.

Durham Region is initiating a Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to study and recommend Highway 2 Transit Priority Measures. The EA study will investigate potential roadway modifications to facilitate transit service along Highway 2 in Ajax and Pickering. The study will examine methods of implementing transit priority in three transit priority opportunity areas in the vicinity of: Whites Road, Liverpool Road to Brock Road, and Westney Road to Salem Road. Modifications may include curbside bus only lanes, High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes, mixed traffic lanes, or a median transit way. The study area for this project and the transit priority opportunity areas are illustrated in the map below:



During the course of this EA, Durham Region will be engaging stakeholders and the public through public information centres (PiCs), newsletters, a project website and other media. PiCs will be held at key study milestones. The first will take place later this spring. Details of the first PIC will be published in the Ajax/Pickering News Advertiser and mailed or emailed to individuals on the project contact list. The website may be found by following the "Highway 2 Transit Priority Measures" links on durham ca or durham egiontransit.com. If you have an interest in Highway 2, we want to hear from you.

This study is being undertaken in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment and the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Should you have any questions or comments about this project, please contact the following staff member from The Regional Municipality of Durham Works Department:

David Dunn, Project Co-ordinator 905-668-7711 ext. 3422 david.dunn@durham.ca

Under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information included in a submission will become part of the public record.

If this information is required in an alternate format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2036.



Stage one of the Durham Highway 2 Bus Rapid Transit project is funded by the Province of Ontario





# MINUTES Youth Engagement Advisory Committee

January 12, 2011

Community Room 1, McLean Community Centre Meeting No. 1

Committee Members: B. Sinnott

R.Sinnott V. Forster S.Pereira J. Tapper

S. Santhakumaran

Staff: R. Prochilo, Community Recreation Coordinator-Youth

Development

Regrets: T. Grant

C. Spagnuolo J. Gittens A. Hudani D. Pineda S.James S. Beckford

Guests: Jennifer Goodbrand, Durham Region Healthy SexYOUTHality

Coalition

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Sinnott called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: J.Tapper Seconded by: R.Sinnott

That the regular Minutes of the Youth Engagement Advisory Committee held on December 10, 2010, be adopted.

#### 4. Presentation/Discussion Items

# 4.1 Durham Region Healthy SexYOUTHality Coalition

Ms. Jennifer Goodbrand, member of the Durham Region Healthy SexYOUTHality Coalition, presented on the organizations focus group being implemented over the next few months regarding healthy sexual relationships for youth between the ages of 15-24 years old. A number of communities have been contacted (Oshawa, Whitby, Pickering, Ajax and Brooklin) and will be gathering for three information sessions (March, April & May). Youth looking to participate are expected to attend all three sessions and to contact Ms. Goodbrand directly for further details.

# 4.2 Youth Engagement Advisory Committee

R. Prochilo, Youth Development Coordinator, provided an update on the status of the Youth Engagement Committee (YEC). The committee has been elevated to an advisory committee and will now be known as the Youth Engagement Advisory Committee (YEAC).

#### 4.3 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Volunteer Recognition Awards will be taking place in April, and anyone looking to nominate someone must do so by March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Members were advised to contact Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, with any questions regarding the event. Members were encouraged to submit nominations.

#### 4.3 Ball Hockey Tournament

R. Prochilo presented a promotional flyer to the committee for review and feedback. Members discussed changes and requested R. Prochilo to bring forth and updated version to the next meeting.

#### 4.4 Youth Week

Committee members were updated on the activities planned for Youth Week. Members requested the discussion of Youth Week activities continue during the next meeting.

The opportunity for members to play a role in the "Encourage Me Ajax" Youth Campaign was identified. It was noted that Ms. Murray, Assistant to the CAO, would be in attendance at a forthcoming meeting to provide details of the campaign as well as the Committee's participation role.

#### 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 Work Plan

The committee discussed items to be carried forward on the 2011 work plan.

# 6. Update from Council

None

#### 7. New Business

# 7.1 Fundraising Opportunity

Committee members agreed to look into potential fundraising opportunities as part of the 2011 term. It was decided that any donations received will be given to local charities/organizations.

# 7.2 Youth Room Logos

R. Prochilo provided an update on the Youth Room logos and the voting process which began January 24, 2011 and will end February 4, 2011. Voting opportunities are available online through the Town's web/Facebook page, as well as at the youth rooms and various programs. Logos will be placed in youth rooms with colour choices corresponding with the logo selection.

# 8. Adjournment

Moved by: B. Sinnott Seconded by: R.Prochilo

That the January 12, 2011 meeting of the Youth Engagement Advisory Committee be adjourned (8:00 p.m.).



# MINUTES Heritage Advisory Committee

February 2, 2011 River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No.1

Committee Members: Keith Bachmeier

Laura Booth Beverly Briggs

Councillor Joanne Dies Antonella Inglesi-Grossi Denise Koh-McLeod Brian Lampole Natasha Pierre

Staff: Christy Chrus, Senior Planner

Brenda Kriz, Records Manager & FOI

Sarah Moore, Acting Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Suzanne Ouellette, Justin McLeod, Malcolm MacTaggart

#### 1. Call to Order

Acting-Chair Dies called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. New and returning members were welcomed and introductions were made.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: K. Bachmeier Seconded by: A. Inglesi-Grossi

That the regular minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on June 2, 2010, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Presentations

### 4.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. She reviewed contents of the meeting binder and committee resources. Information was presented relative to committee structure, procedure,

composition as well as committee roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format.

Members requested clarity on the duration of their membership term. Ms. Moore advised that the advisory committee term follows the four-year term of Council, therefore members were appointed to the committee with membership to expire in 2014. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

# 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 Work Plan - Discussion/Review

Ms. Kriz and Ms. Chrus led a detailed discussion on the objectives identified in the 2010-2014 committee work plan included in the agenda package. The opportunity for members to participate in several community events such as Canada Day, Discover Greenwood Day, Pumpkinville and the Pickering Village Jazz Festival was noted. It was noted that Ms. Sharlene Melnike, Community Development Coordinator, will attend a forthcoming meeting to discuss committee participation in the 2012 Doors Open event.

Staff reviewed individual work plan items and timelines. Members discussed the committee's participation role for projects outlined on the work plan. Several new initiatives were highlighted on the work plan including the creation of a pictorial Ajax "history" book, examination of heritage legislation, as well as policy development and review regarding establishment of the Pickering Village Heritage Conservation District.

Councillor Dies provided comment on the opportunity for the Committee to participate in the City of Pickering's Bicentennial celebration events to provide information on the historical background of Pickering Village, to be added to the work plan. She also indicated the importance of contacting local schools to remind them of the Ajax historical resource binder available in their libraries. The work plan was identified as a flexible guiding document to be reviewed regularly by the committee.

#### 6. Correspondence

# 6.1 Ontario Heritage Week February 21 to 27

# 6.2 By-Law 15-2011 To Amend Steam Plant Heritage Designation By-law

Councillor Dies reviewed background information relative to the heritage designation of the Steam Plant (170 Mills Road) and required changes to the combustion system and stack of the facility, needed to ensure compliance with current environmental standards. She noted that proposed changes to the facility's structure were reviewed and supported by the Committee in June 2009. As a result of structural changes to the facility, an amendment to the building's heritage designation was required. It was noted that the property owners intend to incorporate and preserve original designated elements, such as windows and wall sections in an interior historical display as well as throughout exterior landscaping.

Moved by: A. Inglesi-Grossi Seconded by: B. Lampole

That By-law 15-2011, to amend the designation of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest of the property municipally known as 170 Mills Road (*Steam Plant*) under by-law Number 165-91, be approved.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.3 Volunteer Recognition Awards Nomination Form

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection. Ms. Booth and Mr. Bachmeier volunteered to represent the Committee and Ms. Moore agreed to forward their contact information to Mr. Norris for further correspondence.

With the consent of all members present, the items of correspondence identified on the February 2, 2011 agenda of the Heritage Advisory Committee were received for information.

#### 7. Update from Council

Councillor Dies provided information on the Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign. She noted that the initiative will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She provided details of a new online forum as well as a public consultation session on February 24, 2011.

#### 8. New Business

#### 8.1 Event Dates

Ms. Kriz provided specific dates and times for members to volunteer during the community events identified in the work plan. Details will be incorporated into the work plan. Individual event participation will be discussed in detail at a forthcoming committee meeting.

#### 8.2 Town of Ajax Flags/Town Crier

Ms. Pierre inquired whether the Town of Ajax provides Town of Ajax flags to new Ajax residents or whether they are available for purchase. She identified the need to encourage residents to embrace Ajax's identity and history and suggested provision of a Town of Ajax flag to promote community belonging. Ms. Pierre also suggested that the Town of Ajax review appointing a Town Crier, as has one been established in several neighbouring municipalities.

# 9. Adjournment

Moved by: N. Pierre Seconded by: B. Briggs

That the February 2, 2011 meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee be adjourned (7:45 p.m.).



# MINUTES Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee

February 9, 2011 River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No.1

Committee Members: Councillor Marilyn Crawford

Jeremy Barchman Nicole Barrett Jessica Black Jennifer Brown Jeremy de Mel Carol Dixon Shirley Merith Baldish Toor Kristie Willson

Staff: Neda Skific-Lee, Manger-Neighbourhood Programs & Active

Living

Sarah Moore, Acting Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Gilbert Estridge

#### 1. Call to Order

Acting-Chair Skific-Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: J. Black Seconded by: J. Barchman

That the regular minutes of the Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee held on June 9, 2010, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Presentations

# 4.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator, led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. Members were welcomed and introductions were made. She reviewed

contents of the meeting binder and committee resources. Information was presented relative to committee structure, procedure, composition as well as committee roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

#### 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 Work Plan - Discussion/Review

Acting-Chair Skific-Lee led a detailed discussion on the objectives identified in the 2010-2014 committee work plan included in the agenda package. She reviewed individual work plan items and timelines. The opportunity for members to participate in consultation regarding public art submissions, cultural round table discussions, marketing and promotion of the St. Francis Centre, a canoe and kayak rental program, volunteer recruitment program, and ongoing youth engagement initiatives was reviewed.

Several community events were identified for committee involvement including Recreation and Parks Month, Great Waterfront Trail Adventure, and Discover Greenwood Day. It was noted that the committee will also have the opportunity to provide comment on development of a fitness and health centre survey, the strategic direction of the Sports and Physical Activity Strategy, as well as recreation initiatives identified within the Community Safety Strategy.

The work plan was identified as a flexible guiding document to be reviewed regularly by the committee. Members discussed the committee's participation role for projects outlined on the work plan and suggested that the Pickering Village Jazz Festival be added as a work plan item. Members also recommended listing items in order of priority to be reviewed and discussed by the committee.

In preparation for discussion with Mr. Robert Gruber, Manager – Community & Cultural Development, at a forthcoming meeting, Acting-Chair Skific-Lee distributed packages to members containing a selection of public art submissions for the St. Francis Centre, Pharmaceutical Advertising Advisory Board head office site in Pickering Village and various locations along the Ajax waterfront. She noted that submissions are to remain confidential to the Committee. It was noted that Ms. Moore would be circulating one additional piece for consideration once available.

The St. Francis Centre "Best Seat in the House" sponsorship campaign was also discussed. Promotional materials were provided to members for distribution.

#### 6. Correspondence

#### 6.1 Volunteer Recognition Awards Nomination Form

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development

Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection.

With the consent of all members present, the item of correspondence identified on the February 9, 2011 agenda of the Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee was received for information.

#### 7. Update from Council

Councillor Crawford provided information on the recent Annual Budget Meeting. She also discussed the Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign. She noted that the initiative will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She provided details of a new online forum as well as a public consultation session on February 24, 2011.

#### 8. New Business

# 8.1 Run Ajax Event Update

Mr. Barchman informed the Committee that the date for the 2011 Run Ajax event had moved from October to September and that the start/finish for the race will be moving from Rotary Park to the Ajax Community Centre. The change will allow for increase parking access and volume of participating runners. He also noted that a charitable component has been added to the event, with proceeds raised to be donated locally in support of the Canadian Tire "Jump Start" Program, a program to assist children with involvement in recreation activity. The event is intended to encourage a weekend of physical recreation and promotion of the Ajax Waterfront.

#### 9. Adjournment

Moved by: J. Black Seconded by: J. Barchman

That the February 9, 2011 meeting of the Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee be adjourned (7:30 p.m.).



# MINUTES Youth Engagement Advisory Committee

February 9, 2011

Large Board Room, Ajax Community Centre Meeting No. 2

Committee Members: B. Sinnott

R.Sinnott S. James S. Beckford

Staff: R. Prochilo, Community Recreation Coordinator Youth

Development

Regrets: T. Grant

C. Spagnuolo J. Gittens A. Hudani D. Pineda V. Forster S. Pereira J. Tapper

S. Santhakumaran

Guests: H. Dayton, Director of Recreation & Culture

M. Murray, Assistant to the CAO

R. Horton, Senior Communications Officer

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Prochilo called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: B. Sinnott Seconded by: R.Sinnott

That the regular Minutes of the Youth Engagement Advisory Committee held on January 12, 2011, be adopted.

#### 4. Presentation/Discussion Items

# 4.1 Encourage Me Ajax - Youth Campaign

Ms. Murray and Ms. Horton, made a presentation on the Towns youth campaign "Encourage Me Ajax". The campaign was identified as a strategy from the Town's Community Safety Strategy. The goal of the campaign is to uplift youth by focusing on youth potential, not stereotypes, without ignoring the stereotypes, and to educate the public on the rights of youth and the stigmas they face.

This three-month campaign (targeted for Spring 2011 (March – May) or Fall 2011 (May – September), will profile six Ajax students, one from each Ajax high school and one from Durham Alternative Secondary School. The students will represent different social groups/cliques. Students and their experiences will be face of campaign.

A number of promotional materials have been dedicated to this campaign to reach out to youth (i.e.: Facebook, flyers, banners, in-school promotion, school web pages, etc.). A review of the logo and web page design was presented. A final event will be put together with a guest motivational speaker, Mr. Ryan Porter.

# 4.2 Department Update

Mr. Dayton made a presentation on behalf of the Recreation & Culture Department outlining the department's youth focus for the term. The presentation focused on youth importance in our community, challenges youth and the Committee might face, opportunities that exist, as well as the new advisory committee status of the committee. The focus for 2011 will include Recreation & Culture departmental updates for youth (new programs, events, etc) and the measures of success.

#### 4.3 Orientation

An advisory committee orientation presentation was made identifying changes pertaining to the Committee's advisory committee status. The purpose of an advisory committee, committee structure, member roles and mandate of the committee were discussed.

# 4.4 Hockey Tournament

The Committee agreed to move the hockey tournament to an April 2011 date and change format to a soccer event. Further discussion regarding establishing a subcommittee for the event will be discussed at a forthcoming meeting.

# 4.5 Youth Spaces

A presentation of the selected logos was brought forward. In total, 351 votes were cast. Both Ajax and McLean Youth Spaces will be made over with new paint in time for the May

2011 Youth Week grand re-opening. Discussion regarding establishment of youth room grand opening subcommittees will be held a forthcoming meeting.

#### 4.6 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Ms. Beckford and Mr. James volunteered to participate in the volunteer recognition selection process

# 4.7 Positive Spaces Designation

The opportunity to participate in a diversity and acceptance workshop, coordinated by Flag was identified. PFlag Canada is a national voice that speaks for a more accepting and inclusive Canadian society by providing support, education and resources on issues of sexual orientation and gender identity. The Durham chapter follows this mission and expands on it as the community needs are assessed. Activities include speaking about bullying, sexual orientation gender identities and expressions in the GSA's.

It was noted that workshops will be held for staff (youth program leaders) and YEAC members in March.

# 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 2011 Work plan

The 2011 work plan was presented to the committee and reviewed.

# 6. Update from Council

None

### 7. New Business

#### 7.1 AODA: Accessible Customer Service Standard

Pursuant to provincial accessibility legislation, Mr. Prochilo advised members that, as they are volunteers of the Town, they are required to read and sign off on the Town's Accessible Customer Service Policy.

#### 7.2 Fireworks during Canada Day

Committee members were asked to read a News Advertiser article on the proposed use of fireworks during the Town's Canada Day event compared to the current use of fireworks during Home Week. Members were asked to forward their comments directly to the News Advertiser.

# 8. Adjournment

Moved by: R. Prochilo Seconded by: S. James

That the February 9, 2011 meeting of the Youth Engagement Advisory Committee be adjourned (8:30 p.m.).



# MINUTES Environmental Advisory Committee

February 10, 2011 River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No.1

Committee Members: Geoff Carpentier

Councillor Joanne Dies

Russ Dolan

Andrea Duncanson Wayne Hingston

Phil Jocz

Karen McDonald Monique Micallef Wilfred Pierre Tanya Roberts Kim Sellers Valerie Silveira

Staff: Tim Murphy, *Project Coordinator* 

Sarah Moore, Committee Coordinator

Guests: Maryam Nassar, Staff Liaison for TRCA

Regrets: Tracey Chala

# 1. Call to Order

Acting-chair Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: K. McDonald Seconded by: G. Carpenter

That the regular minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held on June 10, 2010, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Presentations/Discussion Items

# 4.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator, led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. Members were welcomed and introductions were made. She reviewed contents of the meeting binder and committee resources. Ms. Maryam Nassar, was introduced as the Committee's Toronto Region Conservation Authority representative. Her role as a resource staff member was identified.

Information was presented relative to agenda content, committee structure, meeting format, procedure, committee composition as well as roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format.

With the consent of all members present, the Committee's meeting schedule was amended to change the meeting day to the first Thursday of each month to avoid conflict with meetings of the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee.

Ms. Moore advised that the advisory committee term follows the four-year term of Council, therefore members were appointed to the committee with membership to expire in 2014. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

# 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 Work Plan Discussion/Review

Acting-Chair Murphy led a detailed discussion on the objectives identified in the 2010-2014 committee work plan included in the agenda package. The opportunity for members to participate in consultation on several Town projects and strategic documents including the Urban Forestry Management Plan, Shoreline Improvement Strategy, ongoing Parks and Recreation Master Plan initiatives, Greenwood Management Plan, Waterfront Management Plan and Integrated Community Sustainability Plan. Participation in Ajax Green Living Days as well as water quality monitoring projects and community events was also identified.

Staff reviewed individual work plan items and timelines. Members discussed the committee's participation role for projects outlined on the work plan. Members provided comments on additional items to be added to the work plan which included: litter, community outreach, development impact on local wildlife, sustainable development/energy initiatives, the Ajax community garden, and community pollution. The work plan was identified as a flexible guiding document to be reviewed and updated regularly by the committee.

### 6. Correspondence

- 6.1 Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to Address Outfall Capacity Limitations at the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant
- 6.2 Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant Outfall Class EA: Project Timelines as of January 2011

Mr. Murphy noted that Items 6.1 and 6.2 had been included in the agenda package as background information for discussion with Planning & Development Services staff at a

forthcoming meeting. With the consent of all members present, the items of correspondence identified on the February 10, 2011 agenda of the Environmental Advisory Committee were received for information.

#### 7. Update from Council

Councillor Dies provided information on the development of the 2010-2014 Strategic Plan which continues to include strong environmental focus. The Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign was also discussed. Councillor Dies noted that the initiative will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She provided details of a new online forum as well as a public consultation session on February 24, 2011.

#### 8. New Business

#### 8.1 Shoreline Improvement Strategy

Mr. Murphy provided details of the Shoreline Improvement Strategy. He noted details regarding a public information work shop to be held on Saturday February 26, 2011 that will allow residents the opportunity to provide comments on the strategy. Ms. Moore agreed to send out an email reminder to the Committee closer to the event date.

#### 8.2 2010 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection. Ms. Moore advised any interested members to contact her directly.

# 8.3 Sustainable Pickering: March Leadership Forum

Mr. Carpentier shared information relevant to an environmental leadership forum event to be held March 5, 2011 by Sustainable Pickering. He agreed to forward full event details to Ms. Moore for distribution to the Committee.

#### 9. Adjournment

Moved by: P. Jocz Seconded by: V. Silveira

That the February 10, 2011 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee be adjourned (8:05 p.m.).



# MINUTES Accessibility Advisory Committee February 16, 2011

River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No.1

Committee Members: Councillor Pat Brown

Sepelene Deonarine Marion Dunning Linn Gilbey Vincent Plouffe Kathreen Smith

Staff: Sarah Moore, Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Allan Angus, Dawn Gabriel

#### 1. Call to Order

Acting-chair Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: M. Dunning Seconded by: S. Deonarine

That the regular minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee held on June 30, 2010, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

# 4. Presentations/Discussion Items

#### 4.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator, led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. Members were welcomed and introductions were made. She reviewed contents of the meeting binder and committee resources.

Information was presented relative to agenda content, committee structure, meeting format, procedure, committee composition as well as roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format.

Ms. Moore advised that the advisory committee term follows the four-year term of Council, therefore members were appointed to the committee with membership to expire in 2014. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

# 5. Standing Items

#### 5.1 Work Plan Discussion/Review

Ms. Moore provided an overview of the objectives outlined in the 2010-2014 committee work plan included in the agenda package. She noted that the structure of the work plan is designed to complement the development of the Town's annual accessibility plan. Key objectives and opportunities for consultation were noted in the areas of Facilities & Infrastructure, Communication & Information, Service Delivery and Policy & Procedure. Opportunities for members to participate in increasing the profile of the committee, accessibility education, community partnerships and recognition of National Access Awareness Week were also discussed. The work plan was identified as a flexible guiding document to be reviewed and updated regularly by the committee.

#### 6. Correspondence

- 6.1 Region of Durham Letter Re: Financial Contribution to Accessibility Expo
- 6.2 Town of Ajax Resolution Re: Impact Caused by the Loss of Full Service Gas Stations

Members requested follow up information from staff regarding self-service gas stations to be discussed at a forthcoming meeting.

- 6.3 Region of Durham Resolution: Promotion of Sign Language Interpretation as a Career Choice
- 6.4 Canadian Hearing Society Letter Re: Election Accessibility
- 6.5 Mayor's Response Letter to Canadian Hearing Society Letter Re: Election Accessibility
- 6.6 Region of Durham Report #2010-A-36: Proposed Integrated Accessibility Regulation
- 6.7 DRAFT Ontario Regulation: AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards

Ms. Moore noted that the draft Integrated Accessibility Standards regulation had been released by the Ministry of Community and Social Services. Public consultation and comment are being sought from February 1 to March 18, 2011.

#### 6.8 Volunteer Recognition Awards Nomination Form

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection. Interested participants were asked to contact Ms. Moore to arrange for further correspondence.

With the consent of all members present, the items of correspondence identified on the February 16, 2011 agenda of the Accessibility Advisory Committee were received for information.

# 7. Update from Council

Councillor Brown provided information on development of the 2010-2014 Strategic Plan The Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign was also discussed. She noted that the initiative will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She provided details of a new online forum as well as a public consultation session on February 24, 2011. Information on the Annual Budget meeting was also provided.

#### 8. New Business

None

#### 9. Adjournment

Moved by: M. Dunning Seconded by: V. Plouffe

That the February 16, 2011 meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee be adjourned (7:05 p.m.).



# MINUTES Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee

February 23, 2011 Boulevard Room, Town Hall Meeting No. 1

Committee Members: Regional Councillor Colleen Jordan

Councillor Renrick Ashby

Javed Akbar

Moody Samuel Farag Jennifer Hirlehey Roxanne Horwitz Glenda Jones Mohamed Karatella

Glenn Lang Natasha Prasad Tara Syed

Deborah Thompson

Staff: David Forget, Manager - Quality Service & Special Projects

Sarah Moore, Acting Committee Co-ordinator

Guest: Howie Dayton, Director of Recreation & Culture

Regrets: Sharlene Melnike, Denise Burnett, Sobia Ahmad

# 1. Call to Order

Acting-Chair Forget called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: N. Prasad Seconded by: M. Karatella

That the regular Minutes of the Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee held on June 23, 2010, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Presentations

# 4.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator, led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. Members were welcomed and introductions were made. She reviewed contents of the meeting binder and committee resources.

Information was presented relative to agenda content, committee structure, meeting format, procedure, committee composition as well as roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format.

Ms. Moore advised that the advisory committee term follows the four-year term of Council, therefore members were appointed to the committee with membership to expire in 2014. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

# 4.2 Diversity & Community Engagement Plan Overview

Mr. Howie Dayton, Director of Recreation & Culture, presented the Diversity and Community Engagement Plan, included in the committee member binders. He noted that Council approved development of the Plan in 2009 in response to changing community demographics and needs. Information was provided on the Plan's background, deliverables, development, key findings as well as its goals and implementation.

Mr. Dayton identified the five key deliverables as focus areas of the Plan's framework; Policy Development and Review, Provision of Programs and Services, Community Engagement, The Town as Employer, and Strengthening Neighborhoods. Development of the Plan with input from a Steering Committee comprised of members representing the diversity of Ajax's community. Extensive consultation also included focus groups, community forums, as well as an online survey.

Key findings during consultation and development included existence of a strong history of support for diversity within the Town of Ajax, shared community leadership and the notion that the Town is a good place to work with many supportive programs. Further efforts to recruit diverse populations, strengthened diversity education and awareness and development of internship and mentoring programs were reviewed. The plan was identified to focus on a broad range of communities of interest

Mr. Dayton discussed several of the Plan's goals, which related to policy development, development of a workforce reflective of the community and implementation of a "Diversity Lens". He reviewed several of the Plan's key recommendations such as development of an internal staff diversity team to report on the implementation of the Plan, use of plain and clear language in written and oral communications as well as establishment of community ambassadors and involvement of the Library to develop an "Ajax Centre for Understanding".

He highlighted several achievements and initiatives currently underway in support of the plan's implementation which included staff training sessions, continued strengthening of community partnerships as well as various cultural displays and public events.

It was noted that staff will work with the Accessibility and Diversity & Community Engagement Advisory Committees and community organizations to assist with the implementation of the Plan and that regular status reports to Council will be submitted. Implementation will also include annual evaluation and reporting to public stakeholders.

The role of members to provide insight during implementation consultation of the Plan, as well as to act as community ambassadors was reviewed. The Committee expressed strong support for the initiatives outlined within the Plan and the implementation progress made by the Town to date.

Councillor Ashby briefly provided information relating to diversity-related concerns expressed on the Town's Facebook comments page. The role of social media in community engagement was discussed. He reinforced the importance of maintaining a positive, respectful and inclusive discussion environment.

# 4.3 Black History Month Debrief Discussion

On behalf of Ms. Sharlene Melnike, Community Development Coordinator, Mr. Forget presented an overview of the Black History Month "Celebrating our Past and Present" event held at Town Hall. The "Celebrate Black History Month" event calendar was distributed.

Mr. Forget noted that approximately 250 people were in attendance for the 2011 event. It was facilitated in partnership with Cultural Expressions Art Gallery and the Women's Multicultural Resource & Counselling Centre of Durham (WMRCC). The event also received financial support from a Citizenship and Immigration Canada Inter-Action grant and the Durham Community Foundation. The suggestion was proposed to relocate the event to a larger venue to accommodate the growing number of participants.

Councillor Ashby provided details of remaining Black History Month celebration events held throughout the community. Members requested information on registration requirements to attend the upcoming Pancake Party event at the Main Branch Library. Ms. Moore agreed to follow up with further details.

#### 5. Work Plan

Mr. Forget discussed details of the objectives outlined within the 2011 committee work plan included in the agenda package. Key initiatives and opportunities for consultation were noted such as, review of the New Residents' guide, participation in the Town's Website Redesign, evaluation of the Language Line, proclamation of Diversity Month as well as discussion and review of the Town's hiring practices. Opportunities for members to participate in various community engagement initiatives were also discussed. The work plan was identified as a flexible guiding document to be reviewed regularly by the committee.

#### 6. Correspondence

- 6.1 Paul Yuzyk Award for Multiculturalism
- 6.2 Volunteer Recognition Awards nomination Form

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection. Interested participants were asked to contact Ms. Moore to arrange for further correspondence.

#### 6.3 "Making Ontario Home" Survey

With the consent of all members present, the items of correspondence identified on the February 23, 2011 agenda of the Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee were received for information.

# 7. Update from Council

Regional Councillor Jordan provided information on development of the 2010-2014 Strategic Plan. The Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign was identified as a community engagement opportunity that will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She noted details of a new online forum as well as a public consultation session to be held on February 24, 2011. Information on the Annual Budget meeting was also provided. Regional Councillor Jordan also noted the forthcoming development of a Shoreline Improvement Strategy and indicated details of a public workshop to be held February 26, 2011 as an opportunity for public consultation.

Councillor Ashby provided details for several upcoming community events in celebration of Black History month. Events will take place within Ajax and will include live entertainment and guest speakers. He also noted continued discussion relating to strengthening neighbourhoods and community engagement, which will include community consultation initiatives such as community BBQs. He requested that Ms. Marilou Murray, Assistant to the CAO, be invited to attend a forthcoming meeting for discussion.

#### 8. New Business

# 8.1 Welcome Wagon

Ms. Jones advised the committee of a contact with the Welcome Wagon and proposed that the contact be invited to attend a forthcoming meeting to discuss feedback received from Welcome Wagon visits to Ajax residents.

#### 8.2 Durham Immigration Portal

Mr. Forget, reviewed the Durham Immigration Portal (<a href="www.durhamimmigration.ca">www.durhamimmigration.ca</a>) which was launched in 2010 as a resource for new residents to Canada and the Durham Region.

The site is intended to provide information to assist with transition and settlement in Durham and provides information on job search opportunities, culture, local government, shopping, weather and much more.

# 9. Adjournment

Moved by: G. Lang Seconded by: M. Farag

That the February 23, 2011 meeting of the Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee be adjourned (9:00 p.m.).



# MINUTES Active Transportation and Trails Advisory Committee

February 24, 2011

River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No. 1

Committee Members: Regional Councillor Shaun Collier

Richard Cooke
Katheryne Jackson
Mandy Johnson
Reg Lawrance
Kim Lendvay
Diane Moore
Edward Russell

Ute Sack Debbie Steer Robert Walker

Staff: Ranjit Gill - Senior Transportation Planner

Sarah Moore - Committee Co-ordinator

Blair Labelle - Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

#### 1. Call to Order

Acting-Chair Gill called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

#### 3. Presentations

# 3.1 Advisory Committee Orientation

Ms. Moore, Committee Coordinator, led an orientation session for new and returning committee members. Members were welcomed and introductions were made. She reviewed contents of the meeting binder and committee resources.

Information was presented relative to agenda content, committee structure, meeting format, procedure, committee composition as well as roles and responsibilities. Ms. Moore also provided a brief overview of the committee's mandate and meeting format.

Ms. Moore advised that the advisory committee term follows the four-year term of Council, therefore members were appointed to the committee with membership to expire in 2014. She advised that membership commitment will be monitored by staff and that changes to appointments will be addressed as required.

Regional Councillor Collier vacated the meeting in order to attend the "Let's Talk Ajax" – Strategic Plan Public Consultation Session. (6:40 p.m.).

#### 4. Work Plan

Acting-Chair Gill discussed details of the objectives outlined within the 2011 committee work plan included in the agenda package. Key initiatives and opportunities for consultation were noted such as review of the Ajax Pedestrian Bicycle Master Plan implementation, trail signage, capital projects, corporate Website redesign, active/safe school routes and current policies, by-laws and enforcement practices.

Opportunities for members to participate in various community events initiatives such as Trailsfest, monthly walks/rides, Winterfest, the Great Waterfront Trail Adventure, Pumpkinville, and Canada Day celebrations were also discussed. The work plan was identified as a flexible document in which the membership could regularly review and modify. As such, the work plan would appear on all subsequent meeting agendas as a standing item.

Members expressed concern for various initiatives of the former Ajax Trails Committee work plan which had not been fully identified in 2011 Active Transportation & Trails Advisory Committee work plan. Acting-Chair Gill noted the opportunity to review both work plans in further detail at a forthcoming meeting. He noted that the plan is flexible and can be amended to incorporate additional initiatives. Members discussed additional items for potential inclusion in the work plan.

Staff stressed the importance of maintaining a balance between the committee's work with respect to trails events and programming and the consideration of strategic priorities of the Town in relation to active transportation initiatives. It was noted that Town staff from Recreation and Culture, Communications and Operations would be invited to attend forthcoming meetings in order to discuss current Town initiatives as well as to provide support to the committee with respect to the execution of their work plan.

#### 5. Correspondence

#### 5.1 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Ms. Moore introduced members to the Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards program. She informed the Committee that Mr. Andrew Norris, Community Development Coordinator, had requested at least two representatives from each advisory committee to participate in a Nomination Review committee and assist with award recipient selection. Interested participants were asked to contact Ms. Moore to arrange for further correspondence.

# 7. Update from Council

None

#### 8. New Business

# 8.1 Let's Talk Ajax

Ms. Moore provided information on the Town's newly launched "Let's Talk Ajax" Community Action Plan campaign. She reminded members they were welcome and encouraged to attend the public consultation session held that evening. The initiative was identified as a community engagement opportunity that will allow for public review and comment on the priority objectives identified for the 2010-2014 term of Council. She also noted details of a new online forum.

#### 8.2 Trailsfest

Members expressed concern that combining two Town events, the Mayor's Ride and the celebration of Greenwood may be in conflict. Safety concerns with hosting a family bike ride on Westney Road North were noted. Ms. Steer provided event planning details that included the potential for police presence at Greenwood Road and Taunton Road to alleviate traffic and safety concerns. She noted that the event was originally scheduled for June 2011, but due to conflicting Town events, was moved to May 28, 2011. The event will offer walks through Greenwood in addition to bike rides. Members discussed the feasibility of postponing the date of the family ride event.

Members expressed interest in striking a subcommittee in order to assist staff with various event planning initiatives. Some members expressed concern for limited involvement in past subcommittee meetings as a result of the meetings being held during the day. It was noted that appropriate staff will be invited to attend forthcoming meetings of the advisory committee in order to assist in planning details with respect to future events. Staff suggested that, although a subcommittee could be struck, it was recommended that the majority of work be channeled through the main committee in order to allow for full participation from all of the membership. There was consent from members present that those who had recently been working with Town staff in relation to planning Trailsfest would continue to do so, however, that all substantive recommendations regarding the event would be approved by the main committee at its subsequent meeting(s).

Mr. Cooke requested that committee member name tags be created to identify them as committee members at Town events.

# 8.3 Durham Trails Coordinating Committee

Mr. Cooke identified his role as a member of the Durham Trails Coordinating Committee (DTCC). He distributed DTCC agenda and work plan materials to members and provided details of the next DTCC meeting for the Committee's interest. He agreed to provide regular DTCC updates to the Committee.

# 8.4 Trail Map

There was discussion regarding the process by which the "Ajax by Trails" map would be reprinted. It was noted that further discussion with respect to items on the work plan could occur at the subsequent meeting.

# 8.4 Green Communities Canada / Canada Walks

Ms. Johnson agreed to present information on "Green Communities Canada" and "Canada Walks" at a forthcoming meeting. She distributed information materials to members.

# 9. Adjournment

Moved by: M. Johnson Seconded by: E. Russell

That the February 24, 2011 meeting of the Active Transportation and Trails Advisory Committee be adjourned (7:20 p.m.).

CARRIED

# TOWN OF AJAX REPORT



Report To: Council

Submitted By: Donna Bright

Chief Librarian & Executive Officer

Prepared By: Susan Burrill

Manager of Corporate Services

Subject: Ajax Public Library Board Report to Council

Ward(s): N/A

Date of Meeting: April 11, 2011

Reference:

# **Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report for information purposes.

Ajax Public Library Board Meeting: March 24, 2011

# Presentation by Mr. Rob Ford, Director of Finance, Town of Ajax

Rob Ford, Director of Finance, Town of Ajax presented an overview of the Town's strategic financial planning process. The presentation included: Long Range Capital Planning; Library/Town Budget Relationship; Development Charges 101; Standards Guidelines and Best Practices.

# **Ajax Public Library Master Plan**

The Ajax Public Library Master Plan Report was reviewed by Donna Bright. The Board endorsed the Plan, prior to it being presented to Council.

11-03/05 Moved by: Kate Bird

Seconded by: Valerie Silveira

That the Ajax Public Library Master Plan be received by the Board, referred to Council for its receipt, and then referred to staff for

implementation.

**CARRIED** 

# **Library Open House**

'The World at Your fingertips' was the theme this year. With the launch of three new services – self-check, askON, and the Accessible workstation, the Open House attracted a number of customers to meet and greet the new Library Board Trustees, learn about the Library's services and programs, as well as enjoy the special treats.

Next Meeting:	April 28, 2011
Susan Burrill, Manage	r of Corporate Services
Donna Bright Chief Li	hrarian & Evec Officer

# **Regional Councillor Report**

**Submitted by:** Shaun Collier, Regional Councillor Wards 1 & 2

**Date:** April 11, 2011

Finance and Administration – March 29, 2011 Special Finance and Administration – April 6, 2011 Council – April 6, 2011

#### **Transit**

In response to questions asked at our Ajax Council meeting on March 28, I have arranged for representatives from Durham Region Transit to be a delegation at the next Ajax Council meeting on April 26. DRT will give an update on transit in Ajax and the improvements outlined in this year's budget.

#### **Finance**

Committee approved report 2011-F-20 to authorize a Statutory Public Meeting of Regional Council to consider proposed amendments to the Regional Development Charges By-law 44-2008. Due to major increases in the capital forecast, it is necessary to ensure that the Region is collecting the right amount of development charges to fund future infrastructure costs such as sanitary sewers.

Many delegations were heard on the Energy From Waste facility (EFW) and, although this may have financial implications, the delegations were primarily Works and Social Services related. Committee passed a motion that all future EFW delegations were to go through Works Committee first. This motion was defeated at Council on a recorded vote of 12-10.

#### **Council**

The same Delegations that appeared at Finance appeared at Council on the EFW. A strong argument for increased diversion vs incineration was made. Councillor Foster requested a report from Staff to be presented at a future meeting on the costs to discontinue the EFW project.

# **Regional Councillor Report**

Submitted by: Colleen Jordan, Regional Councillor Wards 3 & 4

**Date:** Apr. 11, 2011

# Regional Council - April 6, 2011

#### **Public Health**

The 2009 Annual Report of the Chief Medical Officer of Health of Ontario was provided to the Health Committee for information. The report provided an overview of public health in 2009. Dr. King's report highlighted the achievement of the development of The Ontario Public Health Standards and Protocols as this moved Ontario towards a system that was more up to date, informed by best evidence and focused on the needs of Ontarians. This initiative was part of the public health action plan that was developed in the wake of the SARS experience.

Her report states the average lifespan of Canadians has increased by more than 30 years since the 1900's. Twenty five of those years are attributable to advances in public health, dealing with safer food, water, and milk, family planning, environmental policies to improve air and water quality, action on tobacco control, safer workplaces, motor vehicle safety, reduced deaths from cardiovascular disease and stroke, immunization programs etc. .

The report calls for a shift in health care towards prevention and cites a number of reports in support of this argument. Dr. King's report builds on these and the Romanow Report that speaks to the need toaddress the broader social determinants of health such as income distribution, education, housing, early childhood education, food insecurity, race, gender etc. Thes report also speaks to the need toaddressthe issues of obesity and physical inactivity. Almost 60% of Ontario adults are overweight or obese and even more alarming is that 26% of Canadian children from two to seventeen are overweight or obese. In Ontario the direct and indirect costs of obesity are estimated at \$1.6 billion.

The Peel Healthy Development Index was cited in the report as an initiative that demonstrates the importance of considering health impacts in our everyday environment and engaging multiple sectors to mitigate these impacts. Recognizing that our automobile oriented development is associated with low levels of physical activity and high rates of obesity and chronic disease, Peel Public Health has developed initiatives to increase the health promoting potential of the built environment. They have developed a Healthy Development Index and an amendment has been approved in their Official Plan that public health impact studies may now be required. A detailed submission with recommendations for proposed changes to the Provincial Policy Statement with recommendations including the need for health assessments be part of

the municipal development application process was submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in Sept. 2010. Durham's Medical Officer of Health is sharing this information and research with the Planning Commissioner and this should be the subject of future discussion.

# Works Compost Giveaway - May 14th

A compost giveaway will be held on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. until noon, at Ajax Downs, 50 Alexander Crossing, in Ajax. The compost was made from the organics collected through the Region's curbside green bin and leaf and yard waste programs. The compost is provided free to residents, who must provide their own shovels and containers. Quantities are limited to three blue boxes of compost per vehicle. Green bins, blue boxes and backyard composters will also be available for purchase or exchange. Compost giveaways are being held in a number of municipalities as a way to thank residents for participating in the organics collection programs.

# **By-LAW NUMBER 35-2011**

A By-law to provide for the numbering of buildings in the Town of Ajax.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 210 (112) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.45, as amended, by-laws may be passed by Councils of local municipalities for numbering buildings along any highway, beach, park, reserve or any other property in the municipality that it is considered necessary to number by Council, and for affixing numbers to buildings and for charging the owner or occupant with the expense incident to the numbering of the lot or property; and,

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to provide for the numbering of buildings;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax enacts as follows:

- 1. In this By-law:
  - a) "Building" means a structure occupying an area greater than 10 square metres consisting of a wall, roof and floor, or any one or more of them, or a structural system serving the function thereof, including all the works, fixtures and service systems appurtenant thereto, and includes such other structures as are designated in the regulations, but does not include a structure used directly in the extraction of ore from a mine;
  - b) "Council" means the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax;
  - c) "General Manager" means the General Manager of Development Approvals of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax or his designate;
  - d) "Highway" means any common or public highway in the Corporation of the Town of Ajax and includes a street and a bridge forming any part of any highway or on, over or across which a highway passes and "Street" has a corresponding meaning;
  - e) "Town" means the Corporation of the Town of Ajax;
- 2. The General Manager shall assign a number to every building abutting or fronting on any highway within the Town as set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- 3. The General Manager shall make and keep an official record of municipal numbers of all buildings abutting or fronting on any highway within the Town.
- 4. The numbers of all buildings as set out in the official record of municipal numbers shall be the official numbers of all buildings.
- 5. Whenever a new principle building is erected along any highway, the General Manager shall assign a number to each such building at the site plan stage.
- 6. Every owner or occupant of a building which abuts or fronts on a highway and contains an accessory apartment shall affix to such building in a prominent location so as to be visible at all times from the highway, the official number of the accessory apartment assigned by the General Manager. Such numbering shall be in the form of a capitalized letter following the official number in such a fashion that it is clear to anyone that there is more than one dwelling unit in that building.
- 7. Every building which abuts or fronts on a highway which separates the Town from any other municipality shall be given the official number of the building assigned by the General Manager. Such numbering shall be in the form of a capitalized letter preceding the official number in such a fashion that it is clear to anyone that the building is within the Town and not in any other municipality.
- 8. Every owner, upon being notified of the requirements of this by-law, shall comply within thirty (30) days by placing the official number on buildings.

- 9. Whenever it becomes necessary to have the numbers changed on any highway or portion of highway, the General Manager shall report to Council and, if so directed by resolution of the Council, shall thereafter re-number the buildings along the said highway or portion of highway and shall cause the owners of buildings on the said highway or portion of highway to be notified and directed to remove the previous numbers and affix new numbers to the buildings within thirty (30) days of the notice. This section shall apply to the urban areas of the Town.
- 10. No person shall affix to any building or, being the owner or occupant of any building, shall allow to be affixed thereto or to remain affixed thereto any number except that number which appears in the official record of municipal numbers maintained by the General Manager as the number of such building.
- 11. For buildings on which numbers are not in place within thirty (30) days of the owner being notified of the designated number and method of display, the Municipality shall purchase and install all numbers and hardware and shall charge the amount owing to the owners or place the amount on the tax rolls.
- 12. No person shall affix a building number to any utility pole or to any Town property.
- 13. Every owner or occupant of a building which abuts or fronts on a highway in an urban area shall affix to such building in a prominent location so as to be clearly visible at all times from the highway, the official number assigned by the General Manager.
- 14. Every owner or occupant of a building which abuts or fronts on highway in an urban area shall be responsible for the repair or replacement of the number of the building.
- 15. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13 of this by-law, where a building is situated more than ten (10) metres from the abutting highway in a rural area, the Town shall affix the official number to a permanent sign located on the boulevard not more than five (5) metres from the travelled portion of the highway and shall install the sign as set out in Schedule "B".
- 16. The sign and post shall not be used for any other purpose than to support the reflective number plate.
- 17. Every owner or occupant of a building which abuts or fronts on a highway in a rural area shall be responsible for the replacement or repair of the sign through the Town and shall be responsible for the cost of such replacement or repair which shall be \$25.00.
- 18. For every new lot created in a rural area, there shall be a \$15.00 fee payable to the Town of Ajax.
- 19. Every person who contravenes any section of this By-law is guilty of an offence, and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty for each offence, exclusive of costs, as prescribed by the Provincial Offences Act.
- 20. Should any section, subsection, clause or provision of this By-law be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the said shall not affect the validity of this By-law as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.
- 21. The short title of this By-law is "The Building Numbering By-law".
- 22. By-law 63-97 shall be repealed.

READ a fi	rst and	second	time	this
Eleventh day of April, 2011.				
	.y 0. / .p.	, _0		
READ a th	ird time	and pa	assed	this

Eleventh day of April, 2011.

 Mayor

D-Clerk

# SCHEDULE "A" to By-law Number 35-2011

- 1. That the co-ordinates for municipal addresses for the Town of Ajax area as follows:
  - a) North/South co-ordinates be Kingston Road; and
  - b) East/West co-ordinate be Harwood Avenue.
- 2. That numbering be assigned along streets in the following manner:
  - a) Arterial and Rural Roads
    - Street numbers north from Kingston Road excluding collector, service and local roads;
      - Kingston Road to Rossland Road 1-999
      - Rossland Road to Taunton Road 1000-1999
      - Taunton Road to Concession Road 5, 2000-2999
      - Lakeridge Road numbered in accordance with the east side (Whitby)
    - ii) Street numbering south from Kingston Road:
      - Kingston Road to Bayly Street 1-599
      - Bayly Street to Range Line Road 600-999
      - Range Line Road to Lake Driveway 1000+
    - iii) Street numbering east of Harwood Avenue, excluding collector, service and local roads:
      - Harwood Avenue to Salem Road/Pickering Beach Road 1-199
      - Salem Road/Pickering Beach Road to Sideline No. 4/Shoal Point Road 200-399
      - Sideline No. 4/Shoal Point Road to Audley Road 400-599
      - Audley Road to Lakeridge Road 600-799
    - iv) Street numbering west of Harwood Avenue north of Kingston Road, excluding collector, service and local roads:
      - Harwood Avenue to Westney Road 1-199
      - Westney Road to Ravenscroft Road 200-399
      - Ravenscroft Road to Church Street North 400-599
      - Church Street North to Sideline 16, 600-799
      - Riverside to Town boundary 800-899

(Street numbering west from Harwood Avenue South along Bayly Street West 1-799)

# b) Residential Streets:

One house number for each single detached, semi-detached, townhouse and link villa dwelling unit fronting onto a public road. Low/medium density housing projects with internal private streets may have a number per unit with street frontage.

Where blocks occur for public buildings, parks, open spaces and buildings for other than residences in a residential area that one number be assigned as per appropriate calculation.

All corner properties shall be assigned an address to the shorter frontage of the lot.

# c) Industrial area:

That one number be assigned for each 7 metres of street frontage. Only one number per building excluding accessory buildings.

#### d) Commercial areas:

That one number be assigned for each 7 metres of street frontage. Only one number per building excluding accessory buildings.

e) Multiple Housing - Residential:

That one number be assigned for each 7 metres of street frontage. Only one number per building excluding accessory buildings.

# 3. Assignment of numbers:

- a) Even numbers to be assigned to the north side of streets running in an east/west direction.
- b) Even numbers to be assigned to the west side of streets running in a north/south direction.
- c) Odd numbers to be assigned to the south side of streets running in an east/west direction.
- d) Odd numbers to be assigned to the east side of streets running in a north/south direction.
- e) Where possible, the number sequence shall begin from or nearest to the co-ordinate street (Harwood Avenue and Kingston Road).
- f) Where dwellings are located on a corner lot, the number shall be assigned to the dwelling on the street upon which the dwelling front door facade is oriented.
- g) Where one or more entrances serves a multi-tenanted building, letters of the alphabet or unit numbers or suite numbers combined into a single street number shall be used to designate the address of each unit.
- h) Numbering on cul-de-sacs shall begin in a sequential order starting on the right side.
- i) Every building which fronts onto a public lane shall only be addressed to the rear public lane when alternate frontage along a higher order public highway is not available.
- j) No buildings shall have identical numbers on opposite sides of a travelled road.
- k) Every building which has frontage onto both a rear public lane and a public highway shall provide numbers on the rear of the lane based units that are smaller than the numbers on the front of lane based units and shall include the full municipal street address of each unit.
- 4. That the assignment or change in street numbers is under the jurisdiction of Planning & Development Services.

# SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER XX-2011

# MUNICIPAL ADDRESS

WHY:

TO ASSIST EMERGENCY VEHICLES, UTILITY SERVICES, DELIVERIES

AND FRIENDS TO LOCATE YOUR HOME.

WHERE:

THE NUMBER IS TO BE CLEARLY VISIBLE FROM ANY HIGHWAY AT ALL TIMES. BUILDING AND LOT NUMBERS ARE NOT TO BE AFFIXED TO ANY UTILITY POLE, MAIL BOX OR ON ANY PUBLIC PROPERTY.

SIZE:

12.7 CENTIMETRES x 38.1 CENTIMETRES.

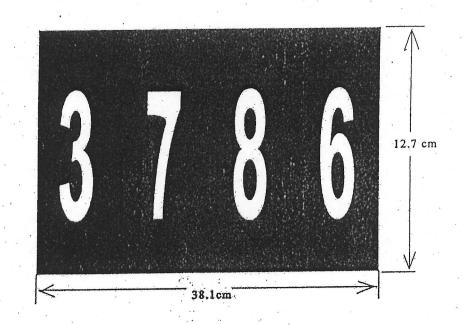
COLOUR:

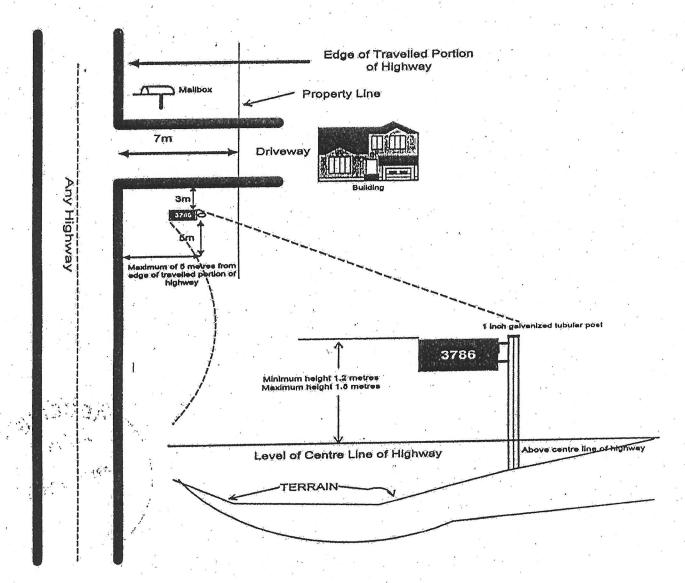
REFLECTIVE WHITE NUMBERS AND BORDER ON GREEN REFLECTIVE

BACKGROUND

FONT:

HELVETICA BOLD CONDENSE.





# **BY-LAW NUMBER 36-2011**

Being a By-Law to appoint By-law Enforcement Officers for certain purposes (Parking Regulations – 613 Kingston Road West)

**WHEREAS** pursuant to the provisions of section 15 of the Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990, chapter P.15, as amended, a municipal Council may appoint persons to enforce the By-laws of the municipality who shall be Peace Officers for the purpose of enforcing the municipal By-laws;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AJAX ENACTS AS FOLLOWS;

 The following persons are hereby appointed as Municipal Law Enforcement Officers in and for the Town of Ajax and are hereby authorized to enter at all reasonable times upon the lands known as 613 Kingston Road West, in the Town of Ajax, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, in order to ascertain whether the provisions of the current Town of Ajax Traffic By-law, as amended, are obeyed and to enforce or carry into effect the said By-law;

> Mike Naumienko Thedore Ted Grozdanis Kent Chung

- 2. The authority granted in Section 1 hereto is specifically limited to that set out in Section 1, and shall not be deemed, at any time, to exceed the authority set out in Section 1.
- 3. These appointments shall expire upon those persons set out in Section 1 ceasing to be an authorized agent of 613 Kingston Road West.
- 4. By-law Number 97-2009 is hereby repealed.

READ a first and second time this leventh day of April, 2011.
READ a third time and passed this leventh day of April, 2011.
Mayor
D-Clerk

# **BY-LAW NUMBER 37-2011**

A By-law to appoint a Board of Management for the Downtown Ajax Business Improvement Area

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Ajax has passed By-Law 140-81, as amended, which provides for the establishment of the Downtown Ajax Business Improvement Area and the appointment of a Board of Management thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax enacts as follows:

1. The following Directors of the Downtown Ajax Business Improvement Area are appointed to the Board of Management for a term expiring November 30, 2010 or until their successors are appointed:

Jeffrey Wilson Janet Truppe Lora Tzoumis Joanne Dies (Council Representative)

2. That By-law 77-2009 be repealed.

# **BY-LAW NUMBER 38-2011**

Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax at its regular meeting of April 11, 2011

WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by By-law, unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and desirable that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by By-law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND IT IS HEREBY ENACTED as a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax by the Council thereof as follows:

- 1. That the actions of the Council at its regular meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011 and in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting, is, except where the prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board or other body is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-law.
- 2. That the Head of the Council and proper officers of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain appropriate approvals where required, except where otherwise provided, and to affix the Corporate Seal of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax to all such documents.

Eleventh da	y of April, 2011
	rd time and passed this y of April, 2011
	Mayor
	D-Clerk

DEAD a first and second time this

# Minutes of the regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax Held in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor - S. Parish

Regional Councillor - S. Collier

- C. Jordan

Councillors - M. Crawford

- R. Ashby

- J. Dies

- P. Brown

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Parish called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

# 3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: P. Brown Seconded by: M. Crawford

That the Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 28, 2011 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Delegation and Petitions/Public Hearings

# 4.1 Road Watch 2011 Update

Mr. M. D'Mello, Chair, Ajax/Pickering Road Watch Committee, provided information with respect to the overall mandate of the organization as well as in relation to the process with which complaints are lodged and investigated by Durham Region Police Services. He also presented statistics with respect to the results of the speed board program over the last several years and summarized the various challenges with respect to the operation of a Road Watch program. Mr. D'Mello identified several positive trends resulting from the road watch program, noting that the group would be reviewing the feasibility of running a speed board program in the winter and developing a partnership with the School Boards to participate in the school guarding program. Interested residents were encouraged to visit www.ajaxpickering roadwatch.com in order to utilize the online citizen report form and to apply for a volunteer position.

Council stressed the importance of reducing speeding on local roads and commended Mr. D'Mello and the Ajax/Pickering Road Watch Committee for the service it provides to the community.

# 4.2 Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade Update

Ms. D. McFarlane, President, Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade, delivered a presentation and provided an update with respect to the recent initiatives of the Ajax Pickering Board of Trade. She discussed the mandate of the board, noting that it assists in the provision of various services to its members including education and training as well as advocacy on behalf of the local business community at large. Several meetings are held each year in order to provide these services in addition to organizing fundraising activities for local not-for-profit agencies. As a result of a recent survey to members, Ms. McFarlane noted several issues identified as priorities of the business community including; economic development in relation to the marketing of existing and future business opportunities in Ajax-Pickering, energy conservation, transportation in relation to the widening of Highway 401 and extension of Highway 407 as well as the status of the proposed Pickering airport. She thanked Council and staff for their continued efforts in developing the partnership with the board and the local business community. She also encouraged those interested to attend an open house of the board's new office space located at 144 Old Kingston Road, Suite 3. The open house will take place on April 14 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., with a ribbon cutting and keynote address by Mayor Parish at 5 p.m.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Parish commended the efforts of the Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade in supporting the local business community. He noted that the creation and enhancement of local jobs in Ajax was a key priority identified by Council within the 2011-2014 strategic plan.

#### 4.3 Ajax Green Living Days

Ms. T. Chala, Sustainability Coordinator, provided information regarding the Ajax Green Living Days "It's Time to Act!" event in which several activities would be held from April 13 to 17, 2011. She presented an overview of the numerous events and initiatives to be held in conjunction with the event including; several speaker sessions with renowned authors and specialists, a 20 minute makeover challenge, various tree planting and litter pick up events, an open house held at the new LEED certified Town Operations Centre as well as several other programs designed for children and families.

Council encouraged residents to visit the Town's website for further information and participate in the various activities.

#### 5. Correspondence

The following item of correspondence was attached for Council's action

a) Municipality of Clarington: Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation Support

That the resolution of the Municipality of Clarington regarding support for the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation be endorsed.

The following items of correspondence were attached for Council's information:

- i) Ministry of Infrastructure: Ontario's 10 Year Infrastructure Plan
- ii) Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration: Lincoln Alexander Award 2011

iii) Region of Durham: Notice of Commencement of Stage One of the Durham Highway 2 Bus Rapid Transit Project

Moved by: C. Jordan Seconded by: J. Dies

That the report dated April 11, 2011 containing Items of Correspondence be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

# **Addendum Item**

With the consent of all Members present, an item of correspondence containing a resolution of the Municipality of Clarington with respect to solar energy project in urban valley lands referred to staff at the March 28, 2011 meeting of Council was considered.

b) Municipality of Clarington: Solar Energy Projects in Urban Valley Lands

Moved by: C. Jordan Seconded by: P. Brown

That the resolution of the Municipality of Clarington regarding solar energy projects in urban valley lands be endorsed.

**CARRIED** 

# 6. Reports

#### 6.1 Community Affairs & General Government Committee

None

# 6.2 General Government Committee Reports

Moved by: M. Crawford Seconded by: S. Collier

That the General Government Committee Report dated April 7, 2011 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.3 Advisory Committee Reports

Moved by: J. Dies Seconded by: P. Brown

That Advisory Committee minutes from January and February 2011 as attached to the meeting agenda be received for information and that all substantive recommendations be referred to staff for review.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.4 Departmental Reports

None

# 6.5 Ajax Public Library Board Report

Moved by: M. Crawford Seconded by: C. Jordan

That the Ajax Public Library Board Report dated April 11, 2011 be received for information

**CARRIED** 

# 7. Regional Councillors' Reports

Regional Councillor Collier and Regional Councillor Jordan provided a brief overview of their reports attached to the meeting agenda. It was noted that staff from Durham Region Transit Services would be in attendance at a forthcoming meeting of Council to discuss several changes with respect to service levels in Ajax.

Moved by: P. Brown Seconded by: M. Crawford

That the Regional Councillor's Reports dated April 11, 2011 be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. Business Arising from Notice of Motion

None

# 9. Passing of By-laws

Moved by: C. Jordan Seconded by: S. Collier

That By-law numbers 35-2011 to 37-2011 be read a first and second time.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by: S. Collier Seconded by: P. Brown

That By-law numbers 35-2011 to 37-2011 be read a third time and passed.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10. Notice of Motion

None

#### 11. Other Business

None

D-Clerk

12.	<b>Question Period</b>		
	None		
13.	New Business - No	tices & Announcements	
14.	Confirming By-Law	,	
	Moved by: Seconded by:	S. Collier C. Jordan	
		r 38-2011 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Coown of Ajax at its regular meeting held on April 11, 2011 be read	
	second time		CARRIED
	Moved by: Seconded by:	S. Collier P. Brown	
	That By-law number	38-2011 be read a third time and passed.	CARRIED
15.	Adjournment		
	Moved by: Seconded by:	R. Ashby S. Collier	
	That the April 11, 20	11 meeting of the Council of the Town of Ajax be adjourned. (7:4	16 p.m.) CARRIED
			Mayor