

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WASAGA BEACH**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Held Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.  
In the Council Chamber**

**PRESENT:**

|                 |                              |
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| C. Patterson    | Mayor                        |
| D. Foster       | Deputy Mayor                 |
| R. Anderson     | Councillor                   |
| M. Bercovitch   | Councillor                   |
| N. Bifulchi     | Councillor                   |
| G. Watson       | Councillor                   |
| S. Wells        | Councillor                   |
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| G. Vadeboncoeur | Chief Administrative Officer |
| T. Nicholson    | Clerk                        |
| P. Archdekin    | Deputy Clerk                 |
| M. Quinlan      | Treasurer                    |
| D. Henry        | Human Resources              |

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor Foster declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the Community Services Committee Report; Special Events Report item i) Terry Fox Run as he is the event organizer.

Councillor Bifulchi declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to Development Committee Report item 5a)i) due to a family owned property adjacent to the closed County landfill and Council Agenda item 10) for the same reasons.

### **3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOVED BY G. WATSON  
SECONDED BY F. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-01

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, plus the holding of one (1) Public Meeting held Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, are hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

#### **Special Meeting of Council**

MOVED BY R. ANDERSON  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-02

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the Classroom, are hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

### **4. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS**

#### **DEPUTATION**

- a) **Mrs. Sue Bragg of Gaviller & Co. – presentation of the Annual Financial Return**

Mayor Patterson welcomed Mrs. Bragg of Gaviller & Co. and the Town's Treasurer, Mrs. Quinlan, to the table.

Mrs. Quinlan provided a brief overview of the 2012 statements. Mrs. Quinlan spoke to highlights and the surplus funds of \$600,000.00 being divided into two accounts. She spoke to the balance sheet highlights; capital investments, investing in a bond portfolio, collectables, development charges; noted that the long term liabilities have decreased and net tax receivables have decreased to what is considered a moderate risk level.

Councillor Wells noted that while the tax arrears have declined to a moderate risk; he hopes the Town will continue to focus on working towards a low risk rating. Mrs. Quinlan noted that they strived for a moderate risk level and tax arrears are always collected through tax sale. Staff will continue to work with residents to avoid tax sale positions and work out payment schedules. Twice a year staff review which properties are in tax sale position.

Councillor Wells extended congratulations to Treasury on achieving a moderate risk level and hopes staff continue to reduce that outstanding debt level.

Mayor Patterson noted that there is a fifteen percent (15%) return on outstanding taxes which is a significant income for the Town. He congratulated staff on reducing the outstanding balance to the lowest he has seen it in twenty two (22) years.

Mrs. Bragg then provided an Auditors perspective to the 2012 Financial Statements. She advised that this year there is a new format for presenting the Town's Financial Statements and she will present the Audit highlights. Mrs. Bragg advised that Gaviller's staff do not look at every receipt and invoice but assess the controls and evaluate all materials. They look at variances between budget and actual and there was a reassessment during the year due to land in the Business Park that is not Town owned. This did not produce an impact on the income back to 2006.

Statements are represented on a consolidated basis which includes the Library and Geosands Inc. Mrs. Bragg spoke to the annual surplus and \$600,000.00 being split into two reserves. The Town's cash and investments are healthy and for the first time excess cash has been invested into a bond portfolio. She reminded Council that not all the cash is readily available as it is made up of a number of different things. Tax receivables decreased during the year with a decline from 16% to 13%, which the Auditors like to see.

Mrs. Bragg confirmed that overall the Town's reserve balance is healthy; debt is lower than average for municipalities of the same size and the Town has been able to keep taxes relatively low. Mrs. Bragg complimented the Town Treasury staff on how easy they are to work with and Gaviller's staff; all want to do the audit in Wasaga Beach. Mrs. Bragg extended kudos to Mrs. Quinlan and the staff.

Mayor Patterson thanked Mrs. Bragg for her comments about our staff and noted Council is very proud of the Town's financial position.

Councillor Bercovitch thanked the Chief Administrative Officer and Treasury staff noting that he hopes Council will consider putting a portion of the \$600,000 into the 2014 tax rates.

Councillor Watson advised that he looks forward to this report each year. The Town has a strong financial report and commended the Treasury staff and Gaviller's staff. He noted this Council and previous Councils have done a great job of making Wasaga Beach a financially stable municipality.

Mayor Patterson thanked Mrs. Quinlan and her financial staff for all the work on the Audit and Financial Reports as well as the Chief Administrative Officer.

**b) Mary Picard & Solicitor - respect to the awarding of the Knox Road East Contract**

The Mayor noted that Ms. Picard was not present at this time.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE – Received for Information**

**a) Ainley, Class Environmental Assessment, Nottawasaga River Bridge, Notice of Public Information Centre No. 1**

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-03

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive the Ainley, Class Environmental Assessment, Nottawasaga River Bridge, Notice of Public Information Centre No. 1, for information.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE – Requiring Action**

**a) Recreation and Parks Month – June 2013**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER

SECONDED BY G. WATSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-04

WHEREAS recreation and parks contribute to the quality of life in every municipality across Ontario and Canada; and,

WHEREAS Wasaga Beach promotes year round use of its recreational activities, parks and trails; and,

WHEREAS the 2013 theme is “Live it Every Day”;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that Council does hereby declare the month of June 2013 as “Recreation and Parks Month” in the Town of Wasaga Beach.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE – To be Referred - None**

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

## **7. COMMITTEE & OTHER BOARDS REPORTS**

### **a) General Government – May 16, 2013**

Councillor Anderson spoke to the highlights of the Report and it was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-05

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the General Government Committee Report dated May 16, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

### **b) Community Services – May 21, 2013**

Deputy Mayor Foster's previously declared Pecuniary Interest was noted and he withdrew from the table.

Councillor Watson spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY G. WATSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-06

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Community Services Committee Report dated May 21, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Foster resumed his place at the table.

### **c) Committee of the Whole – May 21, 2013**

Mayor Patterson spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH

SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-07

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated May 21, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

**d) Development Committee – May 22, 2013**

Deputy Mayor Foster noted that he declared a Pecuniary Interest at Development Committee with respect to Item 5e) as he owns lands in the proximity.

Councillor Bifulchi spoke to the highlights and noted that earlier she did declare a conflict and will vote on all items with the exception of the declared Pecuniary Interest item. It was then;

MOVED BY R. ANDERSON  
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-08

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Development Committee Report dated May 22, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

**e) 2012 Audited Consolidated Financial Report**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER  
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-09

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive the 2012 Consolidated Financial Report for information.

CARRIED

**f) Accounts – April 1-30, 2013**

Councillor Anderson noted that all accounts have been reviewed at the individual Committee meetings. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-10

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby confirm the Accounts for April 1-30, 2013 in the amount of \$2,344,958.97.

CARRIED

**8. NOTICES OF MOTION – None**

**9. MOTIONS – WHERE NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN -**  
None

**10. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

- a) **A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2007-38, being a By-Law to License, Regulate and Govern Businesses carried on within the Municipality**

Councillor Anderson expressed concerns with this By-Law amendment. He did not believe staff was specialists in this area or that they had the expertise to deal with this. It is such a short summer season and an appeal can take up to five (5) weeks. A person would be out of business for a good part of the summer. He felt it was very open-ended and subjective to one person's decision about which business license to revoke. Councillor Anderson felt the statement "to have control over employees" would be very hard to control. In referring to an incident that occurred with private business and lack of payment to staff, Councillor Anderson noted that Council has had no proof of any records or laws that were broken.

Mayor Patterson advised that he will support the By-Law as it will only affect those who are not operating within the By-Law and the amendment brings us into conformity with the *Municipal Act*.

Councillor Watson advised that he will not support the By-Law as he believes the Business Licensing By-Law already has lots of "teeth" to deal with issues. He felt this By-Law gave too much power to few people.

Deputy Mayor Foster stated the impact will be negligible and will only have an impact on those who do not abide by the rules. By-Laws have to have "teeth" and some way of enforcement to impact those who choose not to follow the rules. He believes this is a necessary change and won't have any impact on most businesses. He believed that if a business is here to provide seasonal or year round business, this will only raise the bar. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-11

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2007-38, being a By-Law to License, Regulate and Govern Businesses carried on within the Municipality be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-43.

CARRIED

- b) A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2005-17, being a By-Law to Establish Rates and Regulations for the Parking of Vehicles within the Town of Wasaga Beach (24<sup>th</sup> Street Lot)**

Councillor Bercovitch noted that he was pleased this By-Law was being presented as it will make it easier for residents to access our beautiful beaches. It was then;

MOVED BY G. WATSON

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-12

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2005-17, being a By-Law to Establish Rates and Regulations for the Parking of Vehicles within the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-44.

CARRIED

- c) A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 96-10, being a By-Law to Prohibit or Regulate Signs and Other Advertising Devices and the Posting of Notices within the Town of Wasaga Beach**

MOVED BY S. WELS

SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-13

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 96-10, being a By-Law to Prohibit or Regulate Signs and Other Advertising Devices and the Posting of Notices within the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-45.

CARRIED

- d) A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2013-25, being a By-Law to Establish a Wage Grid for Non-Union Employees**

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH

SECONDED BY G. WATSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-14

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2013-25, being a By-Law to Establish a Wage Grid for Non-Union Employees, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-46.

CARRIED



**e) A By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended (Valeriani – 103b 32<sup>nd</sup> St. S.)**

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI  
SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-15

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-47.

CARRIED

**f) A By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, As Amended (45<sup>th</sup> and Puccini Dr.)**

MOVED BY G. WATSON  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-16

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-48.

CARRIED

**g) A By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended (Villas of Upper Wasaga, Phase 1, south of Wasaga Sands Dr. and east of County Rd. 7)**

MOVED BY R. ANDERSON  
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-17

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-49.

CARRIED

- h) A By-Law to Deem Part of Plan 758, Town of Wasaga Beach, Not To Be a Registered Plan of Subdivision (Masson, Lot 20, Plan 758, Knox Rd. E.)**

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH  
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-18

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Deem Part of Plan 758, Town of Wasaga Beach, Not To Be a Registered Plan of Subdivision, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-50.

CARRIED

- i) A By-Law to Adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 32 to the Official Plan of the Town of Wasaga Beach**

MOVED BY R. ANDERSON  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-19

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 32 to the Official Plan of the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-51.

CARRIED

- j) Confirmatory By-Law**

MOVED BY G. WATSON  
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10-20

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach at its Special Meeting held Thursday, May 16, 2013 and its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 28, 2013, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-52.

CARRIED

## **11. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Bercovitch attended the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Travel Time; ribbon cutting at WuWu's Cabins; public information meeting on a proposed additional bridge over the Nottawasaga River; Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting; Housing Strategy Implementation meeting; United Church fundraiser; Georgian Triangle Walk for Hospice; A workshop regarding the Design of Public Spaces to kick off National Accessibility Week with the Town Clerk and noted that Church buildings will not be forced to retrofit for accessibility.

Councillor Anderson attended a couple of General & Marine Hospital meetings.

Councillor Wells acknowledged the birth of his new granddaughter; attended the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Travel Time; opening of WuWu's Cabins; Nottawasaga Bridge meeting noting there are concerns with location and this is a long term planning endeavor, not something for the near future. Councillor Wells attended a Source Water Implementation Strategy meeting; Adopt a Road; memorial service for the Mother of Barb Wolf and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations for Paul and Marianne Groby.

Deputy Mayor Foster spoke to the passing of his Mother last week and thanked the Mayor and Councillor Watson for attending the funeral noting their attendance was appreciated by the family. Deputy Mayor Foster attended the Hike for Hospice; Housing Strategy meeting and County Council.

Councillor Bifulchi attended an NVCA Strategic Planning meeting; WuWu's Cabins ribbon cutting and the Housing Strategy meeting.

Councillor Watson attended the Housing Strategy for Affordable Housing meeting; ribbon cutting for WuWu's Cabins; Hike for Hospice and Purina Dog Guides walk; ReMax yard sale for the Cure; landfill site meeting and a proposed new bridge meeting hosted by Ainley's.

Mayor Patterson attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting; 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Travel Time; installation of the 500<sup>th</sup> Defibrillator in a school in Bradford; met with Mayors Lehman and Orzi; attended Port McNichol Port of Rama Festival; WuWu's Cabins ribbon cutting; ribbon cutting for the War of 1812 Travelling Exhibit; funeral services for Deputy Mayor Foster's Mother; Breakfast at the Centre for Business in Collingwood; County Strategic Planning meeting; Chaired a Housing Strategy Meeting; met with Minister Kent on water levels and Minister Baird; attended the Save a Life CPR Day; Purina Dog Guide walk and the Walk for Hospice.

**12. CALLING OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

|                       |                                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Public Works          | June 6 <sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.  |
| Development Committee | June 12 <sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. |
| Community Services    | June 18 <sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. |
| General Government    | June 13 <sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. |

COWOC – Call of the Chair

**13. QUESTION PERIOD**

*“A fifteen (15) minute session wherein persons in attendance at the Regular Meeting of Council have an opportunity to raise questions pertaining to items that were dealt with by Council on the evening’s Agenda.”*

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Patterson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

The Minutes of this meeting were approved by Council the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013.

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Cal Patterson, Mayor

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Twyla Nicholson, Clerk