



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RAMARA**

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**MINUTES**

**TOWNSHIP OF RAMARA**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2000**

The first regularly scheduled meeting for the month of February of the Council of the Township of Ramara was held in the Council Chambers with the following members and staff in attendance:

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| Mayor                      | Thomas Garry    |
| Deputy Mayor               | Dan McMillan    |
| Councillor                 | Marilyn Brooks  |
| Councillor                 | John Ferguson   |
| Councillor                 | Nadir Jamal     |
| Councillor                 | Neal Snutch     |
| Councillor                 | Norm Whitney    |
| CAO/Clerk                  | Richard Bates   |
| Assistant to the CAO/Clerk | Janice McKinnon |
| Treasurer                  | Margaret Black  |
| Planning Secretary         | Kitty Bavington |

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

Mayor Garry opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Garry advised that he attended the Atherley Community Centre Family Skate at the outdoor rink on February 13, 2000. Councillors Snutch and Whitney were also in attendance.

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.28.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, dated January 24, 2000 be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.29.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, dated February 5, 2000 (Kaiser-Reid Public Meeting), be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

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**3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Councillor Jamal declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item 7.1, cheque number 013092, the nature being Councillor Jamal was the payee of the said cheque. Councillor Jamal did not participate in discussion or vote on Item 7.1

**4. PUBLIC MEETINGS**

- 4.1 As required under The Planning Act, and pursuant to the Council policy, Council is holding a Public Meeting prior to either adopting or rejecting a proposed zoning bylaw amendment for **File Z-16/99, Part Lot 10, Concession 10, Mara, Irvin and Adelia Page, and the Udney United Church Cemetery.**

The Mayor advised that if a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Ramara Township Council in respect to the proposed zoning bylaw, does not make oral submissions at a Public Meeting, or make written submissions to the Ramara Township Council before the proposed zoning bylaw is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

Council has made no decision on this matter, and is neither in support or opposition. We want everyone present to have a chance to make a statement. All comments and submissions will be considered by Council.

The Mayor enquired if there were any members of the public present, other than the applicant or agent, that would like to address this?

With there being no questions from the public, the Mayor enquired if Council had any questions or comments. No comments were made from Council.

The Mayor advised that any person who has not spoken or who has not received Notice of the meeting, wishes to receive Notice of the Passing of the amendment, to please leave your name, address and phone number with the Township staff before leaving.

The Mayor closed the public Meeting and advised Council will take any comments into consideration prior to making a decision.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.30.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT we have considered the comments of the Public Meeting and Staff Report PD-7-2000 dated February 14, 2000, regarding proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment, File Z-16/99, Irvin and Adelia Page.

AND THAT we amend Zoning Bylaw #1368 to change a parcel of land, being 15 metres wide and 177 metres deep on Part of Lot 10, Concession 10, Mara, from "Development Exception No. 1" (D-1) to "Community Facility" (CF) Zone, to permit a cemetery use.

**CARRIED.**

- 4.2 A Public Meeting was held under The Municipal Act, R. S.O. 1990, c. M. 445, s. 442(5). Mayor Garry advised those present that this was their opportunity to address Council with respect to the applications for cancellation, reduction or refund of taxes.

Ross Pilger, R. R. #1 Washago addressed Council requesting his taxes be reduced. The Treasurer, Margaret Black explained to Mr. Pilger that the application to reduce his taxes was as a result of the fire that razed his barn. Mr. Pilger was in agreement with the reduction and he was advised that if he wished a reduction of assessment of his property, that application must be made to the Regional Assessment Office.

There were no other applicants present wishing to address Council and Mayor Garry concluded the public meeting.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.31.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Staff Report TR-03-00 dated February 14, 2000, regarding Application for Adjustment of Taxes under Sections 441 and 442 of the Municipal Act, be received.

AND THAT the applications for Cancellation, Reduction, or Refund of Taxes under Sections 441 and 442 of the Municipal Act, as listed on Schedule "A" attached to Report TR-03-00, be approved in the amount of \$21,789.09.

**CARRIED.**

**5. DEPUTATIONS AND RECEIVING OF PETITIONS**

- 5.1 Ron Bower, Plant Manager of Stepan Canada Inc. addressed Council with respect to a recent Consent Order issued by Ministry of the Environment and Energy.

Mr. Bower advised that the purpose of the Consent Order issued is to allow Stepan the opportunity to have their environmental specialists review the discharge of contaminants into Lake St. John and provide recommendations the company may follow to conform to compliance requirements.

Stepan have retained the services of environmental experts to review the requirements for compliancy and supply the Ministry of Environment and Energy with a response to the Consent Order. Mr. Bower further advised that it is expected the report will be completed later this week and he will ensure that Council receive a copy of the report by Monday, February 21, 2000.

Council was advised that Stepan is currently in negotiations with the former owner of the property which was Domtar. The property was found to have soil contamination of P.C.B.'s which occurred under the ownership of Domtar. Mr. Bower advised that the soil contamination was under some of the buildings and the soil has been removed and shipped to Montreal as hazardous waste. The interior of the buildings have been removed in order to access the soil and new structures have been made.

Council had numerous questions for Mr. Bower including whether the effluent was a septic problem, the possibility of using a loop cooling process and the possibility that Stepan use trucks instead of the rail lines.

Mr. Bower indicated that the effluent being discharged was as a result of the manufacturing process and did not have anything to do with the septic system and he advised that Stepan currently removes approximately 800 gallons per minute of water from Lake St. John which is used to cool the system and is returned to Lake St. John. Stepan is reviewing the process and the possibility of installation of a loop system when the entire system is upgraded. Stepan currently utilizes both rail and trucks to bring chemicals to the plant and he noted that the rail system for moving chemicals from Fort Saskatchewan is currently the safest mode of transportation and they do not anticipate changing to more trucks instead of rails.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.32.2000

**MOVED BY: JAMAL**

**SECONDED BY: BROOKS**

THAT the deputation by Ron Bower, Plant Manager, Stepan Canada Inc., regarding the Environmental Protection Act, be received.

AND THAT we thank him for his comments.

**CARRIED.**

- 5.2 John Martin, Margaret and Everett LeBarr, Barbara Walton and Linda and Mark Weibe, representing The Scotch Hills Community

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.33.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: FERGUSON**

THAT we now enter "in camera" at 7:30 p.m. in order to hear a deputation by John Martin, Margaret and Everett LeBarr, Barbara Walton and Linda and Mark Weibe, representing The Scotch Hills Community, regarding a complaint.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR. 34.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: FERGUSON**

THAT we now Rise and Report from "in camera" at 7:55 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.35.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: FERGUSON**

THAT the deputation by John Martin, Margaret and Everett LeBarr and Barbara Walton, representing The Scotch Hills Community regarding a complaint, be received.

AND THAT we thank them for their comments.

**CARRIED.**

**6. TENDER OPENING REPORT**

7. **PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.36.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Accounts Voucher #3, dated February 14, 2000 in the amount of \$386,271.26 be approved.

**CARRIED.**

8. **ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.37.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Items of Information 8.1 to 8.32 inclusive, as listed on the Agenda dated February 14, 2000, be received.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.38.2000

**MOVED BY: JAMAL**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the correspondence from Michael Power AMO President received January 24, 2000, regarding AMO Conference 2000, be received.

AND THAT we appoint Nadir Jamal to attend the AMO Conference 2000, August 13-16, 2000 in Ottawa.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.39.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the correspondence from the Assessment Review Board, dated January 14, 2000, regarding Municipal Waiver authorizing OPAC to enter into Settlements on behalf of Municipalities, be received.

AND THAT we authorize the Regional Assessment Commissioner to enter into settlements of complaint under Sections 39.1 (reconsiderations); 33, 34 and 40 (settlements); and 40.1 (palpable errors) on behalf of the Township.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.40.2000

**MOVED BY: WHITNEY**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT the copy of correspondence from the County of Simcoe to the Minister of Transportation dated January 31, 2000, regarding a resolution of the City of Brampton respecting the Highway 407 Electronic Toll Road, be received.

AND THAT we support the resolution and they be so advised.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.41.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: MCMILLAN**

THAT the resolution from the City of Niagara Falls, dated January 21, 2000 regarding the Young Offenders Act, be received.

AND THAT we support the resolution and the City of Niagara Falls, the Minister of Justice & Attorney General of Canada be so advised.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.42.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: MCMILLAN**

THAT the correspondence from the City of Barrie dated January 18, 2000, regarding a resolution on Land Ambulance Services, be received.

AND THAT we ask the City of Barrie to attend a meeting and make a presentation to Council.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.43.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the correspondence from the Ramara Public Library dated February 9, 2000, regarding Freedom to Read Week, be received.

AND THAT we declare the week February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2000 as "Freedom to Read Week" in Ramara Township.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.44.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the correspondence from the Orillia and District Chamber of Commerce, dated February 1, 2000, be received.

**CARRIED.**

**9. REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.45.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT we defer Item CW.33.00 of Committee of the Whole Meeting Report 02/00 A until February 28, 2000.

**LOST.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.46.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Report 02/00 Section A, of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 7, 2000, be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.47.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: FERGUSON**

THAT Report 02/00 Section B, of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 7, 2000, be adopted.

Councillor Whitney requested a recorded vote on the attached resolution #CR.47.2000, Report 02/00 B

Councillor Brooks	yes
Councillor Ferguson	yes
Mayor Garry	yes
Councillor Jamal	yes
Deputy Mayor McMillan	no
Councillor Snutch	yes
Councillor Whitney	no

**CARRIED.**

**10. ITEMS REQUIRING THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.48.2000

**MOVED BY: WHITNEY**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT Staff Report CD-12-2000, dated February 14, 2000, regarding Release of Drainage Easement, 81 Lake Avenue, be received.

AND THAT we advise Mr. Toth that the drainage easement which runs parallel to the northerly property line of his property located at 81 Lake Avenue, Conc. 4, Lot 79, Plan M-2, is no longer required;

AND THAT we are prepared to release the drainage easement and reconvey the easement area to him, under the condition that he is prepared to accept all Township costs associated with the transaction, including the Township's solicitor fees;

AND THAT the said transaction will commence once a deposit in the amount of \$300.00 has been received.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.49.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT the report from Mark Dorfman, dated February 9, 2000, regarding File Z-15/99, Kaiser-Reid, together with additional submissions received February 5-9, 2000, and correspondence from Brian Goodreid, RG Robinson, dated February 8, 2000 with site plan, be received.

AND THAT we advise no further notice be given with regards to the proposed zoning bylaw since the changes are minor in nature.

AND THAT any proposed zoning bylaw amendment establish a site specific Resort Commercial Exception No. Fourteen (C3-14) zone to:

- permit the year round storage of a maximum of 22 trailers in conjunction with a camping establishment; and
- establish a minimum exterior side yard of 6 metres (19.69 feet) for a camping establishment.

AND THAT we require the applicant to enter into a standard site plan agreement prior to passing the zoning bylaw amendment.

Councillor Jamal requested a recorded vote on the attached resolution CR.49.2000 re: Reid

Councillor Brooks	yes
Councillor Ferguson	yes
Mayor Garry	yes
Councillor Jamal	no
Deputy Mayor McMillan	yes
Councillor Snutch	yes
Councillor Whitney	yes

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.50.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT Report PD-1-2000 dated February 14, 2000 regarding Ramara Township Committee of Adjustment, be received.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.51.2000

**MOVED BY: WHITNEY**

**SECONDED BY: BROOKS**

THAT we enact an interim control bylaw pursuant to Section 38 of the Planning Act for the purposes of prohibiting intensive livestock operations within the Township until such time as we have prepared and considered a planning report dealing with nutrient management for intensive livestock operations.

AND THAT we instruct our planning consultant to prepare a land use planning study that examines the use and operation of large scale intensive livestock facilities within the Township.

AND THAT this study consider the matters of manure storage, minimum distance separation and nutrient management planning.

AND THAT this report be presented to Council as soon as possible.

**CARRIED.**

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- 11. UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS
- 12. ANNOUNCEMENT AND ENQUIRIES
- 13. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE

Mayor Garry advised that budget review for the Planning, Seniors and Children Services had taken place and will be included in the presentation of the budget on February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2000. He also advised that Deputy Mayor McMillan and himself have supported the initiative of the County to operate the Land Ambulance Service.

Other County items included:

- Transportation currently has 829 km of roads. Budget considerations included acquisition of lands, creation of “no parking” areas, encroachments, and speed limits in Oro Station. The committee was also advised that the Ministry of Transportation will be doing repairs on Highway #26 and the committee is recommending installation of bus stops at the Museum and Archives.
- County Council supported a request for Provincial, Federal and Municipal infrastructure programs.
- support was also given to the City of Brampton who are encouraging the Province to bring under control the fines and administration fees being charged by the private company running the toll routes in greater Toronto area.
- repairs to the council chambers and new seating arrangements were also supported.
- support was given to the Town of Penetanguishene with respect to the super jail.
- County Council also supported St. John’s Ambulance with respect to the defibrillator.
- requests for proposal for waste diversion has gone out
- General Services Committee tax rate is down but the levy is up.
- request for financial contribution to Georgian College in amount of \$750,000 was received and \$300,000. recommended.
- Soldier’s Memorial Hospital requested a donation of \$7 million and York Regional Hospital requested \$~~4.7~~ million. County recommending no contribution because they are not in the health services business and the health dollars should not be coming from County tax payers.

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- 14. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN
- 15. NOTICE OF MOTION
- 16. QUESTION PERIOD FOR MEDIA AND PUBLIC DEALING WITH AGENDA ITEMS

Larry Barton had the following questions regarding File Z-15/99, Kaiser-Reid.:

- clarification was requested regarding the non-conforming use of tent and trailers.
- how will six tents be controlled?
- what priority is given to landscape planning?
- why was there a reduction between Mark Dorfman’s report of October 18<sup>th</sup> to the report of February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2000 regarding the sq. ft. and the survey waters edge?
- why does the plan not show the 5 septic systems on the property?

Bruce Galway had the following comments and questions:

- Plumb Point Road is very dark at night and there are no reflectors or markings at the sharp turn.
- Cheque number 13159 in the amount of \$36,084.67 is that for modifying the pumps and to purchase generators?
- City of Barrie land ambulance service for Simcoe County proposal indicates the cost apportionment will be on the basis of a weighted taxable assessment, why and what does this mean?
- why was the County proposal for land ambulance service supported and opted for when it is not known if it is the lowest cost?
- Is there a meeting of Council next Monday?

Murray Martin requested some clarification regarding the library board request for the intellectual right to read.

## 17. **BILLS AND CONFIRMATION BYLAW**

Bill #2000.04 Execution of R.S.V.P Funding Program

Bill #2000.05 Amend Bylaw 99.07 (Library appointments)

Bill #2000.06 Amend Zoning Bylaw 1368 (Page - Udney Cemetery)

Bill #2000.07 Salaries and Honorariums

### RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.52.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Bills 2000.04, 2000.05, 2000.06 and 2000.07 as listed on the Agenda of February 14, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed as a bylaws.

**CARRIED.**

Bill #2000.08 Amend the Building Bylaw (98.35)

### RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.53.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: MCMILLAN**

THAT Bill number 2000.08 as presented to Council February 14, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed as a bylaw.

**CARRIED.**

Bill #2000.09 Interim Control Bylaw (Intensive Farming)

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.54.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Bill number 2000.09, Interim Control Bylaw, as presented to Council February 14, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed as a bylaw.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.55.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Bylaw 2000.11, a Bylaw to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED.**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

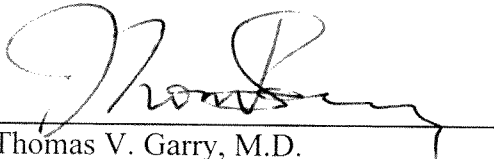
RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.56.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**


**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT we do now adjourn at 9:50 p.m. until February 28, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

**CARRIED.**



Thomas V. Garry, M.D.  
Mayor

  
Richard P. Bates, BAS, CET,  
CAO/Clerk