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**MINUTES**

**TOWNSHIP OF RAMARA**

**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2000**

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

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
Planning Secretary	Kitty Bavington

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

Mayor Garry opened the meeting by dedicating the Lord's Prayer in memory of Bruce Henderson.

Bruce Henderson was a very dedicated member of the Lagoon City Parks & Waterways Commission and contributed a lot to the Committee. His position on the Committee has been filled by Bruce Bayne and Mayor Garry indicated that filling Bruce Henderson's shoes will be a hard task.

Mayor Garry advised that he met with Christine Alana and Stephen Morgan, students of Brechin Public School on March 9, 2000. Christine and Stephen interviewed the Mayor with respect to migration to Ramara Township and the crime rates in the Township.

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.74.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, dated February 28, 2000 be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

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RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.75.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting, dated February 28, 2000, (Walker) be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.76.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting, dated February 28, 2000, (Attia Quarries) be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

**3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

None

**4. PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**5. DEPUTATIONS AND RECEIVING OF PETITIONS**

5.1 Ian Bender, Director of Planning, County of Simcoe, addressed Council with respect to land use planning procedures and the approval authorities.

Mr. Bender updated Council with respect to the County Official Plan status and the outcome of the appeals to same.

Changes to the County Planning Department, as a result of the downloading of approval authority, were outlined and Council were advised that the County is currently handling a large number of applications that were made prior to 1985 but not finished. As a result of the large work load, a larger staff complement was required.

In addition, Mr. Bender outlined the County's approval procedures and the possible improvements; transfer of subdivision and condominium approval authority to local municipalities; and certain exemptions from the County approval.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.77.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the deputation by Ian Bender, Director of Planning, County of Simcoe, be received.  
AND THAT we thank him for his comments.

**CARRIED.**

- 5.2 Dave Jolly, Chairperson of Ramara-Brechin Hydro addressed Council with respect to The Energy Competitions Act which restructures the electricity industry in the Province.

Mr. Jolly advised that the Commission currently has 137 customers, owns poles, wires, transformers, meters, a computer for billing and accounting and has also hired a part-time secretary who reads meters monthly and bi-monthly.

The Commission has reviewed the situation with respect to the changes in the electricity industry and is recommending to Council that the utility be sold to the highest bidder.

Council advised they will meet with the Township solicitor on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000 and discuss the matter at that time.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.78.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the deputation by Dave Jolly, Chairperson, Ramara-Brechin Hydro, be received.  
AND THAT we thank him for his comments.

**CARRIED.**

**6. TENDER OPENING REPORT**

**7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.79.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Accounts Voucher #5, dated March 13, 2000 in the amount of \$229,422.16 be approved.

**CARRIED.**

**8. ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.80.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Items of Information 8.1 to 8.19 inclusive, as listed on the Agenda dated March 13, 2000, be received.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.81.2000

**MOVED BY: JAMAL**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the resolution from The Corporation of the Township of South Glengarry, dated February 29, 2000, regarding the Provincial Water Protection Fund, be received.

AND THAT we support the resolution.

AND THAT we advise our Local MPP, Garfield Dunlop, and AMO of our support.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.82.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: MCMILLAN**

THAT the correspondence from the Organization of Small Urban Municipalities, dated March 1, 2000 and from the City of Belleville, dated January 28, 2000, regarding the OSUM 2000 Conference, be received.

AND THAT Neal Snutch and John Ferguson attend the OSUM 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference & Trade Show in Belleville on May 3, 4 and 5, 2000.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.83.2000

**MOVED BY: SNUTCH**

**SECONDED BY: FERGUSON**

THAT the correspondence from Ronald and Ghislaine Fridge dated February 21, 2000, regarding an application to the Ministry of Natural Resources to purchase the Crown lake bed in front of Lot 75, Plan M-40, and Part 10, Plan 51R-15298, Township of Ramara (Mara), known municipally as 183 Bayshore Drive, be received.

AND THAT we advise the Ministry we have no objections to this purchase.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.84.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT we amend the motion for Item 8.12 (Resolution No. CR.85.2000) to include "subject to any group or organization that has been asked to participate is given free passes to enter the fair".

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.85.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT the correspondence from the Carden Agricultural Society, dated February 11, 2000, regarding the 2000 Carden Agricultural Fair, be received.

AND THAT we advise a grant of \$300.00 will be forwarded, as amended.

**CARRIED.**

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RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.86.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT the correspondence from Eileen Andrews dated February 22, 2000, regarding the Brechin Library, be received.

AND THAT the letter be forwarded to the Library Board.

**CARRIED.**

**9. REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.87.2000

**MOVED BY: FERGUSON**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT Report 04/00, of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on March 6, 2000, be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

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

**11. UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS**

**12. ANNOUNCEMENT AND ENQUIRIES**

**13. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE**

Mayor Garry provided an update of information with respect to the County of Simcoe as follows:

Executive

- The resignation of Steen Klint, Director of Environmental Services, was received. Mr. Klint will be working in the private sector.
- The County supports the Town of Penetanguishene concerning the privatization of the correctional facilities.
- The County is also supporting Niagara Falls regarding the Young Offenders Act.

General

- Funding policy regarding hospitals will not be re-instated
- Remuneration and expenses for Councillors and officers of the Corporation were also discussed.

Transportation

- Additional roads were added to the list for load weight restrictions on County Roads
- Hiring R.J. Burnside and Associates with respect to County Roads 12 & 13 and bridges.
- Hiring R.G. Robinson with respect to signalization on County Road 90 and 10
- A report was received from the City of Brampton with respect to the Hwy.427/400 corridor.
- McCormick, Rankin has been hired with respect to a Roads Needs Study at a cost of \$8,000.
- The pedestrian crossover at Innisfil was not supported.

Environmental

- Extension of the Lease Agreement at Hardwood Hills
- Consent to the applications for waste oil processing
- Support for an agreement with Brendor Environmental Services for the operation of the County's Household Hazardous Waste facilities

Social

- Lease agreement with the City of Barrie
- Support Ontario Works Community Placement Funding in the amount of \$169,894.
- case load statistics
- Children's Services Quarterly report
- entering into an agreement for partnering for special needs

Planning

- Annual Report regarding County Forests was interesting
- Annual Report of Bylaw Enforcement Officer
- Wildland Fire agreement County vs. other municipalities
- Tree cutting application
- Delegation of approval of minor changes to plans of subdivision
- Summary of Planning activities throughout the County

Wardens Pace - April 29, 2000 - Barrie Raceway

Wardens Picnic - June 23, 2000 - Museum

Deputy Mayor McMillan provided the following with respect to the County:

- County - superjail - referred to letter sent to Lindsay
- purchase of CPR lands for \$1.85 million from forestry reserves - no contaminants next to museum and archives
- 2% decrease in the budget (ambulance - \$3.3 million; Social Housing - \$10.7; Ontario Works and Children's Services - \$17.0; Property Assessment - \$3.4; Health Unit - \$2.9).

**14. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN**

**15. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**16. QUESTION PERIOD FOR MEDIA AND PUBLIC DEALING WITH AGENDA ITEMS**

Bruce Galway inquired with respect to the following:

- why are building permits being increased by 50 or 100% when fees are up 83% and building values are down 14%?
- the budget is now adopted and has been passed out to the associations for their comments - is that the value you place on the associations?
- the budget contains a \$230,000. exposure in excess of 15% and you didn't do anything about it in this budget.
- Councillor Brooks commented that the Brechin library will be held open until end the of next year.

Win Robertson questioned what will happen to the ambulance service now that the County has taken over. We currently get terrific service from Beaverton.

Cliff Armstrong questioned why a public meeting was being set for Uptergrove Estates when only one of the conditions has been responded to by Mr. Noble.

Susan Hills of the Head River Conservation Association requested a deputation for next Monday with respect to the Attia Quarries.

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.88.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT we now enter in-camera at 8:40 p.m. to discuss a solicitor/client letter regarding the Jim Cronk and Wes Cronk subdivision agreements.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.89.2000

**MOVED BY: BROOKS**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT we now Rise and Report from in-camera at 9:35 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.90.2000

**MOVED BY: MCMILLAN**

**SECONDED BY: SNUTCH**

THAT we hire the firm of Michael Monteith Enterprises Limited, in accordance with their submission dated March 3, 2000, as construction manager for the Ramara Centre.

AND THAT a bylaw be prepared to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the appropriate contract.

**CARRIED.**

**17. BILLS AND CONFIRMATION BYLAW**

Bill #2000.14 Consent Amending Agreement (Jim Cronk)

Bill #2000.15 Consent Amending Agreement (Wes Cronk)

Bill #2000.16 Designate Weight Restriction of Vehicles on Township Roads

Bill #2000.17 Amend Building Bylaw 98.35 (Permits and Permit Fees)

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.91.2000

**MOVED BY: WHITNEY**

**SECONDED BY: JAMAL**

THAT Bills 2000.14, 2000.15, 2000.16 and 2000.17 as listed on the Agenda of March 13, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed as bylaws.

**CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.92.2000

**MOVED BY: JAMAL**

**SECONDED BY: WHITNEY**

THAT Bylaw 2000.21, a Bylaw to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at the meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000, be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED.**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

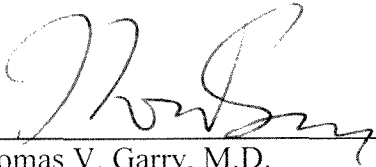
RESOLUTION NUMBER CR.93.2000

**MOVED BY: WHITNEY**

**SECONDED BY: BROOKS**

THAT we do now adjourn at 10:00 p.m. until March 27, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

**CARRIED.**



Thomas V. Garry, M.D.  
Mayor



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~~XXXXXXXX~~ Janice McKinnon,  
Acting Clerk