



**TOWN OF AURORA
GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA**

Tuesday, December 9, 2014
7 p.m.
Council Chambers

Councillor Abel in the Chair

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services be approved.

3. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

4. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

5. DELEGATIONS

6. PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR

7. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

- (a) Councillor Abel
Re: Town Acquisition of Downtown Real Estate Properties

- (b) **Councillor Abel** *pg. 207*
Re: Snow Plowing of Machell Park Pathway
- (c) **Councillor Abel** *pg. 208*
Re: Speed Cushions on Roads Prone to Speeders
- (d) **Councillor Abel** *pg. 209*
Re: Strategy to Remove Excessive Road Signage
- (e) **Councillor Mrakas** *pg. 210*
Re: Amendment(s) to the Temporary Sign By-law

9. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

10. CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council resolve into a General Committee Closed Session to consider:

1. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: Report PL14-069 – Appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board re Newell Committee of Adjustment Variance Application – D13-(25A-B)-14, 8 Kennedy Street East.
2. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: Report LLS14-041 – Litigation Status Update – Bondfield/NORR Settlement.

11. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA ITEMS

1. BBS14-015 – Accessibility Devices

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RECOMMENDED:

THAT report BBS14-015 be received for information.

2. CFS14-018 – WSIB Reserve Fund

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RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-018 be received; and

THAT the transfer of \$734,241 from the WSIB Reserve Fund to the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund be approved.

3. CFS14-026 – 2014 Operating Surplus/Deficit Control By-law

pg. 8

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-026 be received; and

THAT By-law 5637-14 be adopted to authorize the Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer to make any necessary year-end financial adjustments and to allocate any 2014 Operating Fund surplus in the following order of priority:

- i. That any unspent funds from various reserve funds allocated in the 2014 Budget for specific expenditures be returned to the respective original reserve fund sources from which they came; and
- ii. That any net Building Permit revenue surplus/deficit be allocated to/funded from the Building Permit Fees Reserve; and
- iii. That any Election 2014 surplus/deficit be allocated to/funded from the Election Reserve; and
- iv. That the remainder of any surplus be allocated to budget carry-forward items, being Council approved special projects or initiatives funded in the Operating Fund in the subject year, but not started by year end; and

- v. That up to a maximum of \$348,000.00 of any then remaining surplus be allocated to the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund to assist with the stabilization of tax rates in future years which may be subject to fluctuations due to significant changes in service levels or municipal costs, or changes in expected revenues; and
- vi. That the remainder of any surplus be allocated proportionately to the tax rate funded Repair & Replacement reserves; and

Or, alternatively, in the event of a year-end operating deficit, that adjustments i, and ii above are authorized, with the remaining net shortfall being funded from the Tax Rate Stabilization reserve; and

THAT the provisions made within By-law 5637-14 be adopted to authorize the Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer to allocate any 2014 surplus or alternatively fund any deficit in the Water, Wastewater, or Stormwater budgets to or from the appropriate related reserve accounts; and

THAT the adjustments authorized herein are to occur with an effective date of December 31, 2014, and which may be made prior to or after December 31, 2014; and

THAT the Treasurer and Chief Administrative Officer report to Council through General Committee after the year end surplus/deficit control adjustments and allocations have been performed.

4. CFS14-033 – Results of Tax Sale Held May 8, 2014

pg. 14

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-033 be received; and

THAT the Town write off the outstanding tax balances as uncollectible, and vest the parcel of land Property Roll number 1946-000-113-47786-0000 that was not sold in the Tax Sale of May 8, 2014, and this parcel of land be offered for sale to the abutting landowner; and

THAT the Town write off the outstanding tax balances as uncollectible, and vest the parcel of land Property Roll number 1946-000-021-73600-0000 that was not sold in the Tax Sale of May 8, 2014, and this parcel of land be offered for sale to the abutting landowners; and

THAT staff be authorized to enter negotiations for sale or transfer of the two above-noted properties as detailed in this report, and report back to Council prior to transfer; and

THAT the Town not vest at this time the parcel of land Property Roll number 1946-000-045-10800-0000 that was not sold in the Tax Sale of March 8, 2014 pending a report back to Council regarding the outcome of the ongoing site investigations being conducted by the Town.

5. CFS14-034 – 2015 Fees and Charges Update

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RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-034 be received; and

THAT the 2015 Fees and Charges for applications, permits, use of Town property, the sale of Town publications and for the prescribed service charges for administrative matters as itemized on the attached schedules be approved:

- Schedule A – General Fees and Charges
- Schedule B – Building and Bylaw Services
- Schedule C – Legal and Legislative Services
- Schedule D – Planning and Development Services
- Schedule E – Infrastructure and Environmental Services
- Schedule F – Corporate and Financial Services
- Schedule G – Parks and Recreation Services; and

THAT the necessary bylaw be enacted at the January 20, 2015 Council meeting in accordance with the Town's Notice Provision Policy.

6. CFS14-035 – Interim Operating Budget Forecast – as at October 31, 2014

pg. 49

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-035 be received for information.

7. CFS14-038 – Authorization to Execute Agreement: Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund – Formula-Based Component Funding Agreement

pg. 57

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-038 be received; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the standardized grant agreements, subject to the satisfaction of the Town Solicitor, for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund – Formula-Based Component; and

THAT the Treasurer be authorized to execute on behalf of the Town any progress reports or other submissions required in compliance with the terms of the funding agreements during the course of the funding and approved projects.

8. CFS14-039 – Annual Cancellation, Reduction or Refund of Property Taxes Under Sections 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act* *pg. 60*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-039 be received; and

THAT a meeting be held in accordance with Sections 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 as amended (the “Act”) in respect of the applications filed with the Treasurer by the owners of property listed in this report at which applicants may make representations; and

THAT property taxes in the amount \$66,273.58 be adjusted pursuant to Section 357 of the Act; and

THAT property taxes in the amount of \$6,679.14 be adjusted pursuant to Section 358 of the Act; and

THAT the associated interest applicable be cancelled in proportion to the property taxes adjusted; and

THAT the Director of Corporate & Financial Services, Treasurer be directed to remove said property taxes for the Collector’s Roll to reflect these property tax adjustments.

9. CFS14-040 – 2015 Interim Property Tax Levy *pg. 65*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report CFS14-040 be received; and

THAT By-law 5674-14 be adopted to authorize the levying of interim tax amounts on all rateable properties and to establish installment due dates.

10. IES14-057 – Facility Projects Status Report *pg. 68*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report IES14-057 be received for information.

11. LLS14-034 – Amendment to Subdivision Agreement – Whitwell Developments Limited and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company *pg. 77*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report LLS14-034 be received; and

THAT staff be directed to prepare an amendment to the existing subdivision agreement for the State Farm/Whitwell subdivision as outlined in report LLS14-034; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the amendment to the subdivision agreement for the State Farm/Whitwell subdivision, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

12. LLS14-037 – 2015 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar *pg. 86*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report LLS14-037 be received; and

THAT the requirements of sections 2.3 and 2.6 of the Procedural By-law be waived to permit the adoption of the 2015 Council and Committee meeting schedule attached to this report as Attachment #1; and

THAT the 2015 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar, attached to this report as Attachment #1, be approved; and

THAT the Town Clerk be authorized to make amendments to the Council and Committee Meeting Calendar as required.

13. LLS14-038 – Statutory and Mandatory Advisory Committees/Local Boards for the 2014-2018 Term of Council *pg. 102*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report LLS14-038 be received; and

THAT Council appoint three Members of Council to sit on the Joint Council Committee, which oversees the operation of the Central York Fire Services, as the Town of Aurora's representatives on the Committee; and

THAT staff be directed to advertise, in accordance with the provisions of the “Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards”, for applications from members of the public for appointment to statutory boards and committees, namely the Aurora Public Library Board, Committee of Adjustment/Property Standards Committee, Aurora Appeal Tribunal, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

14. LLS14-040 – Discretionary Advisory Committees for the 2014-2018 Term of Council *pg. 141*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report LLS14-040 be received; and

THAT Council provide direction on which discretionary advisory committees it wishes to reconstitute for the 2014-2018 Term of Office; and

THAT the revised “Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards” (Attachment 2) be approved.

15. PL14-070 – Planning Applications Status List *pg. 178*

RECOMMENDED:

THAT report PL14-070 be received for information.

16. Memorandum from Councillor Wendy Gaertner *pg. 204*
Re: Correspondence received from the Town of Collingwood regarding Reconsider Decision to Eliminate Home to Home Postal Delivery

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the memorandum regarding Correspondence received from the Town of Collingwood regarding Reconsider Decision to Eliminate Home to Home Postal Delivery be received; and

THAT Council provide direction.