



Town of East Gwillimbury

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COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Committee of the Whole Council met on Monday, February 7th and considered the following matters. These will be brought forward to the next Council meeting for adoption.

Mount Albert Business Association

A presentation was made to Council regarding increasing the profile of Mount Albert Business Area with promotional signage. Council supported increased exposure for business areas and staff will ask the Region and Province for permission to display directional signage on regional and provincial roads to help support businesses.

Economic Development

A work plan prepared by the Town's Economic Development Officer was reviewed and endorsed. A key component of the plan is the development of the Town's economic development strategy.

Emergency Services

The annual report of the Emergency Services Department was received. It is available for public viewing on the Town's web site at eastgwillimbury.ca.

Ontario Municipal Board decision

Staff indicated that a report will be provided to Council at its meeting February 28th regarding the OMB denial of an appeal that the Town should be divided into wards for the purpose of municipal elections.

404 Extension

Council heard a presentation by the provincial Ministry of Transportation regarding the extension of Highway 404 north from Green Lane to Ravenshoe Road. This new section of the highway is scheduled to be open to traffic in December 2012.

Included is a significant reforestation plan to compensate for the trees and vegetation that are being removed due to the construction. The reforestation plan includes planting 1,100 new butternut trees and approximately 10,000 other companion trees including white pine, white spruce, red & white oak, sugar maple, basswood, and white cedar. In total, 14 hectares (35 acres) will be planted and this provincial investment in East Gwillimbury will amount to about \$1.3 million.

Last July, the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority organized an event at the woodlot on Doane Road between Leslie St. and Woodbine Ave. in order to rescue native plants from one of the woodlots slated to be cut to make way for the extension of Highway 404. Approximately 200 people salvaged and relocated over 4,000 plants.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Accounts Analyst, Payroll/Accounts Payable - File No.: 11-07

For details please refer to the Town's website.

Please submit resumes by February 18, 2011 to:

Human Resources, Town of East Gwillimbury,
19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, ON L0G 1V0,

Tel: (905) 478-4282, Fax: (905) 478-8201

Email: hr@eastgwillimbury.ca

Website: www.eastgwillimbury.ca

An equal opportunity employer, the Town of East Gwillimbury abides by all current legislation relating to individual rights to employment under the Human Rights Code.

EAST GWILLIMBURY SOCCER CLUB

Register online at www.egsoccerclub.com

BUILDING PERMIT FEE REVISION

The Town of East Gwillimbury is proposing a revision to the "Building Permit Fee By-law" under Section 7 of the Building Code Act.

A general increase in the fees required to process building permit applications for structures and HVAC systems is proposed. A copy of the Staff Report dealing with the amount of the fee increase, new fees, and administration cost estimates is available for review on the Town webpage (www.eastgwillimbury.ca) or in the Planning & Building Services Department, Building Branch, of the Town of East Gwillimbury, 19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, Ontario.

A public meeting will be held on March 21, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the East Gwillimbury Civic Centre. The meeting will provide an opportunity for any person to make representation and comments on this matter. Written submissions on the matter are to be received by the Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday March 17th, 2011.

CONTRACT PR-2011-02

Holland Landing Community Centre Park, Grist Mill Park & Parkway Park Construction Renovation

No tenders will be faxed, e-mailed or couriered

For the construction renovation of Holland Landing Community Centre Park, Grist Mill Neighbourhood Park and Parkway Neighbourhood Park located in the communities of Holland Landing and Riverdrive Park respectively.

Sealed tenders, plainly marked as to contents, will be received by the Clerk of the Town of East Gwillimbury at the Municipal Offices, 19000 Leslie Street Sharon, Ontario, until 12:00 noon, on: Friday, March 4, 2011

Tender documents and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the General Manager, Community Programs & Infrastructure, upon payment to the Customer Care Department of a \$25.00 + H.S.T. (\$28.25) non-refundable fee for each set, and will be available on or after: Tuesday, February 15, 2011

Each tender for Contract PR-2011-02 must be accompanied by a certified cheque in the amount of \$5,000.00 as a bid deposit. Bid Bonds will not be accepted.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Tenders will be opened at 12:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers on: Friday, March 4, 2011.

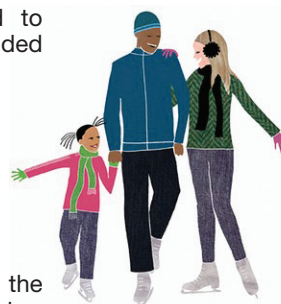
Questions regarding this tender may be addressed to Gary Shropshire, Director of Parks & Leisure Services, at 905 478-4282, or email gshropshire@eastgwillimbury.ca

FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 21st

Family Skate: We are pleased to announce that we have extended Family Skate for an additional hour.

Free Family Skating will run from 12:00pm-1:50pm.

The Crafts and Interactive Games portions of Family Day have been cancelled.



Town Offices: Please note that the Town offices will be closed Monday, February 21st.

PROPERTY TAXES DUE

The interim 2011 property tax bills were mailed the week of January 24, 2011.

Payment is due as follows:

1st installment due: February 28, 2011

2nd installment due: April 29, 2011

We encourage the payment of your tax bill through the pre-authorized tax payment.

Two pre-authorized payment plans are available for enrollment throughout the year, however, tax accounts must be current.

Option #1 – 10 Month Installment Plan
Withdrawal date is the 15th of each month.
Option #2 – Due Date Installment Plan

Payment can also be made by telephone/internet banking, at any Chartered Bank or in person by cash, cheque or direct debit at the Civic Centre.

All unpaid taxes will be charged an interest charge of 1.25% per month effective the 1st day of default.

Please contact the Finance Department at 905-478-4283 ext. 1229 if you did not receive a tax bill.

THINKING GREEN!



On average, water heaters are the second largest energy consumer in most homes, they can account for approximately 10-20% of your total energy bill. To reduce the amount of energy your water heater uses, you can turn the thermostat on your water heater down to 49°C (120°F); you can then work on reducing the amount of hot water consumed or wasted in your home. Installing low flow shower heads & faucets can cut the amount of water normally used in about half. Protecting your water heater with an insulation jacket is also a great idea; it is inexpensive & can significantly reduce energy consumption through heat loss by about 20-30%. Insulating your hot water pipes can also reduce heat loss & energy use. Keeping track of your home's water consumption & water heater will allow you save energy & money.

Holland Landing • River Drive Park • Mount Albert • Queensville • Sharon

For further information on your Town: WEB SITE: www.eastgwillimbury.ca PHONE: 905-478-4282 FAX 905-478-2808

E-MAIL: town@eastgwillimbury.ca MAIL TO: Town of East Gwillimbury, 19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, Ontario L0G 1V0