



## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Committee of the Whole Council met on February 28th and considered the following matters.

### Mount Albert adult life-style development

An application has been received from Dreamland Homes to build a 3-story, 70-unit seniors residence in Mount Albert on the west side of Centre Street, south of King. In May 2010 a community information meeting was held to discuss the idea with area residents and, in response to some concerns, Town staff have worked with the developer to amend the proposed development. A public meeting will be scheduled, possibly in April, for Council to receive input from the public on the revised proposal. Town residents living on surrounding properties will be notified in writing, and a sign will also be posted.

### Region project – Doane Road realignment

In order to accommodate traffic now and into the future, Doane Road will need to be reconstructed between Yonge St. and Woodbine Ave. with an interchange at Hwy. 404. The Region is proposing four lanes between 2nd Concession and Hwy. 404, and two lanes elsewhere. An environmental assessment is being carried out by the Region. From the five options originally proposed, two possible alignments are being considered. The Region is proposing another public information session in March to explain the preferred option and receive comments, and will advertise this to residents. They will subsequently report to Town Council. Construction is anticipated to be complete in 2015.

### Water & sewage rates

Prior to 2010, the water and sewage billing system included a “deemed minimum usage calculation” which assumed for billing purposes that everyone used a fixed minimum amount of water. This calculation is being phased out to enable all residents to have control over the variable portion of their bill. The new billing system being phased in includes a variable charge based on how much water is used plus a fixed charge to pay for such things as equipment maintenance and water quality testing. Phase two of this new billing system was approved for implementation in 2011.

### OMB decision

In December 2009, a petition was presented requesting that a ward system be established to replace the at-large system currently in place to elect Councillors in East Gwillimbury. Council considered the petition and decided at its March 22nd, 2010 meeting to place a question on the ballot of the October 2010 municipal election asking voters, “Are you in favour of the existing electoral system of electing four councillors at large in East Gwillimbury?” The votes cast with respect to the question on the ballot were as follows: 4,002 voted yes and 1,231 voted no.

The decision by Council not to proceed immediately with a ward system was appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. The board hearing was held in July 2010 and on February 7, 2011 the Town received the board decision denying the appeal. This OMB decision and the accompanying staff report are available on the Town’s website at [eastgwillimbury.ca](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca).

## PUBLIC MEETING

To be held by the Town of East Gwillimbury Council for proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments

Take notice that the Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury has received an application for an Official Plan Amendment & Zoning By-law Amendment under Sections 17 and 34 of the Planning Act, 1990, as amended. The subject property, 180 Hillcrest Drive is located on the northwest corner of Hillcrest Drive and 2nd Concession Road in the Community of Holland Landing, see map.

The applications, submitted by Conseil Scolaire de District Catholique Centre-Sud (French Catholic School Board) request permissions to construct an elementary school on private waste water services. The proposed elementary school is to be privately serviced on an interim basis until such time as municipal waste water services are available on the subject lands.

A public meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at the Civic Centre on Monday, March 21, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Additional information relating to the proposed Official Plan Amendment & Zoning By-law Amendment is available for inspection on the Town’s website or between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the Municipal Offices.



## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Landscape Architect  
Manager, Operations and Environmental Services  
Manager, Water and Wastewater Systems

For details please refer to the Town’s website [www.eastgwillimbury.ca](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca)

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](mailto:hr@eastgwillimbury.ca)

## EARTH HOUR

Earth Hour is now a worldwide campaign supporting the awareness of climate change. The goal during this hour is to join in and save as much energy as you can.

Here are a few energy saving tips; put a sweater on instead of turning up the heat, unplug electronics that are not in use such as phone chargers and turn off as many lights as you can.

This year let’s take Earth Hour beyond the hour. Think of what you can do each day that will benefit the planet at home and at work.

## SPRING SKATING

Register Now for spring skating in East Gwillimbury. Canskate Program March 23rd to April 27th. STARskate Program March 30th to May 30th, Test Day May 30th. Go to [www.egskatingclub.com](http://www.egskatingclub.com)

## MOSQUITO CONTROL – NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE

As in previous years, the granular biological control agent Vectobac (Bti) [No. 18158 registered under the *Pest Control Products Act (Canada)*] will be applied by helicopter to hardwood bush and areas with an abundance of standing water throughout the Town of East Gwillimbury during early to mid-April during daylight hours, weather permitting.

A map indicating the areas of application is available for viewing during regular business hours in the Town Civic Centre, Corporate Services Department and on the Town’s web site [eastgwillimbury.ca](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca). You must submit the mosquito submission form to the Town of East Gwillimbury in writing by no later than Friday, March 18th, 2011, indicating whether:

- you approve of having the Vectobac applied to you property; or
- you object to having the Vectobac applied to your property;

We encourage you to complete the mosquito submission form on-line at [eastgwillimbury.ca](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca)

You can also submit your form by mail, fax or email (please ensure to include your municipal address) to:

Fernando Lamanna, Legal & Council Support Services, Town of East Gwillimbury,  
19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, Ontario, L0G 1V0  
Email: [flamanna@eastgwillimbury.ca](mailto:flamanna@eastgwillimbury.ca)  
Tel: (905) 478-4282 ext 1240 Fax: (905) 478-2808



EARTH HOUR

Saturday March 26, 2011  
8:30 pm to 9:30 pm

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