

Council Highlights

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Healthy Water Award

The Town has received the Healthy Water Award from the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) for its LittaTrap program. The Town, in partnership with the LSRCA, conducted a pilot program to purchase, install and monitor 14 catchbasin filter devices (LittaTraps) within the Jackson's Point area. The filters were designed to capture run-off borne trash, debris and sediment to prevent these materials from entering the stormwater system and Lake Simcoe. The program was a success and the Town will look to expand it next year. The award is presented to individuals and groups who have completed a project that improves, supports or protects the water quality in the Lake Simcoe watershed.

Application for Telecommunication Tower Siting

Council received the report respecting a Request for Concurrence: Proposed Telecommunication Tower, submitted by Share Tower Inc. on behalf of York Region for 153 Morton Ave. Council approved the tower with a few conditions including that the proposed tower and compound be constructed in general conformity with the provided site plan, and no trees removed or injured, construction must be complete before Oct. 8, 2028, and construction must adhere to the recommendations for mitigation and monitoring as described in the Scoped Environmental Impact Study. Council authorized the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute a letter of Concurrence for the proposed tower. The letter and Council resolution will be sent to Share Tower Inc. and the Department of Innovation, Science and Economic Development.

Salt Management Plan update

Council received the report on the Salt Management Plan update and approved it. The plan represents a proactive and responsible approach to winter maintenance that balances public safety, operational efficiency and environmental stewardship. By aligning with provincial standards and integrating industry best practices, the Town is well-positioned to mitigate the environmental impacts of road salt as much as practical. particularly on sensitive ecosystems such as Lake Simcoe.

Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) Program update

Council received the report on the Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) update, which

provided a comprehensive review of the program since it began in April 2025. The ASE program has shown success in improving road safety by reducing vehicle speeds and increasing posted speed limit compliance. Speeding has been reduced by 38 per cent in Community Safety Zones where the cameras are active. Staff will continue to assess the impacts of the provincial proposal to remove ASE province wide and report back as necessary.

Asset Management Plan Proposed Levels of Service and Financial Strategy

Council received the report on the Asset Management Plan proposed levels of service and financial strategy and endorsed the draft Asset Management Plan Proposed Levels of Service and Financial Strategy to meet Ontario Regulation 588/17 requirements. The Town of Georgina manages \$2.4 billion of assets under its asset management plan, most of which are in a good state of repair. In order to continue to deliver exceptional services to the community, maintain these assets in existing or better condition, and to improve services in some asset classes, an infrastructure levy of 1.6 per cent should be considered in annual budgeting over the next 15 years.

City of Burlington encouraging municipalities to endorse the draft Elect Respect resolution against harassment, intimidation and personal attacks

Council endorsed a <u>resolution</u> from the City of Burlington encouraging municipalities to endorse the draft Elect Respect resolution against harassment, intimidation and personal attacks. This resolution is a commitment to fostering respectful, inclusive and safe environments for everyone involved in local government.

Closed session

In regard to Closed Session Item 17.1.a, the adoption of 2025 closed session minutes, Regional Councillor Davison previously declared a pecuniary interest and will not be taking part in the vote to adopt the referenced minutes;

That Council adopt the following minutes; Feb. 5 and April 16, 2025

In regard to Item No. 17.1.a on the agenda being the adoption of closed session minutes, Councillor Biggerstaff previously declared a pecuniary interest and will not be taking part in the vote to adopt the referenced minutes;

That Council adopt the following minutes; July 30 and Aug.13, 2025

In regard to Item No. 17.1.a on the agenda being the adoption of closed session minutes;

That Council adopt the following minutes; Feb. 26, April 2, May 7, June 4, June 18, July 9, 2025

In regard to Closed Session Item 17.1.b under Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act being a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or

local board, regarding Warden Avenue, That Council receive the update provided.

Additional Council information

Comprehensive minutes of Georgina Town Council meetings, which detail the full list of Council decisions, are available under <u>Agendas and Minutes</u> on the Town website once they have been ratified by Council.