



THE TOWN OF GEORGINA
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Thursday, September 28, 2017
8:00 PM
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:08 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Committee members present:

Brad Smockum, Chair
Bart Johnson, Vice Chair
Councillor Dave Harding
Glenda Hamilton
Brenda Rae
Linda Harrison

Committee members absent with regrets:
Jim Lockie

Staff member present:
Sarah Brislin, Committee Coordinator

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

- (1) York Region's Draft Provincial Guidance on Natural Heritage System & Agricultural System and Repot DS-2017-0109.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Brenda Rae, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0033

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee approve the September 28, 2017, agenda, with the following amendment:

1. York Region's Draft Provincial Guidance on Natural Heritage System & Agricultural System and Repot DS-2017-0109.

Carried.

5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF - *None*
6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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- (1) Meeting minutes from May 25, 2017.

The Committee inquired about the status of the share the roads signs.

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0034

To request staff report back on the status of the share the roads signs.

Carried.

Moved by Brenda Rae, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0035

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee minutes of May 25, 2017, meeting be adopted.

Carried.

7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS - *None*
8. PRESENTATIONS - *None*
9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA - *None*

- (1) Livestock Kills report, if available.

	DATE YY/MM/DD	STREET NAME ONLY	LIVESTOCK/ POULTRY	WILDLIFE SPECIES	VALUE
1	2017.04-20	Old Homestead	Lamb Ewe	coyote	\$148.80
2	2017.05.06	Park Road	43 White Rock Chickens	flooding	Not recorded
3	2017.06.16	Glen Woods Ave	Calf	Coyote	Not recorded
4	2017.08.13	Old Homestead	Sheep (Lamb)	Coyote	Not Recorded

The Committee was advised values would be updated as they become available.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- (1) Canada Day 150 thank you.

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0036

That the appreciative gift certificates for the farmers who brought over antique equipment be reimbursed from the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee miscellaneous budget.

Carried.

- (2) Ontario Continuing Fight Against Invasive Species

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0037

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee recommend Council deliver the message that anyone who comes into contact with harmful invasive species including park staff, fire fighters and the public, may be treated by someone who does not know how to treat the burns or injuries caused by the invasive species.

Carried.

The Committee requested the media release be brought to the upcoming joint meeting with the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee.

(3) Regional Councillor Danny Wheeler Recognition

Moved by Councillor Dave Harding, Seconded by Linda Harrison

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0038

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee receive the following Communication Items:

1. Canada Day 150 thank you.
2. Ontario Continuing Fight Against Invasive Species
3. Regional Councillor Danny Wheeler Recognition

Carried.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

(2) Real Dirt on Farming – response from Library

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0039

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee Cover the cost of \$60 plus 35\$ shipping for 450 booklets to be distributed at the Library branch locations and Town events from the publications and subscription budget.

Carried.

(3) GAgAC – transportation funding for antique tractors.

(4) 2018 Schedule

Moved by Brenda Rae, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0040

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee meet at 7:30 PM on the following dates in 2018:

January 25
February 22
March 22

April 26
May 31
July 26
September 27
November 22

Carried.

Moved by Bart Johnson, Seconded by Linda Harrison

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0041

Request Council provide direction regarding the 2018 election and Committee schedules and determine when Advisory Committees will run.

Carried

(5) Review of 2017 budget & budget suggestions for 2018

The Committee advised they were satisfied with the amount allocated in the 2017 budget and suggested staff request the same budget for 2018.

(6) Ontario's Wildlife Damage Compensation

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0042

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee request that Council send a letter to premier Wynne in support of the Township of Oro Medonte's resolution, including:

1. The correspondence from Oro-Medonte relating to the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program be received.
2. That the Town of Georgina respectfully requests that the Province:
 - a) expand the OWDCP to include evidence of partial carcass to allow eligible producers to process legitimate claims; and
 - b) rely more heavily on the opinions of the Municipal investigator, as they are experienced, familiar and knowledgeable with the Municipality's producers, as they continue to process genuine and valid applications.
3. That correspondence be forwarded, under the Mayor's signature, to the Premier, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, the Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency, the Beef Farmers of Ontario and Ontario municipalities requesting their support.

Carried.

- (7) York Region's Draft Provincial Guidance on Natural Heritage System & Agricultural System and Repot DS-2017-0109.

The Committee was advised the deadline for comments to the Province is October 4, 2017.

Moved by Linda Harrison, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0043

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee recommend Council send a letter advising the Region that the timeline for response is disappointing and for similar matters in the future timelines for response need to be taken into consideration.

Carried.

12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED - *None*
13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next Meeting: October 26, 2017

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2017-0044

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee September 28, 2017, meeting be adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Carried.

Brad Smockum, Chair

C. Sarah A. Brislin
Committee Services
Coordinator