



**THE TOWN OF GEORGINA
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Thursday August 22, 2019
7:30 PM
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

"We would like to begin today's meeting by acknowledging that the Town of Georgina is located over lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples and thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship."

2. ROLL CALL

The following committee members were in attendance:

Brad Smockum
Glenda Hamilton
Councillor Dave Harding
Ross Wellman
Brenda Rae

The following Committee member was absent with regrets:

Kevin Hutchings
Robert Johnston

The following staff were in attendance

Sarah Brislin, Committee Coordinator

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2019-0020

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee agenda for June 27, 2019, be approved as presented.

Carried.

5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(1) Meeting minutes from Thursday June 27, 2019.

Moved by Ross Wellman, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2019-0021

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory adopt the May 30, 2019, meeting minutes, as amended.

Carried.

7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS

8. PRESENTATIONS

9. REPORTS

(1) Livestock Kills report – No updates

| | DATE YY/MM/DD | STREET NAME ONLY | LIVESTOCK/ POULTRY | WILDLIFE SPECIES | VALUE |
|---|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------|
| 1 | 2019/04/16 | Old Homestead | Pregnant Sheep | Coyote | 280.00 |
| 2 | 2019/05/23 | Hwy 48, Sutton West | Cow (Calf) | Coyote | 667.80 |
| 3 | 2019/05/29 | Old Homestead | Ewe (sheep) | Coyote | Pending |
| 4 | 2019/06/12 | Old Homestead | Pregnant Sheep | Coyote | Pending |
| 5 | 2019/06/21 | Morning Glory | Sheep | Coyote | Pending |
| 6 | 2019/07/26 | Park Rd. | Sheep | Coyote | Pending |

Chair Brad Smokum provided an update provided to him by Teri Frankland, Licensing Coordinator, with respect to the Committee's inquiry about consistent practice of Livestock Investigators that ensures farmers are being treated the same.

(2) Urban Hens

The Committee was advised of the report that went to Council August 14, 2019, and that Planning staff would attend the next Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting to get their input on the matter.

(3) York Region - Agricultural system

Committee requested staff report back at the next meeting with further clarification.

Moved by Brenda Rae, Seconded by Glenda Hamilton

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2019-0022

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee receive the following reports:

1. Livestock Kills
2. Urban Hens
3. York Region - Agricultural system Planning for Agriculture Background Report

Carried.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- (1) Bear sighting near Bradford park prompts safety warning – BradfordToday
- (2) Pefferlaw Senior Fights off Coywolf Attack » Georgina Post
- (3) MAP: Coyote sightings in York Region
- (4) Letter (Anglers and Hunters to MNRF)
- (5) Guelph Welcomes Canada's Agriculture Community for 2020 Conference
- (6) Helping Chicken Farmers Build and Strengthen Capacity
- (7) Helping Farmers Grow Their Businesses
- (8) Choose Delicious Ontario Beef and Pork

- (9) Ontario Announces Excellence in Agriculture Honourable Mention Recipient
- (10) Ontario Announces Next Excellence in Agriculture Award Recipient
- (11) Ontario Celebrates Food Day Canada
- (12) Ontario Field Strawberries are the Perfect Summer Treat
- (13) Ontario Protecting our Environment through Agri-Food Research
- (14) Ontario Takes Action to Build Competitiveness in the Pork Sector
- (15) Ontario to Improve Crop Production by Fighting Plant Diseases

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Ross Wellman

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2019-0023

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee receive the following communication items:

1. Bear sighting near Bradford park prompts safety warning – BradfordToday
2. Pefferlaw Senior Fights off Coywolf Attack » Georgina Post
3. MAP: Coyote sightings in York Region
4. Letter (Anglers and Hunters to MNRF)
5. Guelph Welcomes Canada's Agriculture Community for 2020 Conference
6. Helping Chicken Farmers Build and Strengthen Capacity
7. Helping Farmers Grow Their Businesses
8. Choose Delicious Ontario Beef and Pork
9. Ontario Announces Excellence in Agriculture Honourable Mention Recipient
10. Ontario Announces Next Excellence in Agriculture Award Recipient
11. Ontario Celebrates Food Day Canada
12. Ontario Field Strawberries are the Perfect Summer Treat
13. Ontario Protecting our Environment through Agri-Food Research
14. Ontario Takes Action to Build Competitiveness in the Pork Sector
15. Ontario to Improve Crop Production by Fighting Plant Diseases

Carried.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

- (1) Green signs for vacant lands – update if available (ongoing item)
- (2) Animal Welfare (ongoing item)

- (3) Farm Tour (ongoing item) (<https://www.georgina.ca/discover-georgina/agri-tourism/field-table>).

The Committee discussed the Farm Tour. It was noted:

- The tour was successful despite the weather
- The Economic Development's Summer Student Randi-Lynn was very helpful
- Many people attending were not from Georgina.

- (4) Bear hunting – update if available (ongoing item) – No Updates

- (5) Fill by-law – update if available (ongoing item) – No Updates

- (6) Bio security (ongoing)

The Committee discussed trending Bio Security measures.

- (7) 2020 Proposed Schedule.

The Committee accepted the schedule as presented.

17. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED

18. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Glenda Hamilton, Seconded by Brenda Rae

RESOLUTION NO. GAgAC-2019-0024

That the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting of August 22, 2019, be adjourned at 8:50 PM

Carried.



Brad Smockum, Chair



Sarah Brislin

Committee Services Coordinator