

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA Georgina Waterways Advisory Committee Agenda

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

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- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

That the following minutes be adopted as presented:

- 1. Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on February 18, 2020
- 7. SPEAKERS
- 8. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS
- 9. PRESENTATIONS
- 10. REPORTS
- 11. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS
- 12. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION
- 13. OTHER BUSINESS

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Pages

1. "No Wake" signs

Councillor Sebo, Chair verbal update

- Jackson's Point Harbour Safety
 Councillor Sebo, Chair verbal update
- YRP Marine Unit Headquarters construction progress update Councillor Sebo, Chair verbal update
- 4. COVID-19 Boating and Waterways update

Councillor Sebo, chair verbal update about increased boat traffic and popularity of anchorages in Georgina since COVID-19

- COVID-19 Impact on Mossington Wharf and Black River Mouth Notices of Motion regarding Mossington Wharf - Council Agenda October
- 6. Waterfront Strategy

23, 2019

Karyn Stone Verbal Update

- Sutton/Jackson's Point Secondary Plan Karyn Stone Verbal Update
- 14. CLOSED SESSION
- 15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

THE TOWN OF GEORGINA WATERWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 6:30 PM Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

"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 present: Councillor Frank Sebo, Chair David Goldstein, Vice Chair Andy Adams Councillor Dave Harding Mayor Margaret Quirk

The following Committee member were absent with regrets: Stephen Parker Ted Brown Natasha Charles

The following staff members were present: Karyn Stone, Manager of Economic Development Sandra Dipietrantonio, Acting Committee Services Coordinator

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS - None

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by David Goldstein, Seconded by Andy Adams

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0006

That the Georgina Waterways Advisory Committee approve the agenda as presented.

Carried.

- 5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF *None*
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - (1) Minutes of the GWAC meeting held on January 21, 2020, to be received.

Moved by Andy Adams, Seconded by David Goldstein

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0007

That the minutes of the Georgina Waterways Advisory Committee meeting held on January 21, 2020, be adopted

Carried.

- 7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS None
- 8. PRESENTATIONS None
- 9. REPORTS None
- 10. COMMUNICATIONS
 - (1) Health of Lake Simcoe Improving, "Lake Doctor" tells LSRCA AGM

Councillor Sebo, Chair says that the Health of Lake Simcoe will continue to be monitored.

(2) Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Levels Trending Higher: LSRCA Report

Oxygen levels are up in Lake Simcoe but still issues with phosphorus so continue monitoring will be done. Mayor Margaret Quirk mentioned that the Conservation Authority will be invited to a special meeting of council to go through specific reports and committee's members will be invited no date has been set yet.

(3) Ontario Waterfront Tourism Summit

Councillor Sebo, gave a brief review of this summit. He encouraged members to check the stats and review the slides as well as send any feedback. Staff came away with it with good information and were cautioned about market trends. Follow up at the next meeting after members had a chance to review this presentation.

Moved by Andy Adams, Seconded by David Goldstein

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0008

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

- (1) Health of Lake Simcoe Improving, "Lake Doctor" tells LSRCA AGM
- (2) Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Levels Trending Higher: LSRCA Report
- (3) Ontario Waterfront Tourism Summit

Carried.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

(1) "No Wake" signs, update if available

Signs have been purchased and staff are looking at Arial maps in where to install these this spring. Councillor Sebo, Chair asked if any members had any suggestions of installation and to forward them to him.

(2) Lighthouse Discussion

Discussion took place amongst the members and decided that they would like to request Council to direct staff to take into consideration during their 2021 budget requests to provide a report on what the cost of three light houses would be as well as the approval process, the funding options and any other private and public funding sources that would be available. Moved by David Goldstein, Seconded Andy Adams

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0009

That the Georgina Waterways Advisory committee recommend Council to direct staff as part of their 2021 budget discussion to provide a report on costing of three light houses, the approval process, the funding options and any other private and public funding sources.

Carried.

(3) Brainstorming Session

Councillor Sebo, Chair explained that this brainstorming session was a good way in which members can bring up ideas and suggestion.

Andy mentioned he would like to know more about the waterfront development and Councillor Sebo, Chair said that the staff are very aware of this committees interested and will be involving them in this three-year process.

Explore other alternatives of developing water recreation activities. – recreational activity strategy part of the harbor front strategy. Partnering with existing entities to help this. Something that focus on family and children. Potential go back and invite other groups in to help recreational development as part of this larger strategy. Councillor Sebo, Chair explained that Georgina offers a variety of

recreational activities such as Sail Georgina, Jet Ski Rental's, that Crates rents boats, that we have a wake park, Eco tours on platoon boats, fishing etc.

David Goldstein requested that we invite speakers that can speak on how will water levels in lake since be managed and what are the risks involved. Would like this speaker to provide information on what can we do now to prevent potential risk of high levels in our great lakes.

Karyn to provide rec-cap how the harbor fits into the Jackson's point secondary plan.

- (3) Ongoing items:
 - Waterfront Strategy update (if available)-

Karyn Stone will reach out to the people involved and invite them to this committee

 Marine Unit Headquarters in Jacksons Point (update if available) – Councillor Sebo, Chair said that this is all moving forward very nicely.

Moved by David Goldstein, Seconded by Andy Adams

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0010

That the Georgina Waterways Advisory Committee receive Other Business items 1 through 3.

Carried.

- 12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED None
- 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN
 - (1) Motion to Adjourn

Moved by Councillor Dave Harding, Seconded by David Goldstein

RESOLUTION NO. GWAC-2020-0011

That the Georgina Waterways Advisory Committee February 18, 2020, meeting adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Carried.

Councillor Frank Sebo, Chair

Sandra Dipietrantonio, Records Coordinator

(1) <u>Repairs to Mossington Wharf</u>

Moved by Councillor Sebo

WHEREAS the Town of Georgina is committed to providing maintained and enhanced public access to and from Lake Simcoe;

AND WHEREAS since its construction in 1054, Mossington's Wharf, a former Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans Small Craft Harbour, has provided public access to and from Lake Simcoe and the Black River;

AND WHEREAS in 2018 the Town took over ownership and responsibility for Mossington's Wharf and received federal grant monies in the amount of \$770,000 to conduct necessary wharf repairs and dredging;

AND WHEREAS Resolution No. C-2018-0585 #2 directed staff to complete the transfer agreement with Fishers and Oceans Canada to include wharf repairs and channel dredging dependent upon funding being provided by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Small Craft Harbours Branch, in the amount of \$770,000;

AND WHEREAS Resolution No. C-2019-0035 and Resolution No. C-2019-0467 directed staff to upgrade the current fencing system, continue on-site monitoring of the wharf, replace or reface the Fisheries and Oceans Canada signage, install appropriate safety signage and equipment and to investigate the liability and costs associated with removing the wood decking on the wharf and leaving it as a breakwall and to report back to Council prior to the Waterfront Master Plan Strategy;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that staff be directed to investigate the feasibility and cost to complete necessary repairs to the least damaged southern portion of Mossington's Wharf, utilizing what can be salvaged from the northern portion of the wharf;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff be directed to report back to Council prior to commencement of Phase One of the Waterfront Master Plan Strategy.

(1) Dredging of Mossington Wharf

Moved by Councillor Sebo

WHEREAS the Town of Georgina is committed to maintained and enhanced public access to and from Lake Simcoe;

AND WHEREAS the Black River, with former Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Small Craft Harbours, at both its mouth and its navigation terminus at the dam in Sutton, has traditionally provided public access to and from Lake Simcoe aby motorized watercraft;

AND WHEREAS the only municipal public boat launch in the area is located on the Black River upstream from the affected area;

AND WHEREAS only a small portion of the channel at the mouth of the Black River along the northern part of Mossington's Wharf has been rendered virtually impassable to powered watercraft due to littoral drift, sand build-up and subsequent shallow water levels;

AND WHEREAS dredging this small portion of the channel to the depth of five feet is all that is required to allow access by a loaded work barge and restore safe navigation by motorized watercraft;

AND WHEREAS as per Resolution No. C-2017-0585, in 2018 the Town of Georgina took ownership and responsibility of Mossington's Wharf and associated water lots and received Federal grant monies of \$770,000 to do any necessary restorative works including dredging;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that staff be directed to investigate the feasibility of, and cost associated with, dredging to a depth of 5 feet only the portion of the channel along the northern part of Mossington's Wharf which is most negatively impacted by the effects of littoral drift and least likely to contain high levels of contaminants;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff be directed to report back to Council prior to the commencement of Phase One of the Waterfront Strategy.