



GEORGINA

# Council Highlights

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## Georgina Town Council June 9, 2021

### **COVID-19 verbal report from Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief**

Council received a verbal report from the Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief who provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic. With the province moving to Step 1 of the Roadmap to Reopen, the Town is opening all waterfront parking lots to residents and non-residents as of June 10, 2021. The Town welcomes the return of visitors to the community. Parking issues will continue to be monitored and by-law enforcement will be strengthened in the waterfront areas.

### **2021 Fee reduction – future zoning by-law amendment at N/S Frog Street**

Council received the report respecting a fee reduction request submitted by Ryan Lockman on behalf of Pamela Blair and Adam Barratt for the property described as Part Lot 4, Concession 3 (NG). Council approved the recommendation and directed staff to provide fee relief regarding a future minor zoning by-law amendment application for the amount of \$14,636.

### **Request to designate Bonnie Park and Lorne Park in accordance with Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act**

Council received the report and approved the recommendation to direct the Town Clerk to proceed with the issuance of the notice of intent to designate Bonnie Park and Lorne Park. And, if no objections are received within 30 days of issuance of the notice to designate, to prepare the designation by-law for Council's consideration of adoption.

### **Dalton Road multi-use path update**

Council received the report and directed staff to proceed with public consultation and preparation of tender-ready construction documents for the Dalton Road multi-use path. Council adopted the following resolution in support of the funding application to the Pedestrian and Cycling Municipal Partnership Program administered by York Region:

Whereas the Town of Georgina supports the objectives and policies of the Region for creating a regional scale walking and cycling network to improve connections within centres and to/from major destinations and to make walking and cycling more viable transportation options, and

Whereas the Town of Georgina has adopted the Trails and Active Transportation Master Plan (TATMP) 2014, and Whereas the Town of Georgina has committed funds toward the design of a Multi-Use path on Dalton Road from Catering Road to Lake Drive East,

Therefore, the Town of Georgina supports providing 50% or more of the capital cost of construction, and accepts responsibility maintenance and rehabilitation responsibilities for the multi-use path, subject to completion of the Public Consultation Phase and future approval of the capital budget required to complete the project.

**Assumption of roads in the Estonian Summer Homes Association subdivision  
and Kova subdivision, Udora**

Council received the report and approved a by-law be adopted to assume the maintenance of all roads and the public right of ways within the Estonian Summer Homes Association subdivision and Kova subdivision. Council also directed staff to initiate the engineering work and public consultation process to improve the roads to an acceptable standard as an all-season gravel road surface. An additional recommendation was approved that should residents want any improvement beyond an all-season gravel road surface, this would have to go through the local improvement process.

**Notice of motion from Councillor Waddington**

Council approved a resolution from Councillor Waddington:

WHEREAS it is believed the remains of 215 children at the location of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School in British Columbia were recently discovered;

AND WHEREAS the horrendous reality of residential schools is finally becoming common knowledge in Canada;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Georgina is located over lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations;

AND WHEREAS we acknowledge and declare the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbours and friends;

AND WHEREAS a good friend does not stand idly by while their neighbour mourns;

AND WHEREAS it is strength and not weakness to openly recognize significant moments of shame in the history of one's country;

AND WHEREAS the federal government has yet to make a decision if September 30th will be declared "National Day for Truth and Reconciliation";

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town of Georgina supports the declaration of a "National Day for Truth and Reconciliation";

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Georgina will; in absence of a Federal decision, recognize September 30th of each year as a day in mourning to commemorate residential school victims and survivors by lowering our flags and releasing media notifications as to why;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Georgina; with the support of the Chippewas of Georgina Island Council, erect twin plaques as a memorial to the truths of Residential schools in Canada using both Ojibwa and English as an pledge to remember, and move forward together;

And Be It Further Resolved that the Town of Georgina reach out to the Chippewas First Nation to discuss enacting, with their assistance, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 57, which calls upon federal, provincial, territorial and municipal governments to provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential school, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law and Aboriginal-Crown relation. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights and anti-racism.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the words "it is believed" be struck out and the number "215" be updated in this motion to reflect current information once the Kamloops investigation is completed and released;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the decision of council be sent to Chief Donna Big Canoe, MP Scot Davidson and MPP Caroline Mulroney in the hope that a multi-level sign of solidarity can occur and to appeal for their support towards the items listed within this motion.

### **Closed session**

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

In regard to Closed Session Item No. 18.1.b of the agenda being advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege under Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, including communications necessary for that purpose regarding earthworks, land transfer, servicing agreements and a procurement matter regarding the MURC site;

1. That Council receive the Town solicitor's update and directs the solicitor and staff to proceed as discussed.
2. That the Clerk and Mayor be authorized to execute the necessary associated agreements through delegated authority of Council.

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Waddington

Regional Councillor Grossi declared conflict, did not attend, left meeting

In regard to Closed Session Item No. 18.1.a of the agenda being litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, under Section 239(2)(e) of the Municipal Act regarding a Lake Drive Jurisdiction litigation matter;

1. That Council receive the Town solicitor's update on the litigation matter.

### **Additional Council Information**

Comprehensive minutes of Georgina Town Council Meetings, which detail the full list of Council decisions, are available under [Agendas and Minutes](#) on the Town website once they have been ratified by Council.