



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Springwater Township Council Notes
For the meeting of Monday, December 5, 2005

Mayor John Brown was granted a leave of absence due to illness and Deputy Mayor Tony Guergis was appointed as Acting Mayor.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council received the following for information:

- Township of Tiny News Release re: County of Simcoe Site 41 Not Ready to Proceed
- Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: 2005 Municipal Performance Measurement Program
- Springwater Library Board re: Library Involvement in Springwater Emergency Plan
- Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority re: Minesing Swamp Fire Call & Response
- AMO Alert re: Province to Amend Taxpayer Protection Act to exempt municipal governments – opens door to new revenue tools
- City of Niagara Falls re: Wholesale Gas Sector and Clerk's letter of response
- County of Simcoe re: County Structure
- Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs re: Protect Our Volunteers Campaign

ROADS NEEDS STUDY

Council received the presentation on the Roads Needs study.

CHANGE ORDER FOR FIRE STATION NO. 3

Council ratified the Change Order for Fire Station No. 3 to remove the old metal siding and supply and install new metal siding and trims in the amount of \$7,855.00 plus GST.

CAO HEALTH AND SEAFETY LEADERSHIP CHARTER

Council endorsed the principles contained in the Charter and the Township will advise the Municipal Health and Safety Association of its support for the CAO Health and Safety Leadership Charter.

ELMVALE LIBRARY BRANCH LOWER LEVEL

ALTERATIONS

The Contract for the Elmvale Library Branch lower level alterations was awarded to Cherokee Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$40,939.00 excluding GST. Any unexpected funds for this contract and/or architectural services be carried forward as part of the 2006 Library Capital Budget.

MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSEMENT CORPORATION (MPAC) RE: 2005 ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Heather Colquhoun presented the 2005 Assessment Update overview to Council. The presentation provided background about MPAC, explained the annual assessment process, assessment cycle and important dates relating to each. Ms. Colquhoun explained the methods of resolving assessment concerns and gave the 2005 assessment update for the Township of Springwater.

PUBLIC MEETING – CAMPGROUND LICENSING

The Licensing Officer presented the proposed campground schedules for the Licensing By-law. The presentation outlined changes to the definitions, application requirements and fees associated with obtaining a campground license. The Campground schedules will come forward to the next meeting if possible.

PUBLIC MEETING – FIRE FEES BY-LAW

The Deputy Clerk and Fire Prevention Officer presented the proposed changes to the Fire Fees By-law and Fee Schedule.

The main change to the By-law was reflected in the Compliance Requests Reports & Inspections Fees. The fee would be waived for a single family dwelling, or multi-residential inspection to encourage fire prevention throughout the municipality. All other compliance requests for reports & inspections (i.e. Commercial Buildings, Daycares, Liquor Licenses etc.) will cost \$80.00. Any re-inspections will be \$65.00. The Fire Fees By-law will be coming forward to the next meeting.

BY-LAWS

The following By-laws were passed:

- By-law No. 5000-042 – Pro-Elm Subdivision ZBA
- By-law No. 2005-137 – Sidewalk Snow Clearing By-law – Elmvale Commercial District - repeal
- By-law No. 2005-138 – Three Year Lease Agreement - Fire Station No. 5 – Ambulance
- By-law No. 2005-139 – Heritage Preservation and Maintenance Agreement – Parker House
- By-law No. 2005-140 – Road Assumption – Highlands of Hillsdale – Marlow Circle, McFadden Drive
- By-law No. 2005-141 – Confirmatory

FOR MORE INFORMATION contact the Administration Department at (705) 728-4784 Ext. 2015. The minutes will be available on the Township Website at www.springwater.ca on Friday.