



COUNCIL NOTES

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Meeting of Monday, March 6, 2006

CORRESPONDENCE

Council received the following for information:

- AMO Alert re: 2006 OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference Announcements
- AMO Alert re: CUPE Strike Called Off, Review of Bill 206 to Occur in 2012
- AMO Alert re: Province Announces Funding for Forestry Sector
- Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Proposed Legislative Changes to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Province Gives Control of Pension Plan to Members
- Ontario Property and Environmental Rights Alliance re: Land Use Planning by Conservation Authorities

INFORMATION REPORTS

Council received the following Information Reports:

- Accounts Payable Monthly Report - February 2006
- By-law Department Monthly Statistics - January and February 2006
- Intergovernmental Action Plan for Simcoe, Barrie and Orillia (IGAP) re: Common Messaging

BUDGET

Council received the following Budgets:

- Proposed 2006 Conservation Budget
- Proposed 2006 Policing Budget

TREASURER'S REPORT RE: COST OF LIVING

The Treasurer was authorized to base the 2006 salary budget on a 3% Cost of Living increase. This is consistent with Statistics Canada who has posted a Consumers Price Index for Ontario from January 2005 to January 2006 as an increase of 3%.

PRESENTATION FROM INSPECTOR ROD LAKE, HURONIA WEST DETACHMENT

Inspector Rod Lake of the Huronia West OPP Detachment presented the 2005 4th Quarter Statistics for Springwater and the 2005 Year in Review to Springwater Council. Inspector Lake noted that the presentation regarding the Enhanced Resource Initiative has been delayed and will come back to Council at a later date.

REQUEST FOR ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE ELMVALE MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

The following temporary road closures were approved for the Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday April 22, 2006.

- Queen Street West from Yonge Street to Lent Street
- Maria Street from Queen Street to George Street
- Peter Street from 11 Peter Street to the west side of Maria Street
- George Street in front of 14 George Street to Lome Street

PRESENTATION TO TONY VANDAM, JEFF CORRIVEAU AND KEVIN MORROW FOR THE RECOGNITION OF FIRE PREVENTION ACTION

The Acting Mayor commended Fire Chief, Tony VanDam for an emergency rescue performed in the Township. The Acting Mayor acknowledged a letter received from the Office of the Fire Marshal that recognized the efforts of Fire Prevention Officer Jeff Corriveau and Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Morrow whose actions were instrumental in obtaining a Product Safety Recall of specific fire extinguishers.

PUBLIC MEETING – AUCTIONEERS AND REFRESHMENT VEHICLES

The Licensing Officer presented the proposed amendments to the Licensing By-law. The amendments would include adding a schedule including fees for licensing Auctioneers and Refreshments Vehicles to the current by-law.

ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL EXPANSION PROJECT

Council defeated a motion from RVH to advocate funds on behalf of Simcoe County towards the RVH Expansion project until the County of Simcoe Health Care Strategy Committee undertakes its review of the proposal.

BY-LAWS

The following By-laws were passed:

- By-law No. 5000-047 - Midhurst Firehall ZBA
- By-law No. 2006-023 - Municipal Election - Sign By-law
- By-law No. 2006-024 - Road Closure and Sale to Orr & Donnelly
- By-law No. 2006-025 - Road Name - Holmes Drive East - Holmes Drive West
- By-law No. 2006-026 - Amend No Smoking Policy - Township of Springwater Public Buildings & Workplaces
- By-law No. 2006-027 – 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.