

C08/09

Corporation of the City of Thorold
Council Agenda
Tuesday, May 20, 2008
6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

AGENDA ITEMS

1. MINUTES

- a) To adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 6, 2008. **N. Rogers**
- b) To adopt the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on May 6, 2008. **J. Handley**

2. (a)MAYOR'S REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

(b) PRESENTATIONS

1. Recipients of DSBN (District School Board of Niagara) Skills Challenge

(c) DELEGATIONS

1. Darren Steedman, Project Manager, Metrus Developments and Carlo Di Gioacchino, VP Business Development, Dundurn Capital Partners Inc.
Re: LEED-Platinum student housing
2. Erica Baker, Mayor and Leah Rosetti, Deputy Mayor, Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee
Re: Update on Youth Murder Mystery Night and plans for the future
3. TBA
Re: Health concerns - City of Thorold wireless project

3. COMMUNICATIONS / RESOLUTIONS

- A. Items referred to Council Nil
- B. Items referred to City Staff (pages B1 to B5) **A.T. Luciani**

C. Minutes from Public Forum

Committee Meetings

: Operations	C1	Nil
: Corporate Services	C2	Nil
: Planning and Building Services	C3	Nil
: Fire and Emergency Services	C4	Nil

D. List of Committees

Minutes/Correspondence from (pages D1 to D17) **T. Whalen**
Volunteer Committees

E. Reports/Correspondence from (pages E1 to E18) **F. Neale**
the Region of Niagara

F. Items for information purposes (pages F1 to F14) **S. Wilson**

4. REPORTS

- a) To adopt the minutes of the General Committee (GC08/08) **J. LePera**
meeting held on May 6, 2008.
- b) To adopt the minutes of the Public Meeting (PM2008-02) **M. Charron**
held on March 18, 2008 with respect to Proposed Amendment
to City of Thorold Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2140(97) to
Permit the Construction of a Single Detached Dwelling on
Private Services and to Remove Existing Holding "H" Provision
on the Property Part Lot 4, Registered Plan M9, Part 6 Plan 59R-4330,
Thorold Ontario, Joseph Thornley on Behalf of Mary Thornley., ZBA 01/2008.
- c) To adopt the minutes of the Public Meeting (PM2008-04) **N. Rogers**
held on May 6, 2008 with respect to Water and Sewer
Budgets 2008.
- d) To adopt the minutes of the Public Meeting (PM2008-05) **S. Wilson**
held on May 6, 2008 with respect to Proposed Amendment to
City of Thorold Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-law
2140(97) to Redesignate and Rezone Lands to Permit a Seniors
Residence Use Including Retirements homes, Long Term Care Facilities
and Accessory Townhouses Designed for Seniors, Amico Residences Inc.
on behalf of Grey Gables School, BDO Dunwoody Limited, OPA #65 and ZBA 13/2007

5. BY-LAWS

Nil

6. OTHER BUSINESS

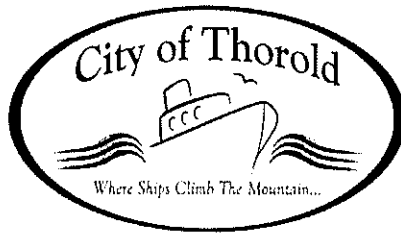
7. NOTICE OF MOTION
Nil

8. ADJOURNMENT

F. Neale



MINUTES



COUNCIL

**C08/08
May 6, 2008**

PRESENT: Mayor H. D'Angela and all members of Council

STAFF: M. Weir, J. K. Bice, M. Mauro, T. Doherty, A. Arbour, L. Coplen, J. Menard,
P. Lambert, M. Sauchuk and S. Daniels

OTHERS: Nil

MEDIA: Niagara News, COGECO T.V., St. Catharines Standard, Niagara This Week

Mayor H. D'Angela presided and called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM # 1 - MINUTES

1(a)

MOVED BY: A.T. Luciani

SECONDED BY: S. Wilson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 15, 2008,
be received and adopted.

CARRIED

1(b)

MOVED BY: T. Whalen

SECONDED BY: A.T. Luciani

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on April 15, 2008, be
received and adopted.

CARRIED

1(c)

MOVED BY: S. Wilson
SECONDED BY: A.T. Luciani

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on April 16, 2008, be received and adopted.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #2(a) - MAYOR'S REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

Mayor D'Angela reported on the following community activities and events:

- ▶ On April 25, 2008 Ontario's Minister of Economic Trade and Development announced \$1.9 million in funding to the Niagara Economic Development Corporation, half of which is earmarked for the Exolon brownfield site. Redevelopment of 100 acres will have a positive local economic impact. Mayor D'Angela thanked all those involved in this collaborative effort;
- ▶ On May 2, 2008 Ontario's Minister of Transportation was in Thorold to kick-off the Stop Highway Litter Campaign;
- ▶ The Scotiabank Barbecue Fundraising Kick-off and Bootdrive held on April 25, 2008 raised approximately \$12,000.00 for McMaster Children's Hospital. Mayor D'Angela thanked local sponsors and participants;
- ▶ Mayor D'Angela thanked Dale Robinson and local volunteers of the Greater Niagara Circle Trek for hosting a barbecue on May 4, 2008 to launch Thorold's Amazing Trail Adventure brochure;
- ▶ The Region of Niagara's launch of the 2008 bicycling season and campaign activities is May 26 to June 1, 2008. Niagara Region Public Health, in partnership with the Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee, are encouraging cyclists to register teams to earn ballots for prizes. Team captain kits can be ordered by calling 905-688-8248, ext. 7422 or by downloading from www.rnbc.info;
- ▶ On May 5, 2008 two city watermain breaks and one regional trunk line break occurred in the vicinity of Beaverdams and Collier Roads in Thorold. The Region of Niagara offered potable water at three area sites until the supply returned to normal. Mayor D'Angela commended city staff for acting quickly to resolve the problem;
- ▶ A retirement party will be held for Tom Doherty, Director of Operations, on May 22, 2008 at Club Capri. Mayor D'Angela thanked Mr. Doherty for his 34 years of service to the City of Thorold;
- ▶ Regional Council recently approved the installation of stop lights at the intersection of Collier Road and Richmond Street and Highway 20 at Cataract Road. A stop light at the intersection of Merritt Road and Merrittville Highway is under consideration;
- ▶ The Region of Niagara recently installed a new population entrance to Thorold sign at Collier Road.

AGENDA ITEM #2(b) - PRESENTATIONS

Nil

AGENDA ITEM #2(c) - DELEGATIONS

Nil

AGENDA ITEM #3(a) - COMMUNICATIONS - Items referred to Council

3(a)(1)

MOVED BY: J. LePera

SECONDED BY: N. Rogers

THAT the resolution adopted by the Tay Valley Township requesting the province to make infrastructure funding available to all municipalities based upon formulae similar to those developed for the Move Ontario and the Municipal Roads and Bridges Fund so that municipal politicians and staff do not have to waste valuable time, effort and money in applying for the various programs funds that would enable the construction of necessary projects, be received and supported.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Official Opposition of Ontario, the Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario, Peter Kormos, M.P.P., Welland Riding, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Regional Municipality of Niagara and area municipalities.

CARRIED

3(a)(2)(i)

MOVED BY: J. Handley

SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

THAT the correspondence received from the Thorold & Beaverdams Historical Society on May 6, 2008 regarding the demolition of the Port Robinson Toll House, be received.

AND FURTHER THAT the demolition be delayed pending an opportunity for the Historical Society to come forward, within 10 days, with an alternative solution at no cost to the City.

Lost

3(a)(2)(ii)

MOVED BY: J. Handley
SECONDED BY: S. Wilson

THAT the correspondence received from the Thorold & Beaverdams Historical Society on May 6, 2008 regarding the dismantling of the Port Robinson Toll House, be received and filed.

AND FURTHER THAT the Thorold & Beaverdams Historical Society be advised of Council's direction with respect to the Port Robinson Toll House.

CARRIED

3(a)(3)

MOVED BY: M. Charron
SECONDED BY: F. Neale

THAT, upon notification from ReliaClear Canada Inc., a report be prepared by the Chief Administrative Officer indicating the installation of the hardware (45 wireless terminals) has been completed and the pilot project has commenced.

CARRIED

3(a)(4)

MOVED BY: M. Charron
SECONDED BY: F. Neale

THAT the Chief Administrative Officer prepare a report to Council by September 2008 indicating the results of a survey to be conducted by ReliaClear Canada Inc. or the City regarding the product use and level of satisfaction of citizens within the pilot project area.

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer submit a report, prior to the commencement of the survey, to estimate the cost if the City were to conduct the survey.

CARRIED

3(a)(5)

MOVED BY: M. Charron

SECONDED BY: F. Neale

THAT any requests from ReliaClear Canada Inc. to expand their wireless communication system, including wireless surveillance cameras, be communicated directly to City Council.

CARRIED

3(a)(6)

MOVED BY: S. Wilson

SECONDED BY: F. Neale

THAT the Director of Operations review the City's policy and prepare a report to expedite repairs of vandalism to utility boxes.

CARRIED

3(a)(7)

MOVED BY: T. Whalen

SECONDED BY: J. LePera

THAT the Chief Building Official be directed to secure the former Township Hall in Allanburg and prepare a report for consideration prior to the end of July, 2008 with respect to municipal buildings and properties.

CARRIED

3(a)(8)

MOVED BY: F. Neale

SECONDED BY: M. Charron

THAT the Director of Operations negotiate with Denis Morris High School for use of the arena facility during off-peak times by student hockey teams.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #3(b) - COMMUNICATIONS - Items referred to City Staff

3(b)

MOVED BY: F. Neale

SECONDED By: M. Charron

THAT the communication(s) on the list of Correspondence 3(b), be received and directed to the indicated staff member.

1. Dave Price, Re: Various concerns
Beaverdams Road

Referred to the Director of Operations
and the Director of Planning and Building Services

2. Royal Canadian Legion Re: Decoration Day Parade - June 1, 2008
Branch 17, Thorold

Referred to the Director of Operations

3. John Gerretsen, Re: Use and Sale of Pesticides
Minister of the Environment

Referred to the Director of Planning and Building Services

4. Lara Hladysh, Re: Concerns with transit bus stop
Tupper Drive, Thorold

Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer
and Thorold Town and Gown Committee

5. Don Duval, Re: Sullivan Park
Rose Avenue, Thorold

Referred to the Director of Operations

6. Roland Barnes, Re: Use of hydro field behind property
Davis Street, Thorold

Referred to the Director of Operations

7. Pastor Mike Collins,
The Village Church Re: Serve Project in Thorold - Summer 2008

Referred to the Director of Operations

8. Jane Knox,
Cartier Drive, Thorold Re: No Parking Sign on Cartier Drive

Referred to the Director of Operations

9. Penny Nystedt,
Capri Street, Thorold Re: Request for chain link fence on walkway

Referred to the Director of Operations

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #3(c) - ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES - Received for Information

Nil

AGENDA ITEM #3(d) - MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE FROM VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES - Received for Information

3(d)

MOVED BY: N. Rogers

SECONDED BY: J. LePera

THAT the minutes/correspondence from Volunteer Committees, listed as Correspondence 3(d), be received for information purposes and filed.

1. Heritage Thorold LACAC Re: - Minutes of the April 7, 2008 meeting
- Agenda for the May 5, 2008 meeting
2. Thorold Public Library Board Re: Minutes of the March 17, 2008 Board meeting
3. Active Transportation Advisory Committee Re: Minutes of the March 8, 2008 meeting
4. Thorold Town and Gown Committee Re: Minutes of the February 27, 2007 meeting

CARRIED

**AGENDA ITEM #3(e) - REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE REGION OF NIAGARA
- Received for Information**

3(e)

MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: R. Rogers

THAT the reports/correspondence from the Region of Niagara, listed as Correspondence 3(e), be received for information purposes and filed.

1. Office of the Regional Clerk Re: - Resolution: Buy Local Food
- 2008 Tax Policy and Tax Rates
2. Planing and Development Re: Work Plan to Deliver on a Council Business
Plan Priority: Develop a Niagara Cultural Plan
3. Administration Re: Planning MOU Implementation - Progress
Report

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #3(f) - COMMUNICATIONS - Items referred for Information

3(f)

MOVED BY: M. Charron
SECONDED BY: F. Neale

THAT the communication(s) on the list of Correspondence 3(f), as amended, be received for information purposes and filed.

1. City of Thorold Re: Office of the Mayor:
- Niagara Regional Police Headquarters
Director of Finance:
- Letter: Pat Greco, McGee Crescent
Chief Building Official:
- March/April By-law Enforcement Division
Monthly Activity Reports
Chief Administrative Officer:
- Correspondence with ReliaClear Canada
Inc.
2. Thank you Letters/Cards/Notes Re: - Dom and Joy Mazzei
- PKHummingbird Steel Band

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| 3. | <u>Donna Herrington, Consultant
The Herrington Group Ltd.</u> | Re: | AMCTO Workshop Brief |
| 4. | <u>Jennifer Rennie,
Pilkington Street</u> | Re: | Construction at Abitibi |
| 5. | <u>Town of Pelham</u> | Re: | - Building Canada Fund
- Buy Local Foods resolution |
| 6. | <u>Ministry of Health Promotion</u> | Re: | Response re resolution on Smoking Ban |
| 7. | <u>Ministry of Municipal
Affairs and Housing</u> | Re: | News Release:
- Greening Communities Across Ontario |
| 8. | <u>Jim Bradley, M.P.P.
St. Catharines</u> | Re: | News Release:
- Ontario Helps Protect Niagara Drinking
Water |
| 9. | <u>Office of the Prime Minister</u> | Re: | Response letter: Municipal Infrastructure
Funding |
| 10. | <u>Peter Van Loen,
Minister of Democratic Reform</u> | Re: | <i>Democratic Representation Bill</i> |

NOTE: Councillor M. Charron suggested recommendations relating to correspondence received from ReliaCLear Canada Inc.

(See Resolutions 3(a)(3), 3(a)(4) and 3(a)(5))

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #4 - REPORTS

4(a)

MOVED BY: A.T. Luciani

SECONDED BY: S. Wilson

THAT the minutes of the General Committee Meeting (GC08/07) held on April 15, 2008, be received and adopted.

CARRIED

4(b)

MOVED BY: J. Handley

SECONDED BY: S. Wilson

THAT the minutes of the General Committee Budget Meeting (GCB08/06) held on April 16, 2008, be received and adopted.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #5 - BY-LAWS

Nil

AGENDA ITEM #6 - OTHER BUSINESS

1. Councillor M. Charron invited everyone to attend the grand opening celebration of the Thorold Community Activities Group Nick Basciano Centre to be held on May 10, 2008.
2. Councillor M. Charron commended Officer Cook and other members of the Niagara Regional Police Services for apprehending a man suspected of robberies in St. Catharines and Thorold.
3. Councillor S. Wilson congratulated the Mayor's Youth Advisory Community on hosting a successful Murder Mystery Night at the Keefer Mansion on May 1, 2008.
4. Councillor S. Wilson advised he has received numerous complaints from residents in South Confederation Heights with respect to vandalism of Bell Canada and Hydro utility boxes. He requested a report from staff on ways to expedite repairs.

The Director of Operations advised local municipalities and utility companies are members of the Public Services Committee that would be willing to share policy information and consider any recommendations of Council. He further advised that utility companies will respond to individual reports of vandalism.

(See Resolution 3(a)(6))

5. Councillor J. Handley advised he has received complaints of motorized recreational vehicles using the Hydro corridor in a residential area of Thorold South. He suggested the City formally request Hydro One to erect signs prohibiting motorized recreational vehicles.

The Director of Operations will be responding to the recent letter of complaint.

Councillor LePera advised motorized recreational vehicles have also been seen in Port Robinson and Battle of Beaverdams Park.

Councillor F. Neale advised Niagara Regional Police Services is now equipped with ATV's and horse patrols to fine offenders for prohibitive use.

6. Councillor J. Handley requested the Director of Operations to inspect Barron Road and make minor repairs.

It was suggested that Councillor Handley's request be considered during the General Committee meeting.

7. Councillor T. Whalen advised the Allanburg Community Centre Committee will be distributing a flyer to encourage more use of the community centre.

Councillor J. LePera suggested reduced rental charge for the Darlene Ryan Port Robinson Community Centre and further discussion with members of Council to promote use of the community centres.

8. Councillor T. Whalen suggested consideration be given to demolish the former Township Hall in Allanburg since it is in disrepair and open to animal infestation.

Following considerable discussion, Council agreed to consider the former Township Hall building and property in Allanburg during its review of other city buildings and properties.

(See Resolution 3(a)(7))

9. Mayor D'Angela received a request from the Denis Morris High School hockey team for use of the arena facility during off-peak hours.

(See Resolution 3(a)(8))

10. Councillor A.T. Luciani commended Mayor D'Angela on his attendance at Regional Council meetings, the uploading of Collier Road to Regional jurisdiction and proposed installation of stop-lights on various regional roads in the City of Thorold.

11. Councillor T. Whalen invited everyone to attend the Thorold Community Activities Group Arts & Craft Show to be held at the Thorold Arenas on May 24 and 25, 2008.

AGENDA ITEM #7 - NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

AGENDA ITEM #8 - ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: T. Whalen

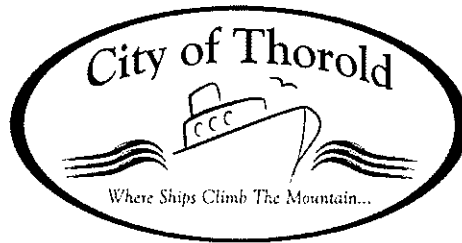
SECONDED BY: N. Rogers

THAT this meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

CARRIED

H. D'Angela, Mayor

S. Daniels, Deputy City Clerk



SPECIAL COUNCIL

**SC08/08
May 6, 2008**

PRESENT: Mayor H. D'Angela and all members of Council except N. Rogers who had a prior commitment

STAFF: M. Weir, J.K. Bice, M. Mauro, A. Arbour, T. Doherty, L. Coplen, J. Menard, P. Lambert, M. Sauchuk and S. Daniels

OTHERS: Nil

MEDIA: St. Catharines Standard, Niagara News, COGECO T.V.

Mayor D'Angela presided and called the meeting to order at 10:13 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM #1 - CALL TO ORDER

MOVED BY: J. LePera

SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That we do now rise and enter into Special Council.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #2 - REPORTS

2(a-n)

MOVED BY: J. LePera

SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

A motion to adopt the recommendations of the following report(s):

- a) CAO2008-08 Re: Tourism Contract Renewal
- b) DOR2008-43 Re: Contract No. 2008-210 - Curb Replacement and Sidewalk Construction - Various Streets
- c) DOR2008-45 Re: Contract No. 2008-102 - Surface Treatment - Various Streets

- d) DOR2008-48 Re: Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 17 - Decoration Day Parade - Sunday, June 1, 2008
- e) DOR2008-49 Re: Outdoor Recreational Pool
- f) DOR2008-50 Re: Equipment Purchases - Public Works Unit #73 - Parks Department Unit #8
- g) DOR2008-51 Re: Irrigation System - Front Street North
- h) PBS2008-42 Re: Community Event Signage, as amended
- i) PBS2008-44 Re: Proposed Expansion to the Downtown Thorold Community Improvement Area - Downtown Thorold Facade Improvement Grant Program, City of Thorold
- j) PBS2008-46 Re: By-law Enforcement - Equipment Purchase
- k) PBS2008-47 Re: Outdoor Commercial Patios
- l) CC2008-19 Re: Italia in Festa Committee - LCBO Special Occasion Permit Application - Designation of 4th Annual Italia in Festa, June 20 and 21, 2008, as a Community Festival, as amended
- m) CC2008-20 Re: Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference and Committee Appointments
- n) PBS2008-48 Re: Emergency Board-Up of 100 Wellington Street North

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #3 - RESOLUTIONS

Nil.

AGENDA ITEM #4 - BY-LAWS

4(1)

MOVED BY: J. LePera

SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That leave be given to introduce the following by-law(s):

By-law No. 39-2008 "BEING A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE 2008 BUDGETS"

By-law No. 40-2008 "A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH SACCO CONSTRUCTION LIMITED FOR CURB REPLACEMENT AND SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION - VARIOUS STREETS (CONTRACT No. 2008-210) IN THE CITY OF THOROLD"

And that the same now be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That the by-law(s) just read a first time be read a second and third time, and do pass, and that the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal the same, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

CARRIED

4(2)
MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That leave be given to introduce the following by-law(s):

By-law No. 41-2008 "A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH NORJOHN CONTRACTING AND PAVING LIMITED FOR SURFACE TREATMENT - VARIOUS STREETS (CONTRACT NO. 2008-102) IN THE CITY OF THOROLD"

By-law No. 42-2008 "A BY-LAW TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE JOINT ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND REPEAL BY-LAW NO. 43-2007"

And that the same now be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That the by-law(s) just read a first time be read a second and third time, and do pass, and that the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal the same, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

CARRIED

4(3)

MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That leave be given to introduce the following by-law(s):

By-law No. 43-2008 "A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE JOINT ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE"

By-law No. 44-2008 "A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH DESTINATION MARKETING SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF TOURISM SERVICES"

And that the same now be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That the by-law(s) just read a first time be read a second and third time, and do pass, and that the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal the same, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

CARRIED

4(4)

By-law No. 45-2008 **WITHDRAWN**
"A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 21-2007, BEING A BY-LAW FOR PROHIBITING OR REGULATING SIGNS AND OTHER ADVERTISING DEVICES"

AGENDA ITEM #5 - ADJOURNMENT


MOVED BY: J. LePera
SECONDED BY: T. Whalen

That this meeting is hereby adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

CARRIED

H. D'Angela, Mayor

S. Daniels, Deputy City Clerk



**MAYOR'S REPORTS,
ANNOUNCEMENTS
AND REMARKS**



PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION #1



Principal: K. Miller, B.Sc., B. Ed., M. Ed.

Vice-principal: N. Evans, B.A. (HONS), P.G.C.E.

May 15, 2008

Thotold City Hall
Attention: Heather

Here is the information you requested concerning the students you will be mentioning at the meeting Tuesday, May 20th.

The competition they participated in was called the DSBN (District School Board of Niagara) Skills Challenges. Also, on May 5-6, Alex and Gavin went on to compete in the provincial level of Skills Challenges. Mr. Demers (our tech teacher) has just heard that Alex placed 4th in all Ontario, and Gavin placed 13th.

These are the complete names of the awards they won at DSBN Skills:

Alex Martin -won gold in *Mechanical Computer Aided Design*

Gavin Taylor -won gold in *Architectural Computer Aided Design*

Brad Morrissette -won silver in *Architectural Computer Aided Design*

If you have any more questions, feel free to contact the school.



DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA
Achieving Success Together



DELEGATIONS

DELEGATION #1

Heather hulls - Deputation

From: "Carlo Di Gioacc
To: <clksten2@thoroid.com>
Date: 25/04/2008 3:04 PM
Subject: Deputation Request - May 20 Council Meeting
CC: ""Darren Steedman"" <DSteedman@MetrusDev.com>, ""Jason Bottoni""
<JBottoni@MetrusDev.com>

Hello Heather,

Further to our conversation, I am requesting an opportunity for Darren Steedman of Metrus Developments Inc. and myself regarding LEED-Platinum student housing on Schmon Parkway. This is a follow up to the letter and brochure sent to staff and members of Council.

I understand that Council starts at 6:30 pm and that we should be there early to test our equipment. We are to supply a laptop and we can connect to the City projector in Chambers.

Kindly confirm acceptance of this request as soon as possible.

Regards
Carlo Di Gioacchino
VP Business Development
Dundurn Capital Partners Inc.
Cell – 1-905-531-4964

Carlo Di Gioacchino



Dundurn Edge Developments Inc.

Purpose-built Student Housing

Presentation for City of Thorold Council and Staff

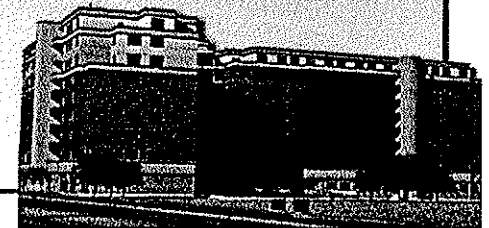
March, 2008



PURPOSE



- To provide Thorold Council and staff background on a Hamilton student housing project – targeted to be the largest residential LEED-Platinum project in Canada
- To consider whether LEED-Platinum purpose-built student housing would be appropriate for Schmon Parkway



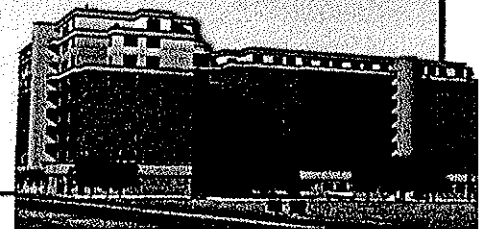
Hamilton Project

- Purpose-built student housing (known as the West Village Student Residence)
- 1.2 km from the McMaster front gate
- Designed for and marketed to students
- Conceived to solve an off-campus student housing problem in nearby residential neighbourhood
- Targeted to be the largest residential LEED Platinum project in Canada



Hamilton Statistics

- **Hamilton Site**
 - 107 suites, 449 students
 - 9 storeys
 - 1.2 km to front gate of McMaster
 - Same side of street
 - Ground floor commercial on major artery (Main St. West)
 - Surface and underground parking



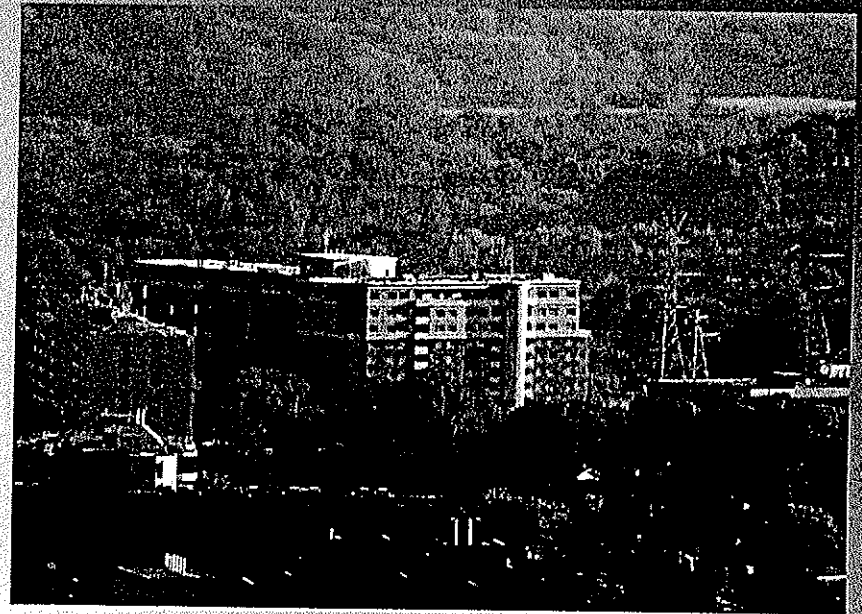


West Village Student Residence - Opened Sept 2007

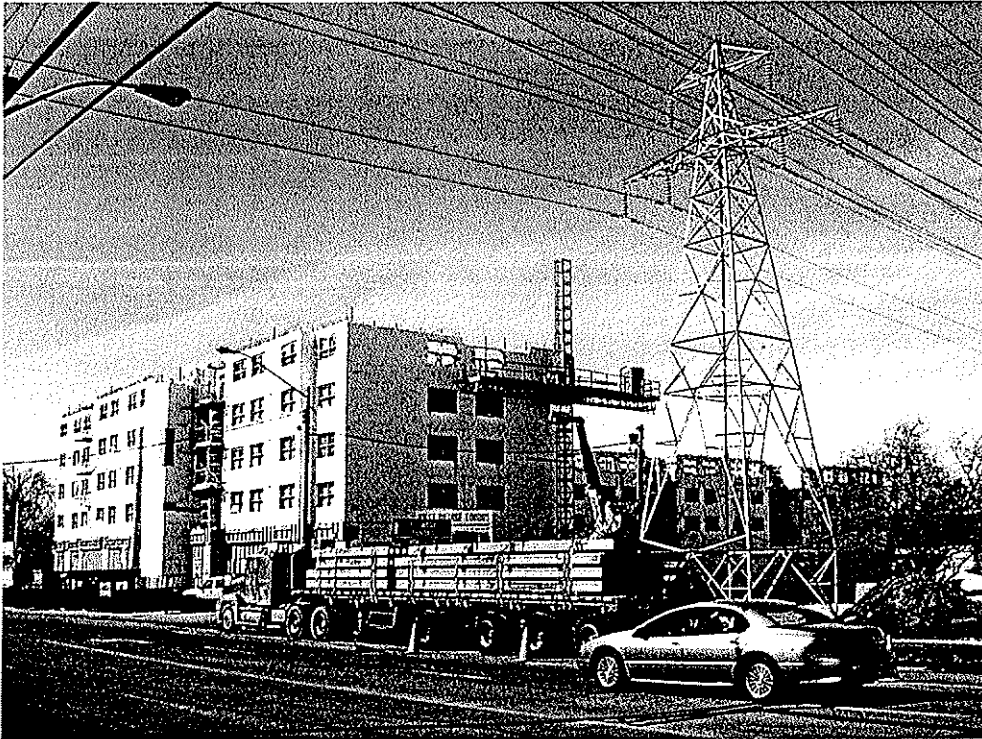


West Village Student Residence

- 200,000 ft² plus underground parking
- 9 Stories – two towers, with link area
- Link area houses student amenities



West Village - Thermal Envelope



Four components combine to form the building's thermal envelope;

1. Insulated Concrete Forms super structure (stops heat transfer between indoors and outdoors)
2. Double Glazed Low-e windows (prevents heat loss)
3. Energy Recovery Ventilators in each suite (circulates fresh air from out doors in each suite and expels stale air)
4. Reflective white roof membrane (deflects heat energy from the sun – traditional tar roof absorbs heat energy)

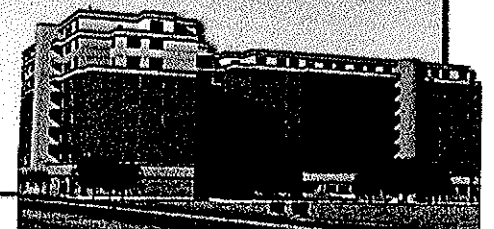


Thermal & Energy Performance



Thermal envelope benefits include;

- **Reduced heating and air conditioning cost**
- **Air tightness**
- **Moderate temperature swings due to thermal mass of concrete**

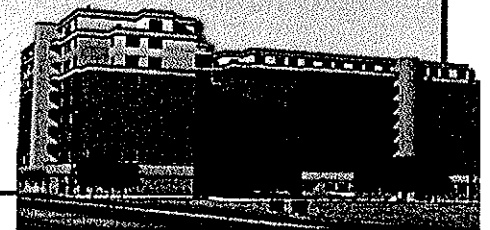


Energy Conservation Features



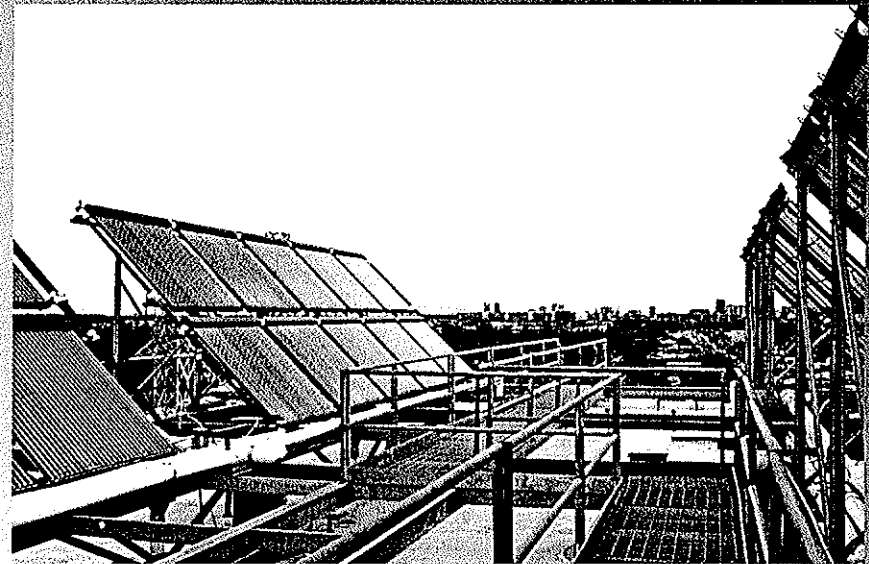
- **Watt Metres** that provide real time energy consumptions are provided in each suite to promote energy conservation

- **“Kill” switches** allow the last student exiting to turn off all lights in the suite with one switch



Design Features - Roof

- South roof equipped with solar thermal evacuated heat pipe technology (100% of summer domestic hot water heated using this technology)
- White membrane to reflect sun's heat.
- Catch basin and cistern to capture rain water then filtered and re-used in the toilet system



Design Features - Lighting

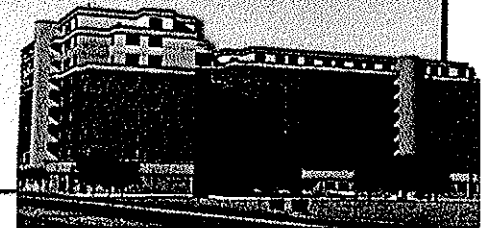


- **Lighting selection includes PL fixtures and compact fluorescent 9W – 13W bulbs**
- **Dimmable ballasts chosen for stairwells to reduce power consumption**



Appliance & Fixture Selection

- All suites furnished with:
 - Energy Star rated appliances
 - Low flow fixtures (toilets, bathroom faucets, shower faucets)



West Village – Day Lighting



- Plenty of natural daylight in common areas.
- Large bedroom windows 6'x4'



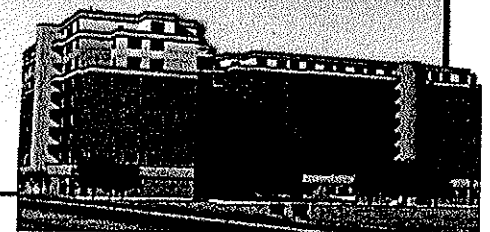
Environmental Features

Students sign an environmental pledge as part of the lease agreement

In-suite waste separation is mandatory for residents

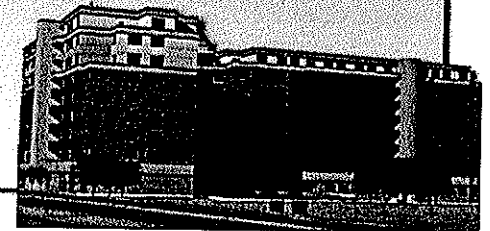
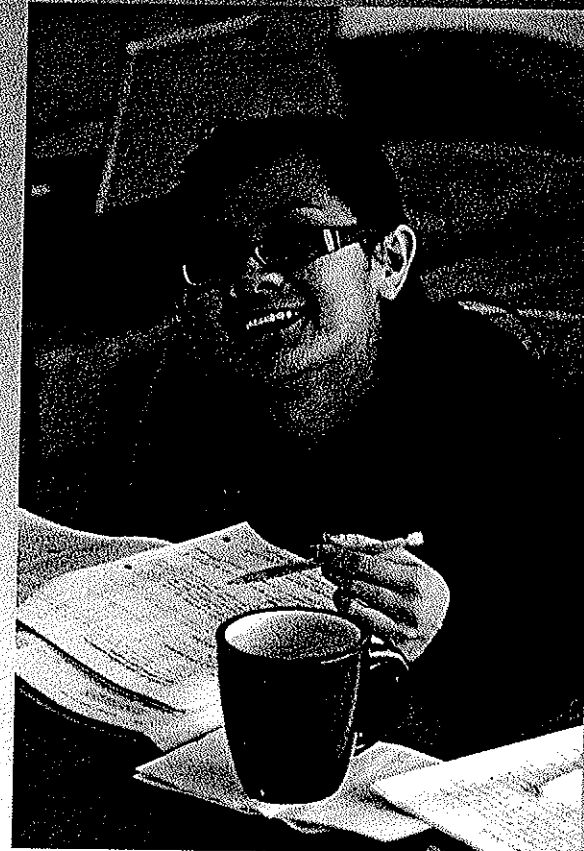
Organics, fibres and waste are sorted and picked up by Hamilton Waste

Pilot project for multi-unit residential building waste separation



Student Amenities

- 24 hour security
- Card access to building
- In-door access to commercial businesses
- 2-5 bedroom configurations
- No more than 2 students / washroom
- Rent includes in-suite common area cleaning twice per month
- Furnished suites available

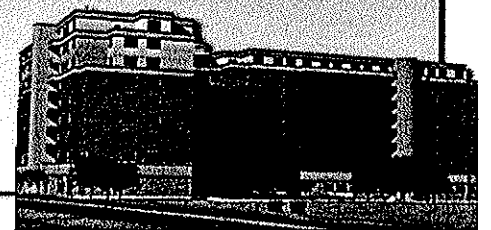


Student Amenities

- **Card-controlled use washer and dryer**
- **Choice of indoor or surface parking**
- **Rent includes use of**
 - **Games rooms**
 - **Aerobic rooms**
 - **Weight room**
 - **TV rooms**
 - **4 appliances**



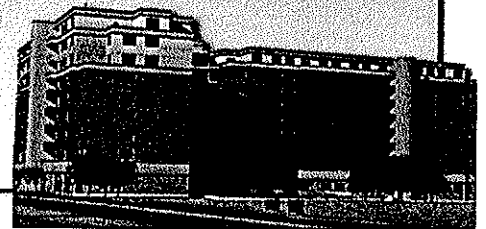
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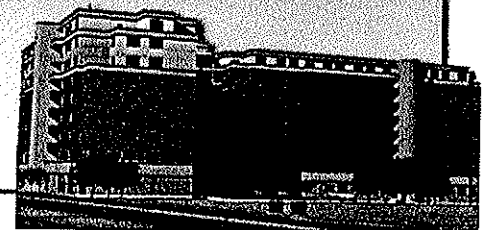
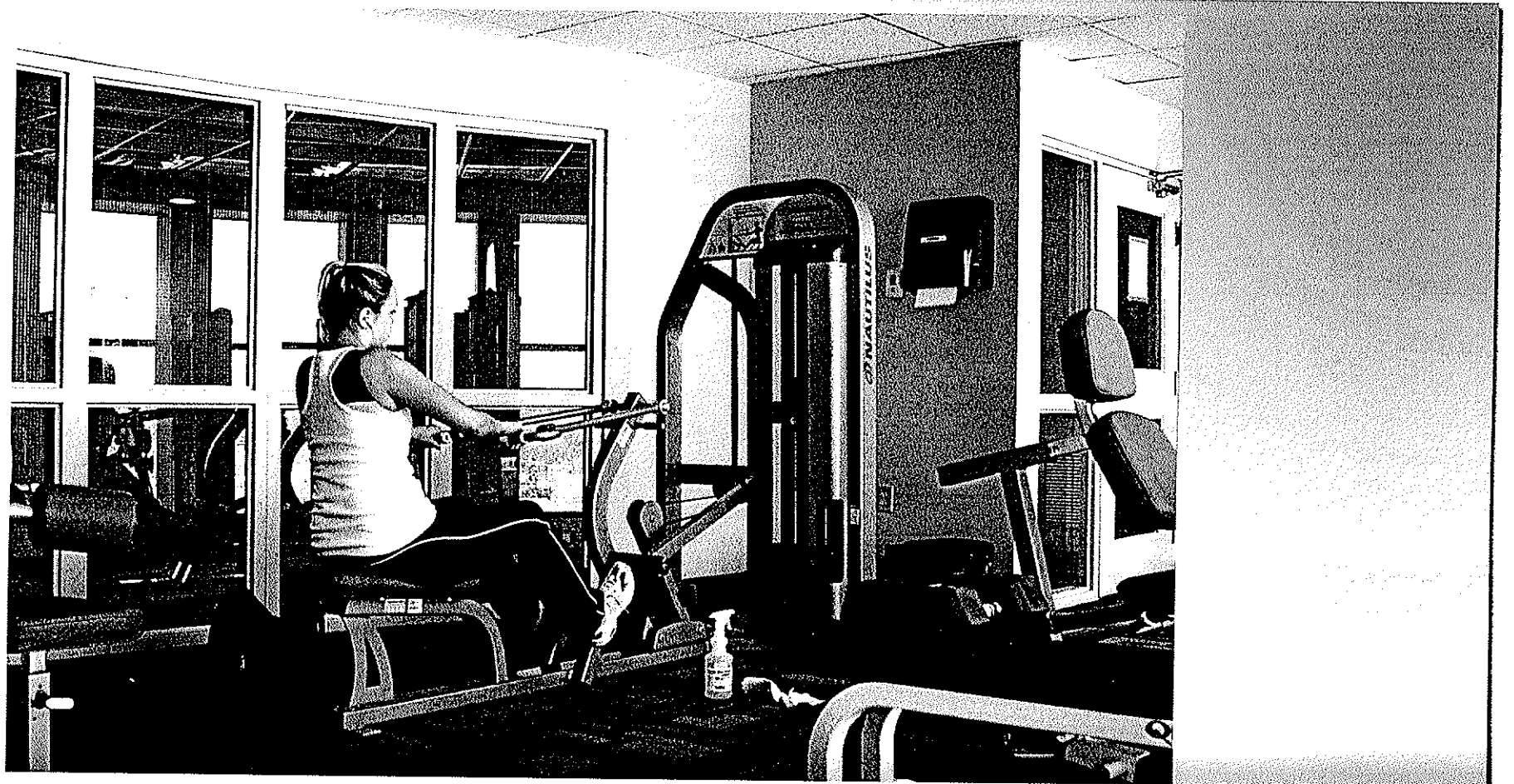
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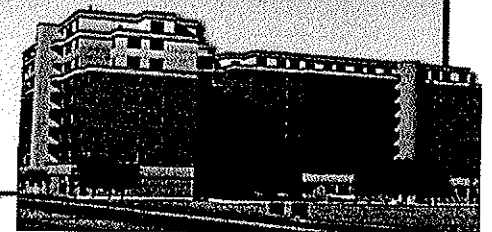
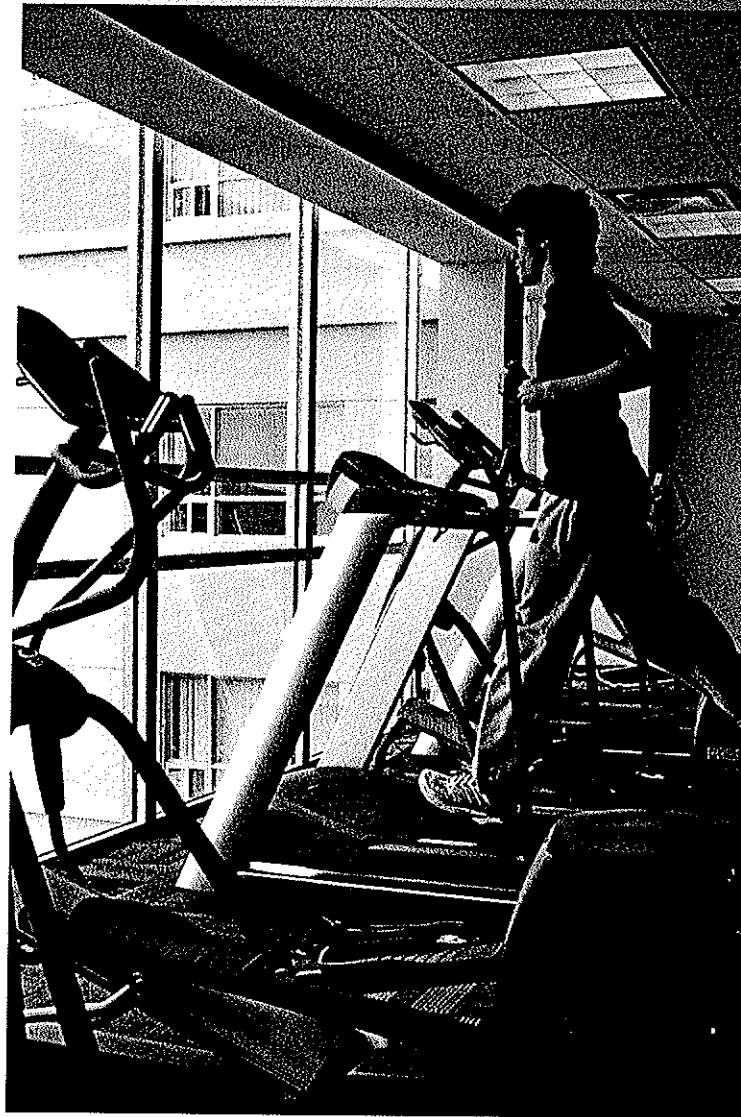
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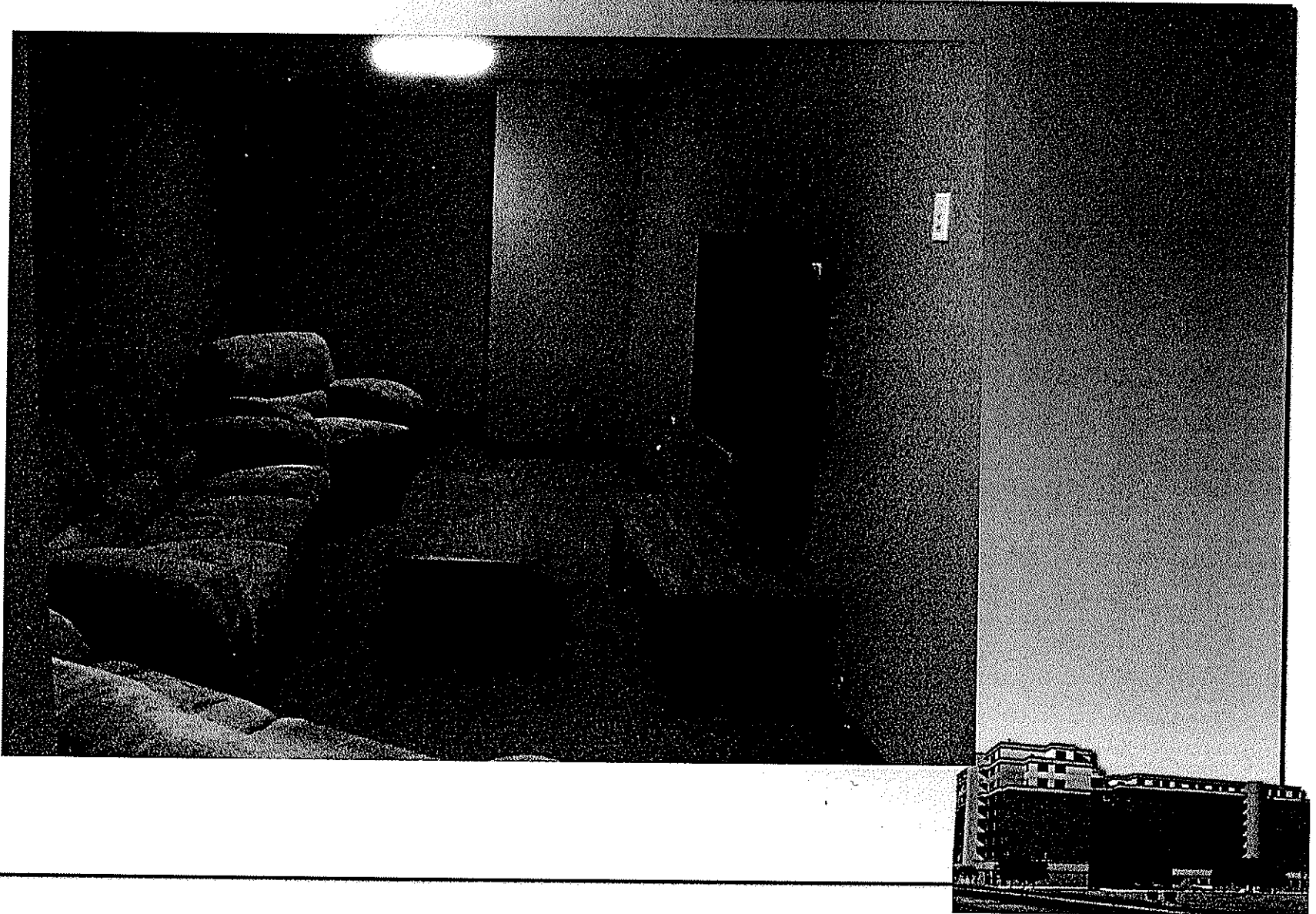
Weight Room



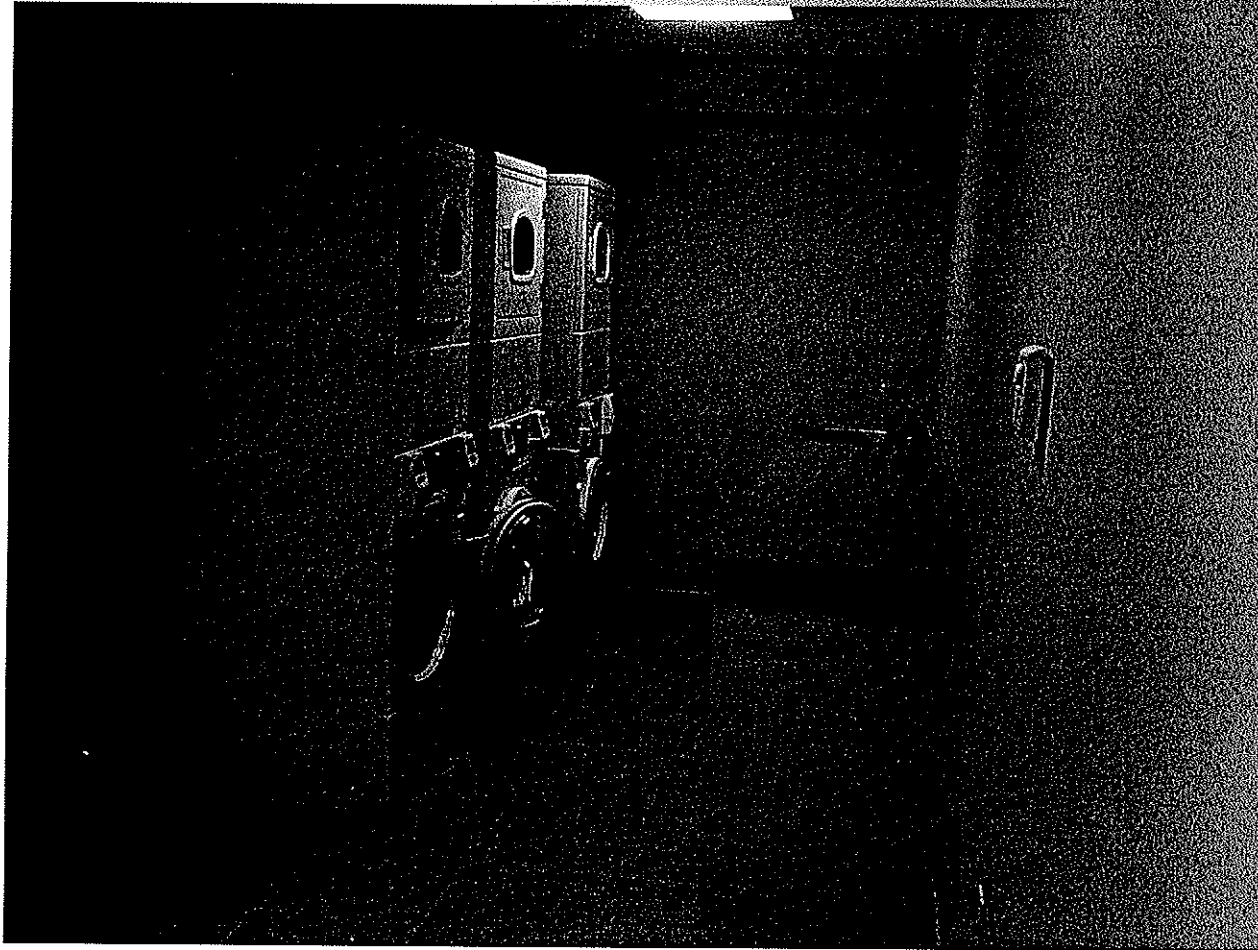
Aerobic Room



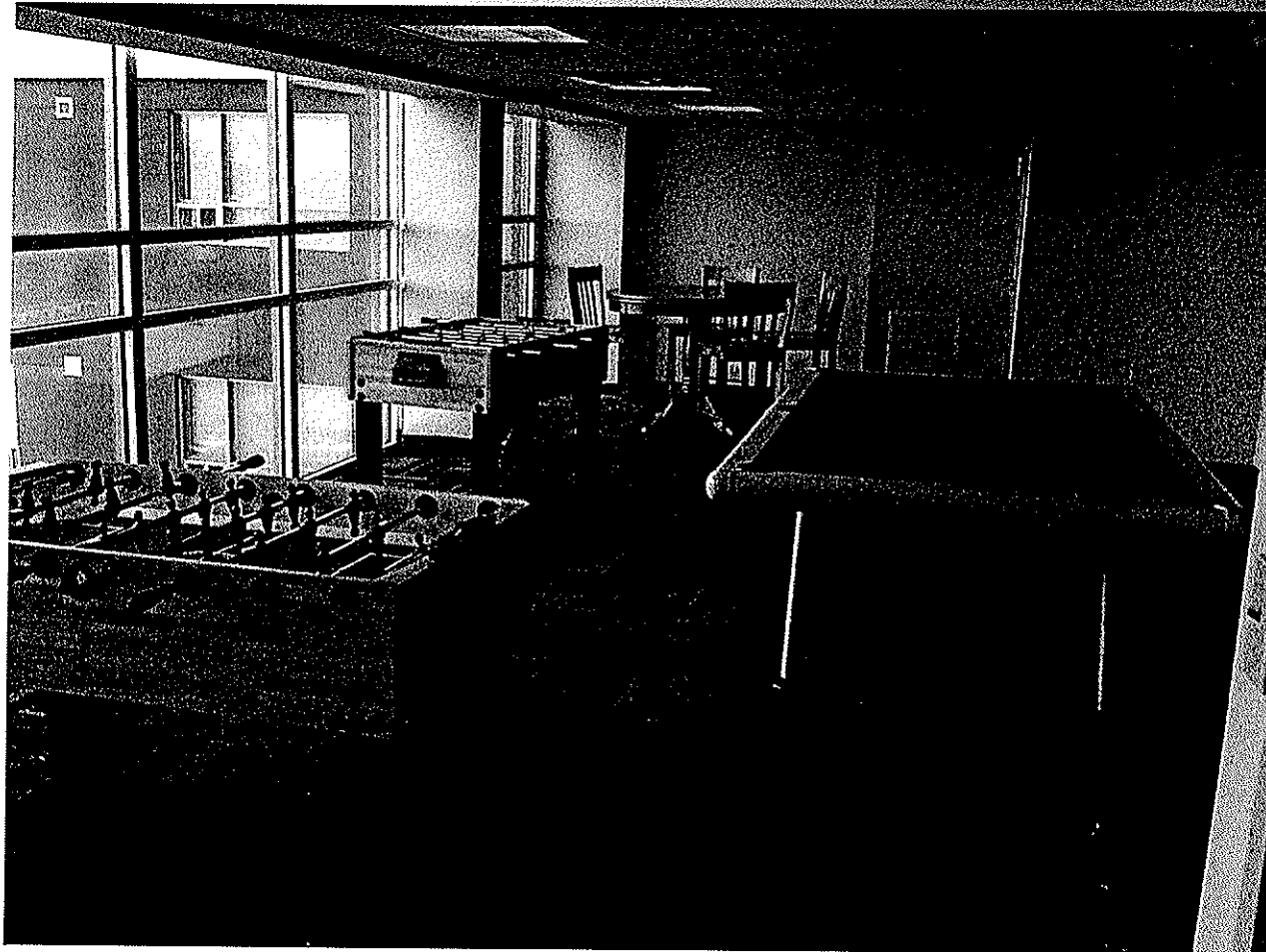
TV Rooms



Laundry Rooms



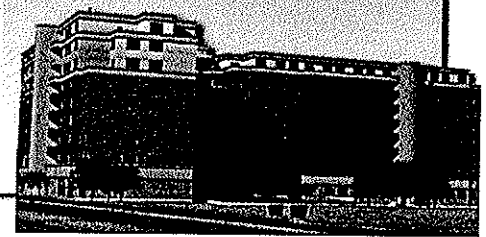
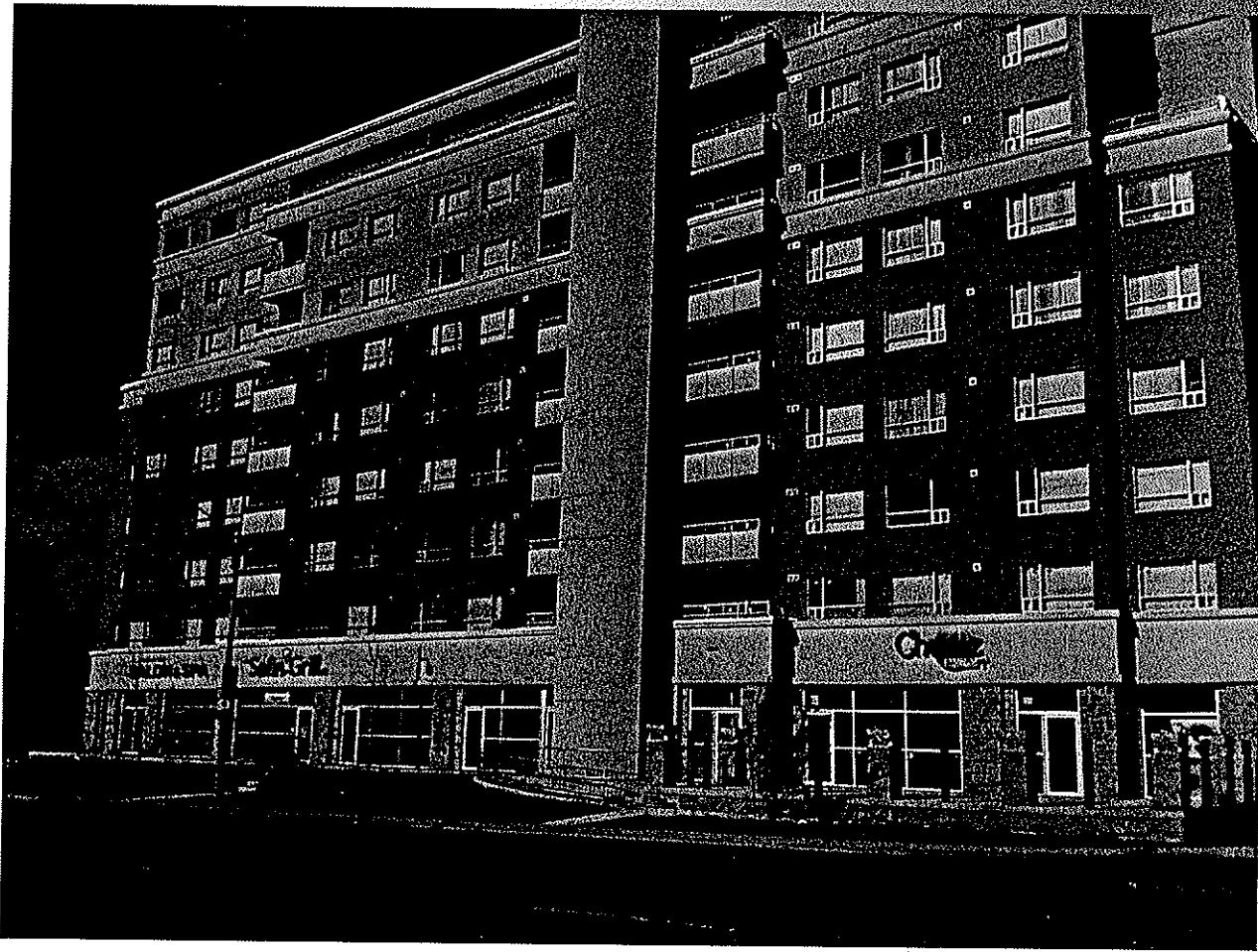
Games Rooms



Parking Garage

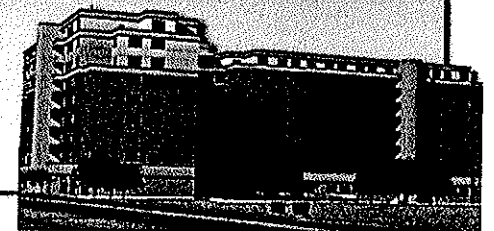


Main Street West Side

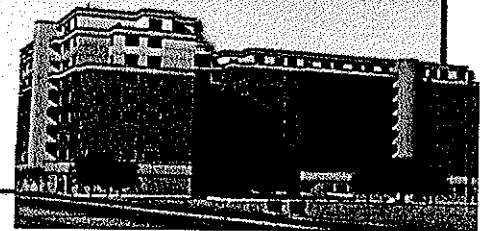


Thorold Proposal

- **City is encountering student – local resident problems similar to other cities**
- **City is contemplating a Licensing by-law similar to Oshawa**
- **Key to success in solving this challenge is to provide alternative housing for students**
- **We propose to build high quality student housing on Schmon Parkway (LEED Platinum standard)**
- **We would be pleased to tour you through our Hamilton facility and discuss our project further**



THANK YOU



DELEGATION #2

From: MYAC Y
To: Heather
Date: 12/05/2008
Subject: Re: Delegation to Council

Heather,

The Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee wishes to speak in front of delegation at the May 20th 2008 City Council meeting. Erica Baker, Mayor of MYAC, will be speaking on behalf of MYAC along with Leah Rosetti, Deputy Mayor of MYAC, who will also be available to answer any questions Council may have. We would like to report to council the success of our Youth Murder Mystery Night at the Keefer Mansion and our plans for the future.

Thank you for all of your hard work,
Erica Baker
Mayor of MYAC

Erica Baker & Leah Rosetti
Co-Chairs of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee for the City of Thorold
myac@thorold.com

DELEGATION #3

Heather hulls - Re: Health Con

Wireless Project

From: "stephanie m"
To: "Heather hulls" <clksten2@thorold.com>
Date: 26/04/2008 11:24 PM
Subject: Re: Health Concerns Documentation - City of Thorold Wireless Project

Dear Heather,

Thank you for your reply. The second option is requested, a 15 minute presentation to council on the subject matter concerning health risks and the wifi project in thorold. May we request the equipment for a Power Point presentation? As well, I will ask that the speaker present an itinerary as soon as it is available and forward this to you.

The date of May 20th is the desired date.

Please inform if you require any further details.

Kind regards,
Stephanie Soccio

On Thu, Apr 24, 2008 at 11:20 AM, Heather hulls <clksten2@thorold.com> wrote:

Ms. Marandola:

Our office is in receipt of the emails shared by yourself and Mayor D'Angela. We would like to offer the following suggestions:

1 - the information presented through the emails can be received for information purposes on the Council agenda of May 6, 2008

or

2 - You, or a representative, are welcome to attend a City Council meeting as a delegation to present the information directly to Council. Should you choose this option, I will require written confirmation (an email is acceptable) advising of who will be speaking and very briefly the subject matter. Also, please be advised that there is a 15 minutes time limit for all delegations and we do recommend that only one person be assigned to speak, although another person can certainly attend and be on hand to should Council have any questions.

The next meetings are May 6 and 20, 2008 and I would respectfully request that you advise our office of your intentions on or before April 30, 2008.

Yours truly,

Heather Hulls-Marrone,
Clerk-Steno II,
Corporation of the City of Thorold,
3540 Schmon Parkway,
P. O. Box 1044,
Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7

From: <henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net>
To: "Heather" <clksten2@thorold.com>
Date: 20/04/2008 7:37 pm
Subject: Fw: Fw: Fwd: Health Concerns Documentation

Heather,

Can you add the e-mail request to the next council agenda?

Thanks,

Henry
Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

-----Original Message-----

From: "stephanie m" <smarandola@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, 10 Apr 2008 09:10:40
To: henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net
Subject: Re: Fw: Fwd: Health Concerns Documentation

Dear Mayor D'Angelo,

I am writing to you as a follow up to our telephone conversation on April 9th, 2008 regarding the wireless project taking place in Thorold.

I am forwarding websites and information as discussed yesterday, as provided at a health and safety conference held at Brock University.

There was a very similar situation to that of Thorold's in San Francisco and I am attaching a website <http://www.weepinitiative.org/SNAFU.html> <<http://www.weepinitiative.org/SNAFU.html>> for your information.

The <http://www.weepinitiative.org> <<http://www.weepinitiative.org>> site has plenty of other studies and information on the WiFi topic as well as others. The San Francisco or SNAFU report is a really good starting point.

I would like to make an official request for Council to re-consider this wireless project for the health and safety of Thorold citizens.

I would also like to add that if it would be beneficial to have someone speak to Council, I am aware of someone who has addressed another city council in a proactive fashion. The goal of this was to raise awareness to council to prevent such projects like the one currently underway in Thorold from occurring in the city.

On a larger scale, Dr. Havas proposes the idea of addressing a higher level of government at the municipal level to combat the confusion and provide further discussion to a topic that does not appear to be public knowledge to date.

I look forward to your reply.

Kind regards,
Stephanie

On Wed, Apr 9, 2008 at 9:32 AM, <henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net
<mailto:henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net> > wrote:
Stephanie,

I am forwarding this information as requested.

Henry

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

-----Original Message-----

From: "Henry D'Angela" <mayor@thorold.com <mailto:mayor@thorold.com> >

Date: Tue, 08 Apr 2008 09:57:34

To: <henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net <mailto:henry.dangela@rogers.blackberry.net> >

Subject: Fwd: Health Concerns Documentation

----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Michael Somerville" <msomerville@reliaclear.com <mailto:msomerville@reliaclear.com> >

To: "'Henry D'Angela'" <Mayor@thorold.com <mailto:Mayor@thorold.com> >

Date: Tue, 8 Apr 2008 14:00:06 +0000

Subject: Health Concerns Documentation

Studies Show WiFi Radio Waves Are Not a Health Concern

Concern over the potential health effects of wireless signals has been around since the early 1990s, with most of the attention focused on cell phones. The FCC adopted limits for safe exposure to radio frequency (RF) energy. Radiofrequency radiation (RFR) is the propagation of electromagnetic energy through space. It has two basic properties: frequency and intensity. The effects of RFR are measured by absorption in human tissue. The unit for this measurement is called the specific absorption rate (SAR) and is expressed in watts per kilogram (W/kg).

The biological effects of WiFi are typically connected to studies on cell phone technology. Cell phones and WiFi operate on different levels of power intensity, but the standard for SAR is the same. While some research has been conducted on the biological effects of WiFi on human tissue, more research has been available on the effects of cell phone use.

The FCC requires cell phone manufacturers to ensure that their phones comply with these objective limits for safe exposure. Any cell phone at or below these SAR levels (that is, any phone legally sold in the U.S.) is a "safe" phone, as measured by these standards. The FCC limit for public exposure from cellular telephones is an SAR level of 1.6 watts per kilogram (1.6 W/kg), or between 0.6 watts and 3 watts.

Robert Bradley, director of consumer and clinical radiation protection at Canada's federal health department indicates "If you look at the body of science, we're confident that there is no demonstrable health effect or effects from wireless technology." A study was performed in 2005 at the Foundation for Research on Information Technologies in Society in Zürich, Switzerland.

This study conclusively showed that by operating at a distance of 20 cm, WiFi equipment is well below the U.S. standards for W/kg. Dr. John Moulder, a professor of radiation oncology at the Medical College of Wisconsin, who has researched and reviewed the biological effects of RFR, indicated that WiFi poses no health risks. Moulder and others point out that WiFi equipment emits less intense radiation than cell phones. Whereas most cell phones have a peak power output of 2 W, most WiFi routers have a peak power output of less than 100mW which is typical of indoor access points, and 400mW for outdoor units, but unlike cell phones and their base stations, WiFi devices do not communicate continuously. Dr.

Kenneth Foster, a professor of bioengineering at the University of Pennsylvania, recently completed a study of WiFi, taking over 350 measurements at 55 sites across four countries. According to his research, not only does WiFi equipment emit less radiation under load, it does so in much smaller bursts. "When the networks were not being used, the duty cycle was 0.01 percent or so. That means that it is radiating power for 0.01 percent of the time." While WiFi and microwaves use the same 2.4 GHz frequency, a microwave oven sends much more intense emissions than a WiFi device or cell phone. However, "Studies have shown that environmental levels of [radiofrequency] energy routinely encountered by the general public are far below levels necessary to produce significant heating and increased body temperature," stated a 1999 FCC paper entitled "Questions and Answers about Biological Effects and Potential Hazards of Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields."

Dr. Linda Erdreich, who has studied the biological effects of RFR for many years, and is now a senior managing scientist at Exponent, a scientific consulting firm, agrees with this assessment "We know that there is an adverse effect [associated with RFR] and it starts with heating tissue, but all of these things are well below the standard," she says. Outside the United States, similar conclusions have been made by related entities in Canada, Europe and Australia. The Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency and the Canadian Spectrum

Management and Telecommunications use the same United States SAR value of 0.08 W/kg in an uncontrolled environment. Despite this internationally compiled body of factual evidence regarding the health effects of WiFi, there remain a few concerned citizens who are not convinced. Dr. Erdreich says "I think that the reason why there are differences of opinions is because people are looking at single studies and not at the whole picture."

CORRESPONDENCE "A"

3 (A) ITEMS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

May 20, 2008

Nil

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Henry D'Angela - Bike Trails

From: "Karen"
To: <mayor@thorold.com>
Date: 4/21/2008 4:54 PM
Subject: Bike Trails

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Over the years, my family has had the pleasure of visiting Thorold for shopping and cycling the trail from Thorold.

Lately, there has been a increase of ATV's and dirt bikes using the same trails. Not only is this illegal, under your own bylaws, but is extremely unsafe. I am very worried about the health and safety of the many hikers and cyclists who share the trail with me. There appears to no enforcement at all on these trails.

I have discussed this concern with the Niagara Region Police, to no satisfaction. The officer appeared to be more concern with the possible lawsuits if one of these people using the ATV's getting hurt, however what about my family being hurt--would the town be held responsible?

Would you be able to discuss this with your fellow mayors and the police?

I would appreciate getting a follow up to this issue, asap. Why this is tolerated in Niagara region is beyond me.

John Edwards

✓ - Dir. PBS
✓ - CBO
✓ Comm. Police
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BUILDING & BYLAW

Jeff Menard
City of Thorold
P.O. Box 1044, 3540 Schmon Pkwy,
Thorold, On
L2V 4A7

April 28, 2008

Jeff Menard:

Thorold Community Day Care & Nursery School, is managed by Thorold Community Activities Group and is currently located at Thorold Secondary School.

The Day Care programs will be relocating to St. John's Anglican Church in June 2008. This year we hope to keep our some/all of our programs operating at St. John's on a permanent basis.

I would like permission to have a garbage dumpster placed on the former Thorold City Hall property, beside the recycle dumpster that is already there. We used this area last summer, and it worked out quite well. We are in need of a place to put our garbage, and are presently using a dumpster at Thorold Secondary School. I will arrange with the company to empty the dumpster on a regular basis.

We understand that, at some point in the future, there may be a need for us to make other arrangements for our garbage disposal, however, until that time, this works out so well.

Please let me know as soon as you can, so that I can make appropriate arrangements.

Thank you,

B. L. Lynds

Betty Lou Lynds,
Director of Childcare
Thorold Community Day Care & Nursery School
50 Ormond St. N
Thorold, Ont.
L2V 1Z1
905 227-1325

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Trinity has a lovely pointed piece of the bell tower left from the repair of the church.

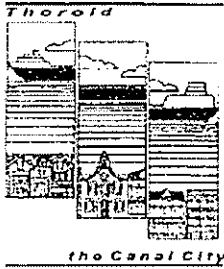
I was asking if you might be interested in placing it in Ingham Swart Park. Its age is 175 years.

Chair of Restoration.

Lillian Sykes.

Operations.

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THOROLD BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA

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Tuesday May 13, 2008

Mayor D'Angela and City Council:

It is our understanding that Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-42, respecting Community Event Signs, was presented to Council at the General Committee meeting of May 6, 2008.

As you are aware, the Thorold BIA holds an annual Car Show in July which we believe would fall under the definition of Community Event in the proposed amendment to the Sign By-law. We are respectfully requesting the Thorold BIA Car Show be included on Schedule "B" of City of Thorold Sign By-law 21-2007 as a community event.

Regards,

Serge Carpino

Serge Carpino

/bd

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Lamco Die Cast Ltd.
2246 Britannia Road
Mississauga, Ontario
L5M 1R3

Council
CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THOROLD
3540 Schmon Parkway, P.O. Box 1044
Thorold, Ontario
L2V 4A7

Fax: (905) 227-5590

Dear Council Members:

Re: 100 Wellington St. North, Thorold, Ontario

I would like to inform you that we have entered into an agreement in principle with an investor who has developed a plan which will put the above noted property into productive use.

As part of this plan, the investor would like to pay the outstanding city taxes in monthly installments of \$7,000 until the entire amount is paid up. The investor is also requesting that all the penalties and interest on this account should be forgiven on this account.

We are seeking your agreement with the above requests and look forward to your help and cooperation in finalizing the agreement with our investor.

Yours sincerely,

Goretti Pereira
416-809-8905

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✓ Finance

CORRESPONDENCE "C"

May 20, 2008

3(C) MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC FORUM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. Operations Public Services Committee Nil
2. Corporate Services Public Forum Committee Nil
3. Planning and Building Services Public Forum Committee Nil
4. Fire and Emergency Services Public Forum Committee Nil

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CITY OF THOROLD
LIST OF VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

1. Active Transportation Advisory Committee
2. Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to Review Council Salaries
3. Ad Hoc Committee to Review Community Grants
4. Allanburg Community Recreation Centre
5. Business Improvement Area Board of Management
6. Committee of Adjustment / Property Standards
7. Darlene Ryan Port Robinson Community Centre
8. Downtown Facade Technical Advisory Committee
9. Green Plan Advisory Committee
10. Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee
11. Lake Gibson Corridor Preservation Task Group
12. Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC)
13. Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee
14. Mel Swart / Lake Gibson Conservation Park Fundraising Committee
15. Physician Recruitment Committee
16. St. Catharines Student Housing Liaison Committee
17. Thorold Citizens Volunteer Recognition Committee
18. Thorold Community Activities Group
19. Thorold Community Policing Committee
20. Thorold Local Task Group: Welland Canals Parkway
21. Thorold Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation
22. Thorold Public Library Board
23. Thorold Runway of Recognition Committee
24. Thorold Senior Citizens' Drop-In Centre
25. Tourism Advisory Committee
26. Town and Gown Committee
27. War of 1812 Bicentennial Committee

CITY OF THOROLD
REPRESENTATION ON REGIONAL COMMITTEES

1. Greater Niagara Circle Route Committee
2. Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority
3. Region of Niagara Planning Review Committee
4. Regional Niagara Transportation Strategy Steering Committee
5. Regional Niagara Water Strategy Implementation Committee

CORRESPONDENCE "D"

Councillor T. Whalen

May 20, 2008

3(D) MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE FROM VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES TO BE
RECEIVED AND FILED

1. Allanburg Community Centre
(page D1) Re: Minutes of the February 21, 2008 meeting
2. Thorold Community Policing
(pages D2 to D4) Re: Minutes of the April 7, 2008 meeting
3. Active Transportation Advisory Committee
(pages D5 to D6) Re: Minutes of the April 12, 2008 meeting
4. Heritage Thorold LACAC
(pages D7 to D12) Re: - Minutes of the May 5, 2008 meeting
- Agenda for the June 2, 2008 meeting
5. Thorold BIA
(pages D13 to D17) Re: - Minutes of the May 6, 2008 Board meeting
- Minutes of the May 13, 2008 general meeting



ALLANBURG COMMUNITY CENTRE (ACC)

Minutes February 21, 2008

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<i>May 20, 2008</i>	

**Present: Butch Cowell, Patty Cowell, Len Ferry, Tim Whalen.
Absent: Anita Riddle.**

Len called the meeting to order at 6:10pm. Moved by Butch, seconded by Tim that the minutes be accepted as read.

Tim Conlon was in to give a price for cement in the main hall. He will be contacting Tim Whalen with the price.

The emergency lights have been fixed.

The budget is now to be known until after March.

The main doors have been replaced recently however the doors have a gap between them. Is this under warranty?

Elections were held:-

- Tim nominated Len for President**
- Len nominated Butch for 1st Vice President**
- Butch nominated Anita for Secretary**
- Len nominated Patty for Treasurer and Hall Rentals**

Everyone accepted for a three year term which will expire December 1, 2010.

Moved by Tim, seconded by Butch that the meeting be adjourned.

Next meeting will be April 24, 2008.

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MINUTES
THOROLD COMMUNITY POLICING COMMITTEE
April 7, 2008

Present: Dennis Delaney Bill Cole Nancy Rogers
 Bob Sagness Scott Benner Sandra Neale
 Don Labatte Len Ferry Inspector (Skatfeld) *Skatfeld spelling*
 Loretta Sawatzky Jordon Meffe Michael Vincent
 Mayor D'Angela David Rusnak Rev Eric Brewster
 Const. James Taylor Krista Miller Fred Neale

Regrets: Pat Reid

Guests: Linda Beyer from Regional Niagara. She presented a Power Point Presentation about the new "Niagara Think and Drive Campaign". The mission is to reduce fatal and serious motor vehicle collisions through community partnerships. This was her presentation to our Committee, for information purposes and for seeking our participation in this regional program.

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Approval of Minutes: Corrections
 - Const. James Taylor
 - Supt Dagenais will pay for those mounted photos that he requires, not for the full cost.
 Moved/Seconded: Fred/Len Passed: yes

Correspondence:

City Activity:

Chair:

- Dennis has received assurance from Council that our Office will remain open for at least one more year
- elaborated on an e-mail Conversation with Sergeant Neal Orlando with regards about costing of this satellite Office. It was explained that this office is not a satellite Office but a Community Policing Office. The NRPS are invited to use it when needed. This was the policy as it was originally setup.
- We have a window display of additional Anti-Graffiti Posters.

Vice Chair: Bob

- the large mounted photos have been placed 1. in the Front Street Office
- 2. City Hall, at Fred Neale's suggestion.

Secretary: Sandra

delivered to Bob Sagness, files in her care from past years: Skateboard Park in TS/Graffiti file for storage with the rest of the TCPC correspondence.

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Treasurer: Bill

-Bills paid: photos and prizes for contest for the am't of \$ 579.86

-Bank balance as at March 31: \$ 701.85

City Council:

Mayor's Report: City staff and NR are looking into road safety on Collier Road

Fred: reported on the 2008 City Budget and thanked Dennis for providing information on the Front Street office for Council's attention

Nancy: no report.

By-Law Enforcement: no report

Niagara Regional Police: Const James Taylor

-- March was a busy month --Thorold TV: on going

--Clairmont Street shooting: on going

--Indecent act: caught and charged

--graffiti arrest: both in St Cath, & Thorold
young offender

--the PT cruiser is not available for public awareness events. It has been traded.

--the Mayor suggested using a regular cruiser for ID and public awareness to children, needed for the July 1st Mayor's Canada Day in Beaverdams Park. James will not be available but he will have a cruiser made available for the event.

--successful raid on Romy Crescent

--with the Brock term nearing an end, it is "Party Time" James reported that additional police will be on the streets as well as on campus

--James presented information to council. A Nuisance bylaw has been approved, the fine schedules setup. It will be ready by fall/perhaps earlier.

--the Mayor also thanked the NRPS for the attentions to the Collier Road area.

Inspector Skatfeld: no report

On Going Business:

-Mayor's Canada Day BBQ July 1

Police cruiser available

Think and Drive display available

Bob/Dennis

-Car Show July 19, BBQ

Help for Eric: Hot Dogs/Sausage/water/soda – free will donation

Bob/Dennis

Handouts: Inspector (Skatfeld) ^{Skatfeld.} will see what is available

-Speed Watch:

Our contact, Jim Keefe has resigned because of lack of communication with the Company, although he promises to get our unit up running.

We are not the only committee or municipality having non operating units.

Moved/seconded: Bob/Bill that a letter from the Mayor and the City Lawyer be

sent to the Company, stating our issues and asking for service on our machine and/or a new machine, and/or a full refund of the purchase price, duties, exchange, taxes. Three new batteries have not solved the problem.

-Arts & Craft – Fred/Saundra/Dennis Anti-Graffiti Display was suggested and the “Think and Drive “will be available. Fred Pat Reid also volunteered to work at the display.

Scott – Shirts: \$27.

Ball Caps: \$ 10

Bucket Hat: \$ 12.50

It was suggested that the new proposed logo (Krista Miller) will be used on the above items.

New Business:

-Police Week @ Pen Centre: Dennis/Bob .May, 2008

-Dinner/Silent Auction in October 18, 2008 Report handed out to all members:

Discussion followed.

M/S: Fred/Bill that the format of the evening be Dinner, Speaker, and Music (for those who wish to stay for the dance) Cost of this would be \$25.00--Passed.

Round Table:

Bill:

--informed the Committee and the Mayor that the signs to be placed in his area have not been put up.

Loretta:

--car in driveway in TS. Will be forwarded to Bylaw enforcement—not represented at this meeting.

Dennis:

--parking on Front Street

--no spots for customers

--video surveillance equipment need to be profiled. Notice of availability of this unit to be placed on the office window. \$50 returnable fee if no damage to unit occurs.

Next Meeting: May 5, 2008 1 P.M. City Hall

Please send Dennis anything that members would like on the Agenda of next and future meetings

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 12, 2008

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May 20/08

PRESENT: Arlene Arch-Wilson, Rev. Eric Brewster, Dennis Delaney, Marian Landry, Councillor Ted Luciani, Beate Wolf

ABSENT: Dale Robinson

GUESTS: Judy Socha

Rev. Eric Brewster presided and called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM #1 - INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made between members of the committee and Judy Socho, a potential new member of the committee.

AGENDA ITEM #2 - MINUTES

MOVED BY: Rev. Eric Brewster

SECONDED BY: Dennis Delaney

THAT the minutes of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting held on March 8, 2008 be received and adopted.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #3 - COMMENTS FROM REV. ERIC BREWSTER, CHAIR

- Rev. Eric Brewster stressed to the committee the need for a Vice Chair as his health concerns are making it difficult to attend all meetings and carry the full workload of the Chair position.

A motion was made by Rev. Eric Brewster to ask committee member Dale Robinson to act as Vice Chair.

MOVED BY: Dennis Delaney

SECONDED BY: Arlene Arch-Wilson

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM #4 - PRESENTATION FOR CITY COUNCIL

- Committee member discussed points which should be included in the presentation to council;

safe walkway from Tim Hortons on St. Davids Rd. to the existing sidewalk
 refurbished pathways at Mel Swartz Park
 bike lanes on Richmond St. from Collier Rd. to Pine St. and Collier Rd. to Decew Rd.
 bike lanes on St. Davids Rd. from Townline to Brock University
 address specific transportation problems in Thorold and make suggestions
 on how to improve

our mission statement
International Charter for Walking and request the mayor sign

- Committee member discussed jobs they would take care of for the presentation;

Rev. Eric Brewster to create handouts
Arlene Arch-Wilson to help Rev. Eric Brewster put together his presentation
Marian Landry to print off package for council members
Arlene Arch-Wilson to send an email to the city clerk's department requesting to be a delegation at this Tuesday's meeting (April 15, 2008)

AGENDA ITEM #5 - THOROLD SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

- The spring Arts and Crafts Show will be held the fourth weekend in May. Committee members volunteered to work our booth during the show. Marian Landry will make a schedule and email it to each member for confirmation.

AGENDA ITEM #6 - OTHER BUSINESS

- 1) Rev. Eric Brewster had a banner made at Vital Signs too be used at Craft Show and Mayor's picnic.
- 2) Arlene Arch-Wilson to take the committees suggestions for changes to the logo and incorporate them. It will be emailed to members for final approval.
- 3) Dennis Delaney visited the Senior's Centre and discussed with visitors there the idea of a Seniors Walk. There was concern about the heat and a preference to having it during the week. Committee members talked about having the walk in September 2008. Also, the ideas of serving refreshments, having entertainment, asking the legion to participate and having a rain date were considered.
- 4) Rev. Eric Brewster let the committee know we are now listed on the city's website.
- 5) Councillor Ted Luciani to arrange our attendance at the mayor's picnic on Canada day.
- 6) Councillor Ted Luciani to make sure the committee is aware of any upcoming development and public meetings regarding this so we may make our suggestions for bike lanes etc.
- 7) Beate Wolf read a newspaper clipping regarding a public meeting for upcoming development in Thorold on April 9 at City Hall. She will be attending.
- 8) Arlene Arch-Wilson to send Judy Socha an electronic file of the committee application form in the event she wishes to become a member.
- 9) Marian Landry discusses the Cycling Campaign for 2008 from May 26 - June 1. She has kits available for anyone who wishes to be a team captain.

AGENDA ITEM #8 - AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

- Rev. Eric Brewster requested emails from committee members with suggestions for the next agenda.

AGENDA ITEM #9 - ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m. The next meeting will take place on May 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Thorold Tourism and Information Centre.

Minutes prepared by: A. Arch-Wilson, Secretary

Approved by: Rev. Eric Brewster, Chair



Heritage Thorold LACAC
Minutes of Meeting
6:30 p.m. Monday, May 5th, 2008
Committee Room, City Hall

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AGENDA
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Present:

P.Minns T.Russell
R. Hale S.Neale
C.Finlay M. Charron
J.LePera J.Slack A.Hughes

Absent/Regrets:

C. Stockman

Guests:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOVED by M.Charron SECONDED by J.Slack
that the minutes of the meeting of April 7th, 2008 be approved, as distributed.
CARRIED

Budget 2008

A letter has been sent to the Director of Finance requesting that some of the funds in our budget be reallocated to accommodate the work we have planned in architectural design in the downtown. Although we have not been officially notified, our budget for 2008 is the same as 2007, that is \$18,000.

MOVED by S.Neale SECONDED by T.Russell

that the following be approved for payment :

James Kerr April 29-08 re. drawings for Post Cards	\$1,600.00
Creative Offset April 16-08 re. Photocopies	\$ 19.58
P. Minns re. Computer Ink April 13-08	\$ 106.95

CARRIED

Register of Historic Places

Four properties are now at the Provincial level for editing;
Three properties at the Federal level for editing.
No further properties will be sent in until these find their way through the system.

Heritage Inventory

Remove from Agenda

Map for Brochure

No report

L.G.Lorriman/Central School

No further report on the future of this vacant heritage building.

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Post Office (Federal Gov't Building)

It is understood that this building is up for sale. A background and history has been received from Heritage Canada Foundation, along with photographs of the building.

Toll House

A letter has been received from the City that they plan to proceed with the removal of the building and a Request for Proposal has been released. The exterior stone cladding is to be salvaged for a potential future project.

CVL Building

A.Hughes is to compose suitable wording for a recognition plaque for this building so that the owners are aware of the content and size of the plaque.

Gypsy Alley (11 Front St. S.)

M.Battell has some finishing touches to be made on this report, eg. photographs and some editing.

Camera

J.Bernardi requires some photographs of our downtown. M.Irving has been asked to take these; the camera is in the possession of S.Neale and members felt that it should be kept in a central place so that it is available to all members of this committee; therefore, its location will be kept track of by signing it in and out each time it is used

Display Board

A.Hughes is to collaborate with M.Irving who has photographs which can be used.

Downtown Facade Committee

No further meetings. The City is proposing an expansion to the Downtown Community Improvement Area and this area would be eligible for monies from the Facade Improvement Grant Program.

Regional Culture Committee - Heritage

M.Shoalts and P.Minns will be making a presentation to the Public Works/Planning Committee with a view to creating a greater awareness of the heritage value of O'Reilly's Bridge in Wainfleet. There is a regular discussion about the designation of the Welland Canal Corridor as a heritage site.

Post Cards

J.Kerr has supplied drawings of 4 sites to be used for post cards. The Secretary is to check with the supplier to ascertain what the minimum number would be for ordering.

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Eddie Friel

R.Hale reported that Mr.Friel is ill at the moment and she has had no reply directly from him about a possible presentation in Thorold.

Architectural Design - Downtown

As reported, it has been necessary to reallocate our budget in order to accommodate this work. The proposal received from Sean Kelly had been circulated to members who are in favour of proceeding. The matter of recognizing the connection of LACAC to Tourism, the BIA and the Facade program was discussed, as well as the need for recognition of the contribution that this committee is making, not only through their commitment to our historical downtown, but monetarily as well. Once the budget matter has been settled, Sean will be asked to begin work. He has been notified to this effect.

Bi-Centennial War of 1812

It was felt that this should be added to the Agenda.

Dobbie House

A.Hughes is to check on the revisions to the report on the Dobbie House.

AMO Annual Meeting

It has been announced that the AMO annual meeting of 2014 will be held in Niagara.

Mail

-*Received*

-Carolinian Canada Annual Meeting May 22-08

-*"The Star" "Linking Past and Future"*

-Agora 1 Heritage Canada Foundation

-Agora 1 Challenges to Designation

-Agora 1 Historic Bottle Cache

-Agora 1 Training Materials

-Heritage Canada Foundation Marks Earth Day with *Landmarks, not Landfill* Campaign

-SKA Thorold Facade Work Apr.21-08

-SKA Thorold Facade Work Quotation Apr.15-08

-J.Menard, City of Thorold Apr.17-08 re. Toll House

-Drawings - J. Kerr re. Post Cards

-Invoice J.Kerr re. Post Cards

-HCF May 1-08 re. Top Ten Endangered Places

-*Explore the Past - Celebrate the Future* Museum Month 2008

-*"Edifice"* Magazine #16

-PJ Materials Consultants Ltd. 2-day Workshop May 12-13, 2008

-City of Thorold Apr.8-08 re. Amico Residences (Grey Gables, BDO Dunwoody)

-City of Thorold Apr.18-08 re. Federal Financial Tax Incentives for Heritage Places

-Creative Offset Invoice Apr.16-08 \$19.58

-City of Thorold Zoning By-Law 01-2008

-Ministry of Citizenship re. Ontario Volunteer Awards 2008

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Mail (continued)

- City of Thorold Council Agenda May 6-08
- City of Thorold Council Agenda Apr.15-08
- HCF Chris Weibe - Apr.11-08 Reports on Thorold Post Office
- Willowbank notices of activities
- Willowbank Appt. Executive Director of School Apr.11-08
- Binational Tourism Alliance *Art of Architecture Gala* June 5-08
- Niagara Region Culture Committee re. Niagara Gallery Apr.8-08
- City of St.Catharines Designations May 10-08
- City of Thorold Proposed Expansion to the Downtown Community Improvement Area
- Melanie Battell May 4-08 re. Gypsy Alley
- City of Niagara Falls re. Cultural Heritage Landscapes Apr.8-08

-Sent

- Ministry of Culture Apr. 21-08 re. HCF Training Materials
- Members of Committee Apr.18-08 re. Quotation SKA
- Maria J.Mauro Apr.30-08 re. Reallocation Budget 2008
- SKA re. Terms of Reference Apr.9-08
- R.Hale re. SKA Proposal Apr.21-08
- Melanie Battell May 4-08 re. Gypsy Alley
- HCF re. support for Tax Incentives
- City of Niagara Falls re. Cultural Heritage Landscapes Apr.7-08

Next Meeting

Monday, June 2nd, 2008 - 6:30 p.m. City Hall Committee Room #2

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



BINATIONAL
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The Binational Tourism Alliance
and
2008 Doors Open Steering Committee Members

Invite you to join us for

The Second Annual "Art of Architecture" Gala
A Fundraiser for the Binational Doors Open Niagara Program

Château des Charmes
1025 York Road
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Thursday, June 5, 2008
6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Join us for a Special Evening of Binational Architecture,
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- Special Preview of the 2007 "Art of Architecture" & "architage": Doors Open Niagara Architectural Photography Contest Exhibit
- 2007 Art of Architecture awards presentation and opportunity to meet the artists
- ONE-NIGHT ONLY showing of "Unbuilt Niagara" – renderings and models of some of binational Niagara's finest unbuilt designs and plans

Wines courtesy of Château des Charmes
Hors d'Oeuvres
Music by the Mark Mazur Band

Limited number of tickets \$50.00 per person plus GST

Call 1-888-849-5834 to purchase tickets



**Agenda - Heritage Thorold LACAC
Monday, June 2nd, 2008, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall Committee Room**

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AGENDA
May 20/08

1. **Opening** - - Minutes of May 5th , 2008 Meeting
2. **Financial** - Budget 2008
3. **Education / Public Awareness**
 - Register of Canada's Historic Places
 - Map for Brochure
4. **Status of Buildings / Sites** L.G.Lorriman/Central School
Post Office Building

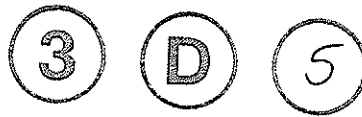
Recognition Plaques J.B. Stone
1827 Stone
CVL Building

Designations/Properties

Being Researched
11 Front St. South (Gypsy Alley)

5. **Other Business**
 - Display Board
 - Downtown Facade Committee
 - Downtown Design
 - Bi-centennial War 1812
 - Other
 - Regional Culture Cte.
 - Post Cards
 - Eddie Friel
 - Cultural
Heritage Landscapes
6. **Mail - Received / Sent**
7. **Next Meeting** Monday, July 7th , 2008 6:30 p.m.
8. **Adjournment**

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Thorold BIA Board Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2008

8am- Canal City Realty Board Room

Present: Serge Carpino, Ada Boland, Gloria Zawaly, Mike Charron, Fred Neale,
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Becky May 20/08	

- Presentation** of gift basket to Chairman Serge Carpino for 25yrs of real estate service.
- Website proposal** from Paul Carfagnini

\$875 development and design, \$108 hosting, \$27 name and registration, \$50/hr. updates

Total = \$1010.00

- Make sure website is current. Talk to Paul about updating fee.
- Be sure to link BIA website to The City of Thorold and Thorold Tourism

Fred Neale moves we proceed with the website proposal up to \$1200. Mike Charron seconded. Passed.

- Printing for BIA tourism brochures** (Terry Dow is donating \$200) \$100 to do layout. \$580 for printing for 4000 is the best printing deal we have been able to find. Total = \$680

Ada Boland moves we proceed. Seconded by Gloria Zawaly. Passed.

- Car Show update**-dash plaques \$2 each. Moved by Fred Neale and seconded by Mike Charron. Passed. Save room for police cruiser at Car show.
- BIA Constitution** has been rec'd for information purposes at the City of Thorold.
- Slogan ideas:** rec'd only 3 so far. Contest to go to the public in Niagara News.
- Marketing proposal**- from Paul Carfagnini

Promotion will cost the BIA \$400 + the already discussed \$300 service fee =\$700 total. We will get board approval via email vote to allow Paul to have time to do his work.

8. **BIA Strategic Mapping Plan**- translating initiatives into action. Becky presented rough draft of goals/mission statement/initiatives. Board members will answer some questions to provide input for final version of strategy map.
9. **Other business**-outdoor commercial patios will be discussed at tonight's council meeting.

LACAC update on facade designs by Mike Charron. LACAC is producing postcards of heritage buildings that will sell for approx. \$1 each. Looking for places to sell them.

Adjourned at 9am.

Heather hulls - attachment to May BIA Board Meeting Minutes

From: "Becky Day" <aworkinprogress@cogeco.ca>
To: "Heather city hulls" <clksten2@thorold.com>,

Date: 08/05/2008 9:13 AM
Subject: attachment to May BIA Board Meeting Minutes

Hi Heather: please attach this to the board meeting minutes I sent yesterday. Thank you.
Becky

That the marketing plan proposed by Paul Carfagnini in the amount of \$400, to go with the previously approved \$300, be approved...moved by Fred Neale and seconded by Gloria Zawaly. All in favour. Passed.

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Thorold BIA General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday May 13, 2008

City Hall 8am

Present: Serge Carpino, Ada Boland, Gloria Zawaly, Fred Neale, Mike Charron, Mike Skrtich, Pamela Minns, Becky Day

1. **Printing for BIA tourism brochures** (Terry Dow is donating \$200) \$100 to do layout. \$580 for printing for 4000. Total = \$680. Ada Boland moves we proceed. Seconded by Gloria Zawaly. Passed.

2. **Car Show update**-dash plaques \$125 for 100. Moved by Fred Neale and seconded by Mike Charron. Passed. Police cruiser will be attending Car show. Next year look at expanding and welcoming new cars? Will need volunteers and registration tent. Request to council that car show become a community event. We encourage all businesses to do something on the day of the event! Please let us know how you can participate.

3. **BIA Constitution** has been rec'd for information purposes at the City of Thorold.

4. **Slogan ideas:** rec'd only 3 so far. Contest has gone to the public in Niagara News. We will discuss the list soon.

5. **Website proposal** from Paul Carfagnini

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Fred Neale moves we proceed with the website proposal up to \$1200. Mike Charron seconded. Passed.

6. **Marketing proposal**- from Paul Carfagnini

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Promotion will cost the BIA \$400 + the already approved \$300 service fee = \$700 total. Moved by Fred Neale and seconded by Gloria Zawaly. Passed. This will be an opportunity for merchants to take advantage of group marketing. Summer celebration is the umbrella theme. Take an established event and the challenge is to convert the car show traffic into the stores. Paul will arrange a mail out delivered by Canada post to 3000 people in Thorold with a concentration area in the Confederation heights area. 10 merchants will be featured and we will focus on retail and merchants for this, but others are welcome.

7. **Budget-** updated budget report was not available, but Serge will get one for next board meeting.
8. **LACAC** is producing heritage postcards and looking for places to sell them
9. **Other business-Outdoor Commercial Patios** update (update by Fred Neale). The city is looking at developing a framework that will govern the establishment of sidewalk patios on public property within Thorold with respect to location, size, height, parking and various other provisions including access, fencing, noise, loading areas, accessibility and hours of operation without the requirement of a site plan agreement. A sidewalk patio license agreement will be necessary to regulate this type of use. They are looking for comments from various committees and from BIA businesses. For more information, please contact Becky Day for a draft by-law. Please forward your written comments to Mr. Jack Bernardi at the City of Thorold.

Meeting adjourned at 9am.

Minutes recorded by Becky Day

Sincerely,

Serge Carpino

CORRESPONDENCE "E"

Councillor F. Neale

May 20, 2008

3(E) REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE REGION OF NIAGARA TO BE
RECEIVED AND FILED

1. Office of the Regional Clerk
(pages E1 to E13)

Re: - The Rates of Taxation for Regional General
and Special Purposes for the Year 2008
- Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of
the Area Municipalities for 2006

2. Planing and Development
(pages E14 to E18)

Re: 2008 Gypsy Moth Spray Program

May 5, 2008

Mr. John Bice
City Clerk
City of Thorold
P.O. Box 1044
8 Carleton St. South
Thorold, ON L2V 4A7

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CL 9-2008, May 1, 2008
Bylaw 41-2008
A by-law to Amend Bylaw 38-2008
Being a Bylaw to Set and Levy
The Rates of Taxation for Regional
General and Special Purposes for the Year 2008

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara, at its meeting of May 1, 2008, approved Bylaw No. 38-2008, a bylaw to amend Bylaw 38-2008 being a bylaw to set and levy the rates of taxation for Regional general and special purposes for the year 2008.

A certified copy of Bylaw 38-2008 is enclosed for your information.

For further information on this matter, please contact John Bergsma, Commissioner, Corporate Services at (905) 685-4225, ext. 3292.

Yours truly,

Pam Gilroy
Regional Clerk
cc: J. Bergsma, Commissioner, Corporate Services

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THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

BY-LAW NO. 41-2008

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 38-2008
BEING A BY-LAW TO SET AND LEVY
THE RATES OF TAXATION FOR REGIONAL
GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2008

WHEREAS the Regional Council of The Regional Municipality of Niagara has passed By-law No. 38-2008 to set and levy the rates of taxation for Regional General and Special Purposes for the Year 2008;

AND WHEREAS Ontario Regulation 103/08 made on April 21, 2008 under the Education Act amended Ontario Regulation 400/98 and set Tax Rates for Education Purposes for 2008 for property in the industrial property class;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 38-2008 to amend the Industrial Property Class Education Tax Rates for 2008 to match the rates approved in Ontario Regulation 103/98.

THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Paragraph 3 of By-law 38-2008 is deleted and replaced with the following:

Property Class	Occupied	Excess/Vacant Land
Commercial	0.01592891	0.01115024
Industrial	0.02566768	0.01668399

2. Schedule A referred to in Paragraph 5 of By-law 38-2008 is deleted and replaced with the attached Schedule A.
3. That in all other respects the said By-law 38-2008 shall remain in full force and effect.

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4. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date upon which it is passed.

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA



(Peter Partington, Regional Chair)



(Pam Gilroy, Regional Clerk)

Passed: May 1, 2008

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CLERK, Regional Municipality of Niagara

The Regional Municipality of niagara
2008 Regional & Education Tax Rates

Property Class	2008 Tax Rates			
	Regional			Education
	Department	NHS	Total	
Residential	0.00690056	0.00001264	0.00691320	0.00264000
Multi-Residential	0.01421516	0.00002602	0.01424118	0.00264000
New Multi-Residential	0.00690056	0.00001264	0.00691320	0.00264000
Commercial	0.01213532	0.00002222	0.01215754	0.01592891
Excess Land	0.00849473	0.00001556	0.00851029	0.01115024
Vacant Land	0.00849473	0.00001556	0.00851029	0.01115024
Industrial	0.01814848	0.00003324	0.01818172	0.02566768
Excess Land	0.01179651	0.00002161	0.01181812	0.01668399
Vacant Land	0.01179651	0.00002161	0.01181812	0.01668399
Pipelines	0.01127137	0.00002062	0.01129199	0.01532030
Farmlands	0.00172514	0.00000316	0.00172830	0.00066000
Managed Forests	0.00172514	0.00000316	0.00172830	0.00066000
Farmland Awaiting Development I	0.00517542	0.00000948	0.00518490	0.00198000
Farmland Awaiting Development II	0.00690056	0.00001264	0.00691320	0.00264000

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May 5, 2008

Mr. John Bice
City Clerk
City of Thorold
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CL 9-2008, May 1, 2008
CSC 6-2008, April 16, 2008
Report CSD 47-2008
Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the
Area Municipalities for 2006

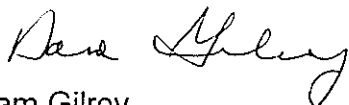
The Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara, at its meeting of May 1, 2008, approved the following recommendation of its Corporate Services Committee:

"That Report CSD 47-2008, April 16, 2008, respecting Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the Area Municipalities for 2006, be received and forwarded to the area municipal councils for information."

A copy of Report CSD 47-2008 is attached for your information.

For further information on this matter, please contact John Bergsma, Commissioner, Corporate Services at (905) 685-4225, ext. 3292.

Yours truly,



Pam Gilroy
Regional Clerk
cc: J. Bergsma, Commissioner, Corporate Services

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Niagara Region

REPORT TO: Co-Chairs and Members of the
Corporate Services Committee

SUBJECT: Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the
Area Municipalities for 2006

RECOMMENDATION

That this Committee recommends to Regional Council:

The report on Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the Area Municipalities for 2006 be received and forwarded to the area municipal councils for information.

PURPOSE

This annual report presents an analysis of the tax collection and arrears experiences of Niagara Region's area municipalities for the year ended 2006.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The analysis contained in this report highlights the ability of ratepayers to pay their property taxes. This reflects both the collection practices of the area municipalities and their economic environment. In 2006, tax arrears as a percentage of the current tax levy decreased to 7.8%.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

BACKGROUND

An analysis of the tax collection and arrears experiences of the area municipalities is performed following the completion of their audited Financial Information Returns. This analysis may be used as a guide in assessing the financial health of the area municipalities and is a good indicator of the willingness and ability of the individual ratepayer to meet their property tax responsibilities.

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The area municipalities' tax bills include amounts for Niagara Region and Education. The area municipalities remit the Region's portion on scheduled levy dates which are specified in an annual By-law.

REPORT

The 2006 tax experiences of the area municipalities are provided in Schedules 1 to 3. These schedules indicate the 2006 tax levy, the amount of taxes in arrears, as well as taxes collected including the collection of prior years' arrears, year-over-year comparisons and a five year history.

Total Taxes Outstanding (Schedule 1 and Schedule 4)

The 2006 current tax levy amounted to \$678.0 million, an increase of 3.3% from the previous year. Six of the twelve area municipalities, experienced an increase in total tax arrears when compared to 2005, ranging from 0.2% in Niagara Falls to 54.1% in Thorold. A comparison of tax arrears by municipality is provided in Table A.

Table A

Municipality	Total Tax Arrears ^(a)			Total Arrears as a % of Current Tax Levy	
	2005	2006	Change	2005	2006
Niagara Falls	\$14,461,355	\$14,489,650	0.2%	10.0%	9.6%
Port Colborne	\$2,991,937	\$2,172,550	-27.4%	10.7%	7.8%
St. Catharines	\$11,253,808	\$11,609,842	3.2%	5.5%	5.5%
Thorold	\$1,472,783	\$2,269,784	54.1%	5.3%	8.0%
Welland	\$15,485,302	\$6,530,285	-57.8%	24.4%	10.2%
Fort Erie	\$2,944,858	\$3,504,854	19.0%	6.6%	7.7%
Grimsby	\$2,553,293	\$2,476,047	-3.0%	7.5%	6.9%
Lincoln	\$3,454,544	\$3,610,817	4.5%	11.5%	11.4%
NOTL	\$2,329,297	\$3,071,300	31.9%	7.3%	8.9%
Pelham	\$1,170,017	\$1,166,312	-0.3%	5.4%	5.1%
Wainfleet	\$896,348	\$804,355	-10.3%	9.5%	8.4%
West Lincoln ^(b)	\$1,222,777	\$1,168,699	-4.4%	8.5%	7.8%
Total	\$60,236,319	\$52,874,495	-12.2%	9.2%	7.8%

(a) Excludes allowances for uncollectables.

(b) To be finalized.

Across the region, total arrears as a percentage of current levy decreased from 9.2% in 2005 to 7.8% in 2006. Lincoln recorded the highest tax arrears position at 11.4% and Pelham the lowest at 5.1%.

Schedule 4 estimates the allocation of each area municipality's tax arrears by levy. Of the \$52.9 million in tax arrears, Niagara Region's allocation is estimated at \$23.3 million and education \$13.0 million.

Total taxes in arrears include taxes receivable for the current year, previous and prior year's levies, and penalties and interest owing. This total represents the dollars which taxpayers are either unable or unwilling to pay for their respective portions of government services. It also reflects the combined collection and enforcement procedures of the municipalities.

Total Tax Collections (Schedule 1 and Schedule 3)

Total taxes collected in 2006, including both current taxes and taxes in arrears amounted to \$678.3 million. Of this amount, current tax levy collections accounted for \$631.7 million and tax arrears \$46.1 million. Overall, current collections as a percentage of current tax levy decreased slightly from 93.7% in 2005 to 93.2%. The current collection rates, of the area municipalities, ranged from a low of 91.1% in St. Catharines to a high of 97.3% in Pelham.

In 2006, across the Region collections including taxes in arrears amounted to 100.0% of the total current levy. Seven of the area municipalities reported current and arrears tax collections over 100% of the current tax levy.

Taxes in Arrears (Schedule 2)

The amount of taxes that are in arrears is an important indicator of the ability and/or willingness of ratepayers to pay their taxes. Schedule 2 indicates the tax arrears position of each area municipality. Also included in this schedule are the levels of non-current arrears for 2006 and their comparative 2005 levels. Non-current arrears represent previous and prior years' arrears plus penalties and interest. In general, the collection of non-current arrears is more difficult than current arrears and therefore represents a more serious tax default. Over time, the likelihood of collecting non-current tax arrears declines to the point where some may become a write-off.

Total non-current arrears amounted to \$20.9 million a decrease of 33.0% when compared to 2005. Overall, non-current arrears as a percentage of total arrears decreased from 51.9% in 2005 to 39.6%.

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Current Tax Levy (Schedule 3)

Schedule 3 summarizes the overall arrears and collection experiences for the years 2002 to 2006. The current tax levy has increased 18.4% or \$105.1 million, since 2002. Over the same time period tax arrears collections have increased 20.5% or \$7.8 million.

Total collections and current collections as a percentage of the current tax levy are at 100.0% and 93.2% respectively in 2006.

Submitted by:



John Bergsma
Commissioner of Corporate Services

Approved by:



Mike Trojan
Chief Administrative Officer

This report was prepared by Debbie Williams, Senior Financial Analyst.

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Schedule 1

2006 Tax Levy and Tax Collection Experience of the Area Municipalities

	Current Tax Levy	Total Tax Arrears ^(a)	Total Arrears as a % of Current Tax Levy	Current Tax Levy Collections	Current Collections as a % of Current Tax Levy	Total Tax Collections	Total Collections as a % of Current Tax Levy	Tax Arrears Collection
Niagara Falls	\$151,253,863	\$14,489,650	9.6%	\$141,795,232	93.7%	\$151,845,701	100.4%	\$10,050,469
Port Colborne	\$27,981,473	\$2,172,550	7.8%	\$26,673,539	95.3%	\$28,392,201	101.5%	\$1,416,978
St. Catharines	\$211,772,821	\$11,609,842	5.5%	\$192,823,538	91.1%	\$209,781,053	99.1%	\$16,957,515
Thorold	\$28,331,944	\$2,269,784	8.0%	\$27,380,182	96.6%	\$27,623,552	97.5%	\$215,831
Welland	\$63,724,871	\$6,530,285	10.2%	\$59,193,733	92.9%	\$67,045,585	105.2%	\$7,851,852
Fort Erie	\$45,444,546	\$3,504,854	7.7%	\$43,030,068	94.7%	\$44,833,463	98.7%	\$1,631,834
Grimsby	\$35,792,302	\$2,476,047	6.9%	\$33,997,956	95.0%	\$36,104,715	100.9%	\$2,106,759
Lincoln	\$31,546,486	\$3,610,817	11.4%	\$29,310,992	92.9%	\$31,504,673	99.9%	\$2,193,681
NOTL	\$34,575,309	\$3,071,300	8.9%	\$31,972,318	92.5%	\$33,328,973	96.4%	\$1,356,655
Pelham	\$23,022,911	\$1,166,312	5.1%	\$22,398,112	97.3%	\$23,211,326	100.8%	\$813,214
Wainfleet	\$9,582,454	\$804,355	8.4%	\$8,986,557	93.8%	\$9,648,356	100.7%	\$661,799
West Lincoln ^(b)	\$14,978,330	\$1,168,699	7.8%	\$14,153,887	94.5%	\$14,999,594	100.1%	\$845,707
Total	\$678,007,310	\$52,874,495	7.8%	\$631,716,114	93.2%	\$678,319,192	100.0%	\$46,102,294

(a) Excludes allowances for uncollectables.

(b) To be finalized.

SCHEDULE 2

NON-CURRENT ARREARS AS A % OF TOTAL TAX ARREARS
 2005 - 2006

Municipalities	Total Non-Current Arrears 2005	Total Non-Current Arrears 2006	% Change From 2005 - 2006	Total Tax Arrears 2005 ^(a)	Total Tax Arrears 2006 ^(a)	Non-Current Arrears as a % of Total Arrears	
						2005	2006
Niagara Falls	\$6,252,718	\$5,299,212	-15.2%	\$14,461,355	\$14,489,650	43.2%	36.6%
Port Colborne	\$1,427,703	\$851,625	-40.3%	\$2,991,937	\$2,172,550	47.7%	39.2%
St. Catharines	\$5,146,933	\$4,683,590	-9.0%	\$11,253,808	\$11,609,842	45.7%	40.3%
Thorold	\$1,128,960	\$1,481,601	31.2%	\$1,472,783	\$2,269,784	76.7%	65.3%
Welland	\$10,136,531	\$2,260,371	-77.7%	\$15,485,302	\$6,530,285	65.5%	34.6%
Fort Erie	\$1,040,716	\$1,473,510	41.6%	\$2,944,858	\$3,504,854	35.3%	42.0%
Grimsby	\$2,597,404	\$915,276	-64.8%	\$2,553,293	\$2,476,047	101.7%	37.0%
Lincoln	\$1,069,136	\$1,260,863	17.9%	\$3,454,544	\$3,610,817	30.9%	34.9%
NOTL	\$1,162,436	\$1,340,116	15.3%	\$2,329,297	\$3,071,300	49.9%	43.6%
Pelham	\$499,759	\$541,513	8.4%	\$1,170,017	\$1,166,312	42.7%	46.4%
Wainfleet	\$204,744	\$208,458	1.8%	\$896,348	\$804,355	22.8%	25.9%
West Lincoln ^(b)	\$569,936	\$602,934	5.8%	\$1,222,777	\$1,168,699	46.6%	51.6%
Total	\$31,236,976	\$20,919,069	-33.0%	\$60,236,319	\$52,874,495	51.9%	39.6%
(a) Excludes allowances for uncollectables. (b) To be finalized.							

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SCHEDULE 3

COMBINED TAX LEVY AND COLLECTION EXPERIENCE
 2002 - 2006
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Year	Current Tax Levy	Total Tax Arrears*	Total Arrears as a % of Current Tax Levy	Current Tax Levy Collections	Current Collections as a % of Current Tax Levy	Total Tax Collections	Total Collections as a % of Current Tax Levy	Tax Arrears Collection
2006	\$678,007	\$52,874	7.8%	\$631,716	93.2%	\$678,319	100.0%	\$46,102
2005	\$656,322	\$60,236	9.2%	\$614,990	93.7%	\$654,689	99.8%	\$39,388
2004	\$632,765	\$61,907	9.8%	\$592,294	93.6%	\$628,521	99.3%	\$35,965
2003	\$603,831	\$61,158	10.1%	\$562,529	93.2%	\$595,901	98.7%	\$32,913
2002	\$572,875	\$54,563	9.5%	\$538,268	94.0%	\$576,542	100.6%	\$38,274

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SCHEDULE 4

2006 Tax Arrears

	Total Tax Arrears ^(a)	Region proportion of taxes	Estimated Proportion of 2006 Tax Arrears				
			Region	Education proportion of taxes	Education	Municipal proportion of taxes	Municipal
Niagara Falls	\$14,489,650	38%	\$5,539,140	29%	\$4,189,374.07	33%	\$4,761,135.91
Port Colborne	\$2,172,550	41%	\$899,270	21%	\$465,130.27	37%	\$808,149.86
St. Catharines	\$11,609,842	48%	\$5,562,002	21%	\$2,488,227.15	31%	\$3,559,613.09
Thorold	\$2,269,784	43%	\$967,904	25%	\$572,720.94	32%	\$729,159.38
Welland	\$6,530,285	41%	\$2,707,309	20%	\$1,330,939.54	38%	\$2,492,036.92
Fort Erie	\$3,504,854	47%	\$1,651,203	24%	\$848,689.15	29%	\$1,004,961.85
Grimsby	\$2,476,047	48%	\$1,178,103	23%	\$574,430.52	29%	\$723,513.13
Lincoln	\$3,610,817	48%	\$1,726,411	26%	\$930,694.17	26%	\$953,711.43
NOTL	\$3,071,300	51%	\$1,578,079	31%	\$952,831.42	38%	\$540,389.58
Pelham	\$1,166,312	49%	\$568,257	20%	\$238,952.79	31%	\$359,102.33
Wainfleet	\$804,355	46%	\$367,411	19%	\$154,304.61	35%	\$282,639.32
West Lincoln	\$1,168,699	47%	\$554,661	23%	\$270,638.99	29%	\$343,398.85
Total	\$52,874,495		\$23,299,750		\$13,016,934		\$16,557,832

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(a) Excludes allowances for uncollectables.

Note: Proportions are approximate. Total Tax Arrears consist of all property classes and each class has a different education tax rate.

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Dear Mr. Bice:

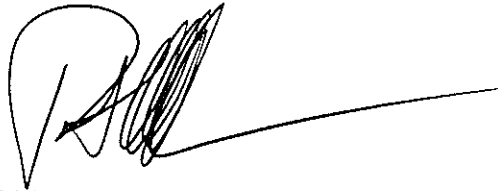
Re: 2008 Gypsy Moth Spray Program

The caterpillar of the European Gypsy feeds on the foliage of deciduous hardwoods, undermining the health of the affected trees. Surveys indicate that the Gypsy moth infestation has spread to a number of areas in Niagara.

On April 24, 2008 Regional Council received the enclosed report (DPD 18-2008) on the 2008 aerial spray program to control the infestation. This program is being offered by Trees Unlimited, a local forestry company, in partnership with the Township of West Lincoln, the Town of Pelham and the Niagara Parks Commission. Regional Planning staff are assisting by preparing digital mapping information used in applying the aerial spray. This is in keeping with Regional policy supporting efforts to conserve and restore natural heritage in Niagara.

If you have any questions regarding this initiative please contact Don Campbell, Planner in this Department.

Yours truly,



Patrick Robson
 (Acting) Commissioner of Planning Services

Enclosure

C: P. Robertson, Trees Unlimited

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 - DIR of PLG + BLDG SERVICES

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Niagara Region

REPORT TO: Co-Chairs and Members of the
Planning and Public Works Committee

SUBJECT: 2008 Gypsy Moth Spray Program

RECOMMENDATION

That this Committee recommend to Regional Council:

1. That the Region assist in the 2008 Gypsy Moth Spray Program by providing digital aerial mapping coordinates for the spray blocks.
2. That this report be circulated for information to the local municipalities, the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, the Niagara Woodlot Association and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

PURPOSE

This report provides information on the Gypsy Moth Spray Program planned for Niagara in 2008 and responds to a request from the Township of West Lincoln for the Region's assistance.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The caterpillar of the European Gypsy Moth feeds voraciously on the foliage of hardwood trees, particularly oaks. Gypsy Moth infestations are harmful to the health and vigour of the affected trees. When infestations are combined with other stresses such as drought, pollutants and fungus the trees are likely to die. Trees Unlimited, a local forestry company, is planning an aerial spray program for 2008 in partnership with the Township of West Lincoln, the Town of Pelham and the Niagara Parks Commission. Regional Planning staff have been asked to assist by preparing digital mapping information to be used in applying the spray. This would be consistent with Regional policy supporting the efforts of landowners to conserve and restore natural heritage in Niagara.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

It is estimated that 4 days of staff time will be required.

REPORT

The European Gypsy Moth was introduced into North America in the nineteenth century. The first major infestation in Ontario did not occur until 1981 however. In the larval or caterpillar stage of its life cycle the Gypsy Moth feeds on the foliage of deciduous and coniferous trees, with each larva consuming up to 1 m² (11 ft²) of leaf material during its life. As leaves play a critical role in producing food for the tree, the resulting defoliation undermines tree health and growth. When heavy infestations occur in two or more consecutive years the effects can be serious, particularly when the trees are experiencing other stresses such as the drought that occurred in Niagara last summer. Trees become more susceptible to other pests and tree mortality increases.

The Canadian Forest Service reported moderately severe defoliation in parts of southern Ontario in 1985. The area affected has continued to expand since then. The Ministry of Natural Resources estimates that the area of severe infestation increased from 12,000 acres in 2006 to 31,000 acres in 2007. It covers an area stretching from central Haldimand through West Lincoln to Pelham and extending into the northern part of Wainfleet and the southwestern part of Lincoln (see Figure 1). There also are significant infestations in central Niagara Falls, northern Port Colborne and along the Niagara Parkway in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

In 2007 Trees Unlimited partnered with the Township of West Lincoln to offer an aerial spray program to the owners of seriously infested woodlots. The Regional Planning Department assisted by providing mapping information used in the spray program. Trees Unlimited is partnering with the Township, the Town of Pelham and the Niagara Parks Commission to offer a similar program again this year. Regional Planning staff have been asked to assist again with mapping information. The 2008 program is being offered over a much larger area, however, and is expected to involve a much larger number of properties. In late March public information meetings were held in West Lincoln (Caistor Centre and Smithville), in Pelham and in Queenston.

The objective of the Spray Program is to reduce the number of Gypsy Moth caterpillars to a level where they will not defoliate the trees and make them susceptible to other stresses. The spray program will involve two aerial applications of a biological insecticide using a helicopter. The active ingredient in the insecticide is *Bacillus thuringiensis v. kurstaki* (Btk), a naturally occurring soil-borne bacteria that only attack the larvae of butterflies and moths. Health Canada has concluded that Btk poses little threat to human health. The United States Environmental Protection Agency categorizes the risks posed by Bt strains to non-target organisms as minimal to nonexistent.

Regional Planning staff assisted in the 2007 spray program by using the Region's air photos to provide the digital coordinates for the woodlots to be sprayed. The Township of West Lincoln has requested that the Region provide this assistance to the 2008 Spray Program. The digital coordinates provided by the Region greatly increase the efficiency of the spray program, reducing the costs to landowners. It is to be expected that this will

mean that more landowners will participate in the Program, providing more extensive protection for forest cover in Niagara.

Conclusion


The current Gypsy Moth infestation in Niagara could have a serious impact on woodlands over large parts of the Region. The new Environmental Policies recently adopted by Regional Council as Amendment 187 to the Policy Plan state that the Region will support and encourage the efforts of landowners to conserve and restore natural heritage. Regional assistance for the Gypsy Moth Spray Program is in accordance with this policy.

Submitted by:

Approved by:



David J. Farley
Director of Planning Services



Mike Trojan
Chief Administrative Officer

This report was prepared by Don Campbell, MCIP, RPP, Planner.

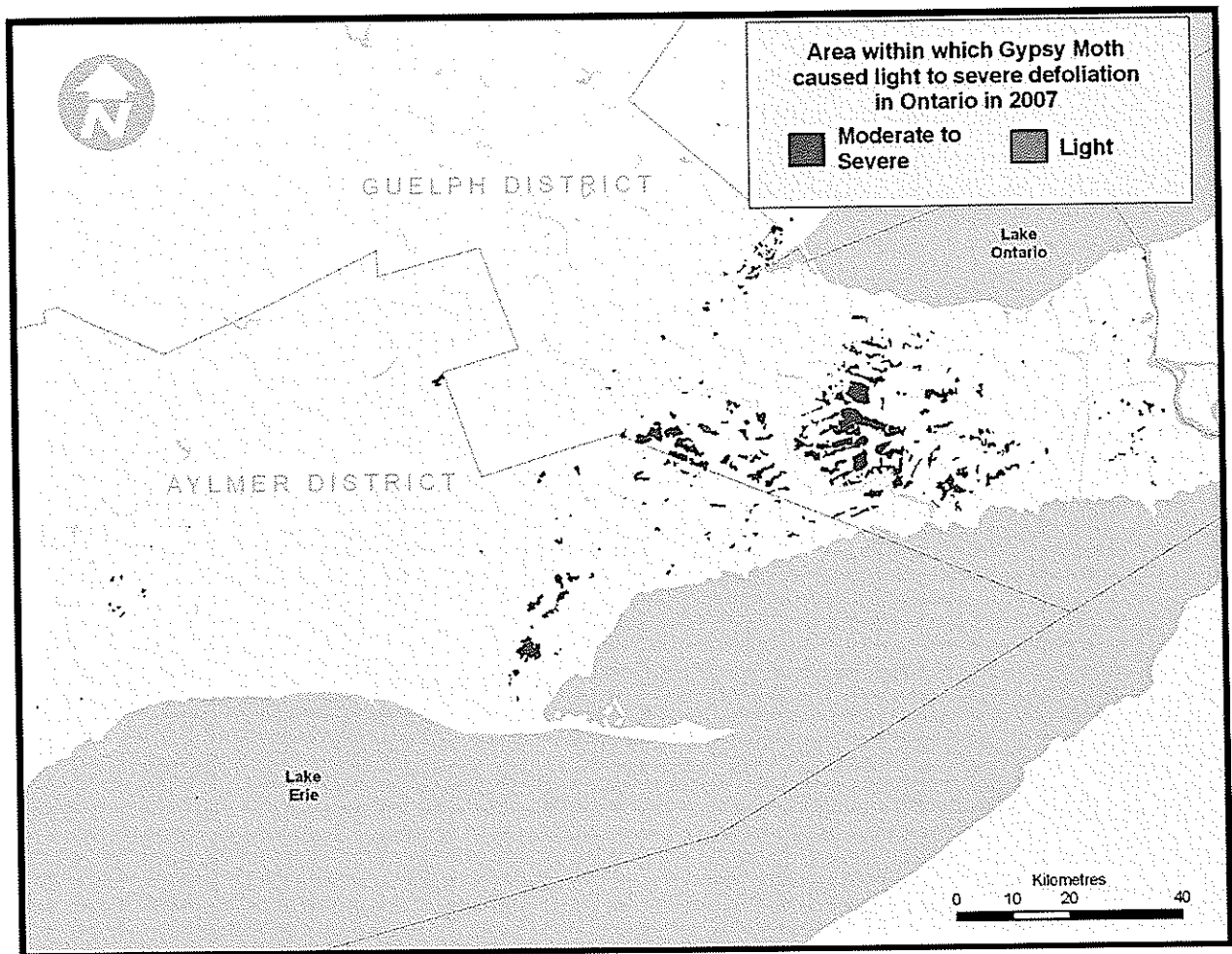
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APPENDIX

Appendix I Map showing areas of Gypsy Moth defoliation in 2007

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Figure 1: Areas in Ontario with Light to Severe Gypsy Moth Defoliation.
Source: Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.



CORRESPONDENCE "F"

Councillor S. Wilson

May 20, 2008

3(F) ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

1. **City of Thorold**
(pages F1 to F10)

Re: Office of the City Clerk
 - Reply letter to Barrett SmithDirector of Operations:
 - Memo re: Use of Arena by Denis Morris Hockey Team
 - Reply letter to Roland Barnes
 - Reply letter to Dave Price
 - Reply letter to the Village Church
 - Reply letter to Jane Knox
 - Notice of Public Information Centre - Class Environmental Assessment for the St. Catharines and Thorold Pollution Control Plan Update

2. **Town of Pelham**
(page F11)

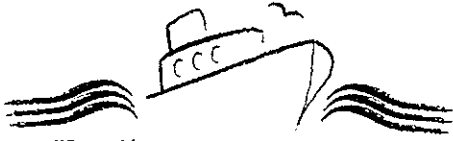
Re: Resolution re Funding Assistance for Compliance with the AODA

3. **Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services**
(pages F12 to F13)

Re: Response letter re Handgun Control

4. **Office of the Minister of Canadian heritage, Status for Women and Official Languages**
(page F14)

Re: Response letter re resolution on tax incentives for heritage places



Where Ships Climb The Mountain...

May 7, 2008

Mr. Barrett Smith
32 Chapel Street South
Thorold, Ontario L2V 2C6

Dear Mr. Smith:

RE: St. Lawrence Seaway Corporation - Lock 7 Security Improvements

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Further to your recent letter please find enclosed a copy of report DOR2007-94 prepared by the Director of Operations, Tom Doherty. This report contains a copy of the contract with Peninsula Construction to provide the above noted improvements, including the installation of a guard rail south of Lock 7. You will note this document was signed on October 29, 2007.

With respect to the plan, it is our understanding that Sandwell's Drawing No. 182785-A1 was used.

Regarding the location chosen, I believe that this particular issue was addressed by the Chief Administrative Officer, Mike Weir, in his letter to you of January 23, 2008 (copy attached).

Yours truly

John K. Bice, AMCT
City Clerk

cc: M. Weir, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Doherty, Director of Operations
S. Daniels, Deputy City Clerk
Council Agenda - 3F

32 Chapel Street South
Thorold, Ontario, L2V 2C6
(905) 680-4072

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tTo City Clerk City of Thorold

I would like to have a copy of the contract signed for the installation of guardrail installed south of lock 7 east of Circle route trail. What date was contract signed? Was Sandwells plan 182785 A1 or another plan used? Was this location agreed to by all concerned parties and passed by council?

By concerned parties I mean Tourist office, B.I.A. Tourist Committee and were all in agreement with the parking space being squeezed to an impossible 16' from 25' as in Sandwells original plans.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely
Barrett Smith

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Memorandum
City of Thorold
Operations Department

To: Mayor and Members of Council (3 'F' Item)
From: Tom Doherty, Director of Operations
Subject: Denis Morris High School
Ice Rental (Hockey)
Date: May 14, 2008

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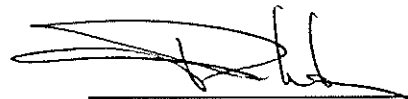
May 2008

Further to Council's recommendation on May 6, 2008 regarding a request from Denis Morris High School to utilize non-prime time ice at a reduced rate, please be advised that staff and the Mayor met with Mr. Chris Zanuto on Friday, May 9, 2008 in an attempt to facilitate an arrangement.

Unfortunately, the times requested by Mr. Zanuto were occupied but the current user was agreeable to change.

Denis Morris has withdrawn their request.

Regards,



Tom Doherty, C.E.T.,
Director of Operations

TD:am



Where Ships Climb The Mountain...

May 14, 2008

Mr. Roland Barnes
427 Davis Street
Thorold, ON L2V 1G3

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Dear Mr. Barnes:

Re: Motorized off-road vehicles

Further to our discussion please be advised that by copy of this letter we are requesting that the Thorold Community Policing Committee provide some assistance or suggestions in dealing with motorized off-road vehicles disturbing the quality of life for residents in the area of Hydro lands in Thorold South.

Also, by copy of this letter we are requesting that the owner of the lands be more diligent in prohibiting this type of use.

Should you have any further questions please contact me.

Yours very truly,

Tom Doherty, C.E.T.,
Director of Operations

TD:am

c.c. Mayor & Council "3F Item"
D. Norton, OPG
Thorold Community Policing Committee

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May 15, 2008

Mr. Dave Price
1508 Beaverdams Road
Thorold, ON L2V 4A3

Dear Sir:

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In response to your letter received on April 29, 2008 please accept the following:

- 1) Tapping of Trees
Council at its meeting of February 5, 2008 approved the staff report DOR2008-07 which recommended adoption of a Tree Management Policy, however Council amended the recommendation to put a moratorium on the tapping of trees. The policy only prohibits tapping without authorization.
- 2) Banning of Garage Sale Signs
In discussion with the Chief Building Official he advises that Garage Sale Signs are only removed if they remain in place beyond a reasonable time following the event.
- 3) Stop Signs at Beaverdams Road and Ormond Street
Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. In reviewing this issue there should be an additional stop sign on Ormond Street (north bound) and we will prepare a report recommending that the by-law be amended to reflect this.
- 4) Line Painting - Pine Street at Richmond Street
The existing line painting was completed in accordance with approved standards by the Region (this road used to be Regional jurisdiction). We will review this matter with the Region prior to redoing this area again.

Should you have any questions please contact me.

Yours very truly,

Tom Doherty, C.E.T.,
Director of Operations

TD:am

c.c. Mayor and Members of Council (3'F' Item)
P. Lambert, Assistant Director of Operations
J. Abrahamse, Operations Manager

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May 15, 2008

The Village Church
133 Front Street North
Thorold, ON L2V 0A3

Attention: Pastor Mike Collins

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Dear Pastor Collins:

We would like to thank you for your commitment to the community and let you know that we will provide assistance where possible.

The City has an existing program "Adopt A Road", a copy of the program requirements is attached.

With respect to other initiatives that you are suggesting, it is best dealt with by providing staff with specific programs you would like to offer and we will report to Council.

Should you have any specific questions please contact Mr. Mike Sauchuk at 905-227-1911.

Yours very truly,

Tom Doherty, C.E.T.,
Director of Operations

TD:am
Attach.

c.c. Mayor and Members of Council (3F Item)
M. Sauchuk, Operations Manager

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To: Thorold City Council

CITY OF THOROLD
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

From: Pastor Mike Collins and "The Village Church" Congregation

Subject: **Serve Project in Thorold this summer (08)**

Good morning,

We are a new church that has started in Thorold as of Jan 1 2008.

We would like to co-ordinate a series of Serve project's in our community in Thorold sometime this summer.

A Serve Project consists of a number of volunteer groups or individuals who take responsibility for completing a community-assistance project. Picking up garbage on the streets, removing graffiti, assisting with the delivery of food and /or meals etc are some examples of serve projects. If council has any additional projects in mind, we would be very interested in hearing about it.

We plan to partner with church groups, committees, citizens of Thorold and individuals that we have met thus far. We plan to advertise in the paper and invite different agencies that we have had contact with.

We expect the majority of our volunteers will come from the City of Thorold.

These projects are being tentatively scheduled for July/August and will likely last one day.

We will find the manpower. However we would like to know if Council would consider providing the cleaning supplies needed for these projects. (garbage bags, gloves etc)

Your comments and input are welcome. You can reach me at the number listed below, either by phone or mail.

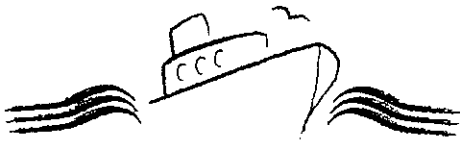
Thank you for considering this matter.

Regards,

Pastor Mike Collins
"The Village Church"
133 Front Street North
Thorold Ontario
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Ms. Jane Knox
4 Cartier Drive
Thorold, ON L2V 4J1

Dear Ms. Knox:

Re: Parking Concerns
Cartier Drive

The City of Thorold has recently adopted a policy to deal with parking issues. A copy of the policy is attached for your information.

As a result of your letter we will initiate the policy by reviewing the matter from a technical perspective and establishing a recommendation which will be circulated to the neighbours for their comments on the appropriate form. This process will be initiated over the next month.

Should you have any further questions please contact me.

Yours very truly,

Tom Doherty, C.E.T.,
Director of Operations

TD:am
Attach.

c.c. Mayor & Council "3F Item"
P. Lambert, Assistant Director of Operations

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Heather hulls - regarding a no parking sign on Cartier dr

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THOROLD PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

From: "Jane Knox"
To: <mayor@thorold.com>
Date: 5/2/2008 10:46 AM
Subject: regarding a no parking sign on Cartier dr

Mayor and City Council,

In regards to a no parking sign being installed on south side, of cartier as the street is not wide enough for parking on both sides due to brock residents overflow of cars parking in this area. The problem intensives in the winter months due to the amount of snow we can get at times, there for many local residents and neighbours can not get out or in there driveways safely or can the street get cleaned properly, cause of cars parking on both sides at times therefore the plough has to go around leaving very large amounts of snow to deal with. We would welcome this change prior to the brock return. I thank you for taking the time to consider this issue

JaneKnox
 4 cartier dr
 Thorold Ont

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CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE ST. CATHARINES AND THOROLD POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN UPDATE

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

The City of St. Catharines, the City of Thorold and the Regional Municipality of Niagara are in the process of undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Master Plan to update the existing St. Catharines Area Pollution Control Plan (PCP). The purpose of this Class EA Master Plan is to develop a roadmap for infrastructure projects that will address capacity constraints, receiving water pollution control and assist the municipalities with their goal of meeting the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) guidelines for Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) management.

This study is being conducted in accordance with the requirements for Master Plan projects as described in the Municipal Engineers Association's *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)* document (Oct. 2000, amended 2007). As such, it requires that the following two phases are undertaken:

- Phase I: Establish the problem or opportunity. For example, identify opportunities for decreasing CSOs.
- Phase II: Identify and assess alternative solutions to the problem or opportunity, and select a preferred alternative.

Through this process, opportunities and requirements for infrastructure updates and opportunities to reduce CSOs have been established by an analysis of the wastewater system and receiving stream environments. Alternative solutions for these works have been identified and assessed, and preferred alternatives have been selected.

A Public Information Centre is planned for June 5, 2008 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Thorold City Hall (3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold). The purpose of this Open House is to provide the community with an outline of the study process including the study purpose, description of existing conditions, overview of the evaluation process and a summary of the recommended preferred alternatives. A display of information on the project will be available for visitors. City and Regional staff along with the consultant team will be on hand to answer questions and to discuss the project. Consultation with the public and government review agencies is a vital component of the study.

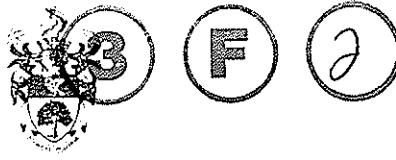
If you are unable to attend the Public Information Centre and wish to comment on this project or receive information, please contact:

Mark Green
 Manager of Environmental Services
 City of St. Catharines
 383 Lake Street,
 St. Catharines, ON, L2N 4H5
 Email: mgreen@stcatharines.ca
 Phone: 905-688-5601 Ext. 2193

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April 30, 2008

MRS. JANET BECKETT, CITY CLERK
 CITY OF PORT COLBORNE
 66 CHARLOTTE STREET
 PORT COLBORNE ON L3K 3C8

Dear Mrs. Beckett:

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This is to advise that Council of the Town of Pelham, at its regular meeting held on Monday, April 7, 2008, resolved to enact the following resolution:

"THAT Council of the Town of Pelham endorse and support the resolution enacted by the City of Port Colborne at their meeting of March 25, 2008, calling on the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to petition for and work with the Province of Ontario on development and provision of a proper and fair provincial funding mechanism to assist municipalities with compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 through provisions of O.Reg. 429/07 so that the financial burden imposed by the Regulation is fairly shared by all the residents of Ontario;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the local MP's and MPP's, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and area municipalities."

Yours very truly,

Cheryl Miciette, AMCT
 Town Clerk

Cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
 Local MP's
 Local MPP's
 ✓ Area Municipalities

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Ms. Susan Daniels
Deputy City Clerk
City of Thorold
3540 Schmon Parkway
PO Box 1044
Thorold ON L2V 4A7

Dear Ms. Daniels:

Thank you for your correspondence, forwarded by Premier Dalton McGuinty, advising of council's resolution in support of the Township of Galway-Cavendish and Harvey's resolution regarding handgun control. I am pleased to respond.

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Please be assured that this government is deeply concerned about senseless gun violence, which cuts down lives. The McGuinty government is committed to doing its part to stop gun crimes and make our communities safer. We have invested more in the fight against guns and gangs than any other previous government in Ontario. This includes:

- \$68 million towards anti-guns and gangs initiatives to give police and prosecutors the tools and resources they need
- \$30 million for community-led programs to target at-risk youth in the Greater Toronto Area
- \$3 million for the Down With Guns community program.

Included in the \$68-million investment is a \$12-million package of initiatives announced on June 6, 2007, to target guns and gangs, organized crime, illegal drugs and other criminal activities across the province. This includes \$6.3 million in funding to expand the successful Toronto Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy (TAVIS) to an additional 15 communities throughout Ontario.

We are also continuing to fund the Community Policing Partnerships and the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officers Partnership programs in perpetuity. This means that we are providing \$68 million in funding for over 2,000 officers each year. These programs allow for additional resources to support community policing and address targeted priority areas, such as guns and gangs, youth crime and organized crime.

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As you may know, the federal government has sole jurisdiction over criminal law, including the regulation of firearms. We are urging the federal government to keep the federal gun registry, because we believe it makes our streets safer. The McGuinty government has also called on the federal government to amend the *Criminal Code* of Canada to impose reverse onus bail for all gun crimes, set more severe penalties for breach of bail conditions and implement a handgun ban. In addition, we are committed to working with the governments of Canada and the United States and relevant law enforcement agencies to address concerns surrounding border security and gun smuggling.

Fighting gun violence requires a tough approach to crime using strong enforcement, effective prevention and initiatives that address the causes of crime. Please be assured that we will continue in our efforts to keep Ontario communities safe.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Bartolucci". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

Rick Bartolucci, MPP, Sudbury
Minister

c: The Honourable Dalton McGuinty
Premier



Office of the Minister of Canadian Heritage,
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Susan Daniels, A.M.C.T.
Deputy City Clerk
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Dear Ms. Daniels:

I am writing in response to your correspondence of March 19, 2008, co-addressed to the Honourable Josée Verner, Minister of Canadian Heritage, Status of Women and Official Languages, and the Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance, regarding the establishment of federal tax incentives for the rehabilitation of heritage places.

Ms. Verner appreciates your advising her of the City of Thorold's interest in this matter. However, since the issue that you raise would be better addressed by the Honourable John Baird, Minister of the Environment, in view of his responsibility for the Parks Canada Agency and the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your correspondence to him for consideration.

Please accept my best wishes.

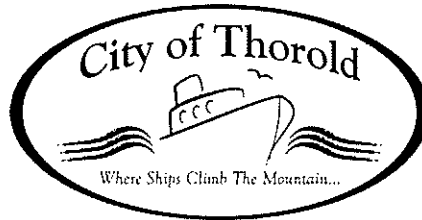
Yours sincerely,

Emilie S. Potvin
Chief of Staff

c.c.: The Honourable John Baird, P.C., M.P.
The Honourable Jim Flaherty, P.C., M.P.



REPORTS



GENERAL COMMITTEE

**GC08/08
May 6, 2008**

- PRESENT:** Mayor H. D'Angela and all members of Council
- STAFF:** M. Weir, J.K. Bice, M. Mauro, T. Doherty, A. Arbour, L. Coplen, J. Menard, P. Lambert, M. Sauchuk and S. Daniels
- OTHERS:** Nil
- MEDIA:** Niagara News, COGECO T.V., St. Catharines Standard, Niagara This Week

Mayor H. D'Angela presided and called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

DELEGATIONS

Nil

ADMINISTRATION SECTION

Item #08-148 Chief Administrative Officer Report CAO2008-08 dated May 1, 2008 regarding Tourism Contract Renewal

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the contract with Destination Marketing Services for the delivery of tourism initiatives and programs be extended until December 31, 2008.
2. That the contract be amended to require three (3) months written notice prior to any party exiting the agreement, or in the absence of notice, cash in lieu.
3. That the Tourism contract be reviewed against procurement best practices and the City's Procurement Policy to determine whether this contract should be subject to a Request for Proposals process to ensure fair and open access to City business.
4. That a by-law be approved authorizing the execution of the contract agreement.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Note: *It was generally agreed that Items #08-168 and #08-169 be brought forward from the In-Camera Section of the General Committee meeting agenda to be discussed in open session.*

OPERATIONS SECTION

Item #08-168 Director of Operations Verbal Report regarding CSO Tank Status Report

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the Director of Operations verbal report regarding CSO Tank Status Report be received for information.

Item #08-149 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-43 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Contract No. 2008-210 - Curb Replacement and Sidewalk Construction - Various Streets

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the tender for Contract No. 2008-210 Curb Replacement and Sidewalk Construction be awarded to Sacco Construction Limited for the estimated amount of \$165,417.50 (G.S.T. excluded) as determined by the unit prices and quantities involved.
2. That a by-law be prepared and approved authorizing the execution of a contract agreement.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-150 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-44 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Highway 406 Improvements - Ministry of Transportation

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Operations Report DOR2008-44 be received for information purposes.

Item #08-151 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-45 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Contract No. 2008-102 - Surface Treatment - Various Streets

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the tender for Contract No. 2008-102 Surface Treatment be awarded to Norjohn Contract and Paving Limited based on their alternate bid for Recycled Asphalt Project in the amount of \$866,364.58 excluding G.S.T.
2. That the total value be reduced to an upset limit of \$657,182.78 excluding G.S.T.
3. That a by-law be approved authorizing execution of the contract agreement.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-152 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-46 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Sidewalk Inspection and Maintenance - Standard Operating Procedures

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Operations Report DOR2008-46 be received for information purposes and further that the policy and procedure manual be updated accordingly.

Item #08-153 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-47 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Richmond Street Road Work and Storm Sewer

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Operations Report DOR2008-47 be received for information purposes.

Item #08-154 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-48 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 17 - Decoration Day Parade - Sunday, June 1, 2008

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends that permission and support be granted to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 17, to conduct a parade on various streets on Sunday, June 1, 2008 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the organization obtain and supply the Director of Operations written approval from the Regional Police, Ambulance and Fire Department.
2. That provision for the safety of the participants be assumed by the organization.
3. That traffic control be the responsibility of the Royal Canadian Legion in conjunction with the Regional Police.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-155 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-49 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Outdoor Recreational Pool

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Operations Report DOR2008-49 be received for information purposes.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-156 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-50 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Equipment Purchases - Public Works Unit #73 - Parks Department Unit #8

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That staff be authorized to purchase a F-150 Pick-up Truck to replace Unit #73 as identified in the General Equipment Replacement schedule from Ed Learn Ford at a cost of \$17,101. (excluding G.S.T.).

2. That a budget overrun be approved to authorize the purchase of an F-150 Pick-up Truck to replace Unit #8 to be funded through the General Equipment Reserve from Ed Learn Ford at a cost of \$17,101. (excluding G.S.T.).

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-157 Director of Operations Report DOR2008-51 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Irrigation System - Front Street North

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the quotation from Raintree Irrigation to install an irrigation system along Front Street North at a cost of \$24,097. (excluding G.S.T.) be accepted.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

FINANCE SECTION

Item #08-158 Director of Finance Report DF2008-24 dated April 29, 2008 regarding 2008 Final Tax Levy Due Dates

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the final installment dates for the residential, farm, farmland, managed forests and pipeline classes be established as June 30, 2008 and August 29, 2008.
2. That the normal final first installment date for the Commercial, Industrial, and Multi-Residential classes of June 30, 2008 be delayed pending finalization of Bill 140 calculations from OPTA.
3. That the appropriate by-law be prepared.
4. That an advertisement be placed in the Niagara News and on the City's web site advising of the tax installment due dates.
5. That an information tax bill insert be prepared and distributed.

PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES SECTION

Item #08-159 Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-42 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Community Event Signage

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-42 regarding Community Event Signage be received for information and referred back to the Chief Building Official to develop community event criteria in consultation with local organizations.
2. That on a one-time basis the Thorold Community Activities Group (TCAG) be permitted to erect craft show signage for 2008 within the City of Thorold, subject to applicable approvals.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-160 Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-44 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Proposed Expansion to the Downtown Thorold Community Improvement Area - Downtown Thorold Facade Improvement Grant Program, City of Thorold

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-44 be received for information purposes and that a further report be presented to General Committee at the May 20, 2008 Council meeting.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-161 Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-45 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Demolition of Residential Dwelling

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-45 be received for information purposes.

Item #08-162 Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-46 dated April 30, 2008 regarding By-law Enforcement - Equipment Purchase

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the purchase of a digital camera be approved and that the purchase be funded as a budget overrun with the funds reallocated from General Ledger Account G222-0111-2930 being the Enforcement Expenses Account for the By-law Enforcement Division.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-163 Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-47 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Outdoor Commercial Patios

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the presentation of the proposed regulatory framework as outlined in Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-47 which combines zoning provisions, design guidelines and a formal agreement, to govern the establishment of Sidewalk Patios on public property within the City of Thorold be circulated for comments to the Thorold BIA, Tourism Committee, Heritage Thorold L.A.C.A.C., the CIP Facade Committee, internal municipal departments and all property owners and tenants along Front Street.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-169 Director of Planning and Building Services Verbal Report regarding Highway 20 Mini Storage

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Director of Planning and Building Services verbal report regarding Highway 20 Mini Storage be received for information.

Item #08-163a Director of Planning and Building Services Report PBS2008-48 dated May 6, 2008 regarding Emergency Board-Up of 100 Wellington Street North

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That a general budget overrun of \$2,200.00 (excluding GST) be approved for the emergency board-up of the vacant building at 100 Wellington Street North.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

CLERK'S SECTION

Item #08-164 City Clerk Report CC2008-19 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Italia in Festa Committee - LCBO Special Occasion Permit Application - Designation of 4th Annual Italia in Festa, June 20 and 21, 2008, as a Community Festival

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That, for the purpose of obtaining a Special Occasion Permit from the LCBO, the City of Thorold designate the Italia in Festa Committee's 4th Annual Italia in Festa event, June 20 and 21, 2008, as a Community Festival subject to the following:
 - That approvals be obtained from all applicable authorities as required by the LCBO.
 - That an appropriately designated site for the sale of alcoholic beverages be approved by all applicable authorities.
 - That the organizers have regard to the City's Municipal Alcohol Management Policy No. 200-11.
2. That the Sign By-law requirements be set aside to permit the Italia in Festa Committee to erect signage advertising the event for 2008 within the City of Thorold, subject to applicable approvals.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-165 City Clerk Report CC2008-20 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference and Committee Appointments

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That the Terms of Reference of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee within Clerk's Department Report CC2008-20 replace the Terms of Reference adopted in 2003.
2. That the following volunteers be appointed to the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2010 or until their successors are appointed:

LeeAnn Cayer	Sharon Cook	Connie Groves
Joyce Harrison	Joey Hewitt	Ron Hewitt
Elinor Hodgson	Karen Lemieux	Roy McCready
Rita Pillitteri	Patricia Smolak	

3. That the appropriate by-laws be presented to Council for approval.

(This item of business subject to approval at a Special Council meeting to be held May 6, 2008).

Item #08-166 City Clerk Report CC2008-21 dated April 30, 2008 regarding Review of Advisory Committees

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The General Committee recommends the following:

1. That Clerk's Department Report CC2008-21 be received for information.
2. That the Advisory Committees of Council be renamed to be known as the Public Forum Committees of Council.

FIRE SECTION

Nil

"IN-CAMERA" SECTION

Item #08-167 To adopt the minutes of the In-Camera meeting held on April 15, 2008.

It was generally agreed that this item be deferred to the in-camera portion of the next available General Committee meeting.

Item #08-168 Director of Operations Verbal Report regarding CSO Tank Status Report

Item #08-169 Director of Planning and Building Services Verbal Report regarding Highway 20 Mini Storage

It was generally agreed that Items #08-168 and #08-169 be discussed in open session of the General Committee meeting.

Adjournment: 10:12 p.m.

H. D'Angela, Mayor

S. Daniels, Deputy City Clerk



PM2008-02
Council Chambers, City Hall
March 18, 2008
Commencement: 8:00 p.m.
Adjournment: 8:17 p.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW 2140(97) TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING ON PRIVATE SERVICES AND TO REMOVE THE EXISTING HOLDING "H" PROVISION ON THE PROPERTY PART LOT 4, REGISTERED PLAN M9, PART 6 PLAN 59R-4330, THOROLD ONTARIO JOSEPH THORNLEY ON BEHALF OF MARY THORNLEY
ZBA 01/2008**

PRESENT:

Mayor Henry D'Angela and all members of Council were present.

STAFF:

M. Weir, J. K. Bice, M. Mauro, L. Coplen, J. Menard, T. Doherty, S. Daniels, P. Lambert & E. Darbyson.

PUBLIC:

Approx. 8 persons in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Opening remarks and purpose of meeting and intent of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

The Mayor advised that this Public Meeting is being held pursuant to the provisions of Section 34(12) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P 13, as amended.

The lands which are the subject of the proposed amendment are described as Part Lot 4, Plan M9, Part 6, Registered Plan 59R-4330. The subject lands are located south of Bridge Street, west of Carl Street, east of Hill Street and northwest of the Welland Canal. The lands consist of approximately 0.82 hectares of vacant land and fall within the City of Thorold's Urban Area Boundary.

The Mayor explained that the purpose of the proposed By-law Amendment is to lift the existing Holding "H" provision on the property in order to permit the development of a single detached dwelling on private services.

2) Presentation of the Proposed Amendments

Re: Joseph Thornley, Agent

Mr. Thornley spoke about the history of his family and briefly outlined the significance of the subject lands as it related to his family's history. He explained that the subject lands were intended to be used for the establishment of a single detached dwelling on a retirement lot. Mr. Thornley explained that they would do whatever it takes to have this amendment approved including signing any agreements that would require them to hook up to municipal services when they become available. He asked if the fees applicable to this process could be reduced to the old amount (prior to the new fee by-law being introduced in 2007).

Councilor Handley asked Mr. Darbyson to respond. Mr. Darbyson indicated that all current fees and policy are applicable to this application as the application was submitted after the current fees and policy were in effect.

3) Presentation of Technical Report

Re: Director of Planning and Building Services, Adele Arbour to highlight Technical Report and department/agency comments.

Mr. Darbyson described the purpose of the public meeting and that no decisions were being made this evening. He also indicated that anyone wishing a copy of the recommendation report can sign the yellow public meeting sheet located by the Council Chamber doors.

Mr. Darbyson described the applicable policy and the review process to the public and Council and highlighted all the comments received at the time of finalizing the technical report. Mr. Darbyson indicated that the NPCA and St. Lawrence Seaway Authority has submitted comments after the technical report was finalized and highlighted both agencies concerns.

4) Public Participation

Re: Public Input.

Mr. Doug Carey 39 Carl Street, Port Robinson, LOS 1K0 indicated that he had attempted to accomplish what Mr. Thornley is trying to accomplish over 21 years ago to no avail. He indicated that if the Thornley's were permitted to build a home on the subject lands that there was concern with regards to losing trees on the lands and where the driveway access would be. Mr. Carey was very concerned that a driveway access on Carl Street would interfere with the Seaway Recreational Trail and hoped that something could be done to control this.

The Mayor indicated that this would be addressed in the recommendation report.

No other public spoke in favour or against the proposal.

5) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Closing remarks and closing of meeting.

The Mayor advised that this fulfils the requirements of the Planning Act. R.S.O. 1990 c.P. 13., pursuant to Section 34(12). Subsequently a staff recommendation report will be considered by the General Committee with the recommendations of the Committee to be approved by Council.

Anyone wishing to receive a copy of the decision of the General Committee resulting from this application is asked to submit their request in writing to the City Clerk.

As such the Public Meeting portion of this application is now closed.

Prepared by:

Submitted by:

Eldon Darbyson, Planner

Adele Arbour, Director of Planning and Building Services



PM2008-04
Council Chambers, City Hall
May 6, 2008
Commencement: 7:43 p.m.
Adjournment: 7:48 p.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

WATER AND SEWER BUDGETS 2008

PRESENT:

Mayor H. D'Angela and all members of Council

STAFF:

M. Weir, J.K Bice, M. Mauro, T. Doherty, A. Arbour, L. Coplen, J. Menard, M. Sauchuk,
P. Lambert and S. Daniels

PUBLIC:

No members of the public present for Water & Sewer Public Meeting

AGENDA ITEMS:

1) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Opening remarks and purpose of meeting

The Mayor advised that this Public Meeting was being held to obtain the public's input on the proposed water and sewer budgets, and billing model options.

Further he advised that General Committee will be considering amendments to the water and sewer fees and charges, and billing model per report DF2008-21 to be discussed at the next Council meeting and that copies of the report had been available for public inspection since April 15, 2008.

2) Staff Overview

Staff provided an overview of the proposals and options contained within the 2008 Water & Sewer Budgets as follows:

The proposed budgets for 2008, will result in a proposed increase to the water sewer rates of 9.8%, to accommodate Regional treatment cost increases, and necessary funding to water and sewer main replacement and maintenance.

In addition, a number of billing rate structures or models are explored. The current billing rate model charges a minimum of 27 cubic metres, plus a volumetric charge for usage above 27 cubic meters. Water Department staff have been receiving comments over the past few years, from ratepayers expressing concern that while they are utilizing less than 27 cubic meters, the minimum bill in fact is charging them for the full 27 cubic meters.

In addition, the current billing system does not promote or reward water conservation, and the resultant reduction in sewage, which are goals in any environmental stewardship greening strategy.

Accordingly, the report explores billing options, which would eliminate the 27 cubic meters minimum, and would move to a fixed cost structure, with any usage charged a volumetric consumption cost per cubic meter.

As with any changes to billing models, there will be winners and losers under the various scenarios. Regardless of the billing model selected however, the size of the overall budgets do not change, and all the models must recover the same amounts. Therefore, while the models will charge different amounts to different users, the overall charges are the same under any model.

Four options are explored in the report:

- 1. Status quo*
- 2. Fixed/Volumetric Structure with Fixed Costs allocated based on Accounts*
- 3. Fixed/Volumetric Structure with Fixed Cost allocated & charged based on Equivalent Meters*
- 4. Fixed/Volumetric Structure with Fixed Cost allocated based on Equivalent Meters and charged based on Accounts.*

The report details the advantages and disadvantages of each of the billing models, as well as provides anticipated impacts to the users at different consumption levels.

The report has been available on the City's web site, at City Hall and at the Library for public review, and an advertisement was placed in the Niagara News requesting public input at tonight's meeting.

The final report and staff recommendations will be presented at the Council meeting of May 20th.

3) Public Participation

Re: Public Input

No members of the public provided any verbal and/or written comments either for or against the report.

4) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Closing remarks and closing of meeting.

The Mayor advised that this fulfills the intent of Council to gain public input into the proposed water and sewer budgets and billing models. Staff report DF2008-21 will be considered by the General Committee at the Council meeting of May 20, 2008.

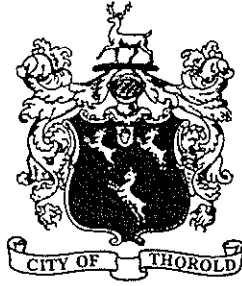
As such the Public Meeting is now closed.

Prepared & Submitted By:

Approved By:

Maria J. Mauro
Director of Finance

Henry D'Angela
Mayor



PM2008-05
Council Chambers, City Hall
May 6, 2008
Commencement: 8:07 p.m.
Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CITY OF THOROLD OFFICIAL PLAN AND
COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW 2140(97) TO REDESIGNATE AND REZONE LANDS
TO PERMIT A SENIORS RESIDENCE USE INCLUDING RETIREMENT HOMES, LONG
TERM CARE FACILITIES AND ACCESSORY TOWNHOUSES DESIGNED FOR SENIORS
AMICO RESIDENCES INC. ON BEHALF OF GREY GABLES SCHOOL,
BDO DUNWOODY LIMITED
FILED: OPA #65 and ZBA 13/2007**

PRESENT:

Mayor Henry D'Angela and all members of Council were present, except for Councillor Rogers

STAFF:

M. Weir, J. K. Bice, M. Mauro, L. Coplen, J. Menard, T. Doherty, S. Daniels, P. Lambert, M. Sawchuk and A. Arbour.

PUBLIC:

Approx. 5 persons in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Opening remarks and purpose of meeting and intent of the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment.

The Mayor advised that this Public Meeting is being held pursuant to the provisions of Section 22(4) and 34(12) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P 13, as amended.

The Mayor explained that the application for an Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, made by Amico Residences Inc. on behalf of Grey Gables School, BDO Dunwoody Limited, has been made in order to redesignate and rezone the lands to permit a seniors residence use including, retirement homes, long term care facilities and accessory townhouses designed for seniors. The applicant is proposing to construct two 120 unit seniors residences on approximately 3.6 hectares of land.

The lands subject to the amendments are described as Part of Lots 37, 38 and 39 and Part of the Road Allowance between Lots 38 and 39, Part 1, Registered Plan 59R-11913 in the City of Thorold. The lands are generally located south of the Brock Business Park, on the north side of Decew Road, west of Highway 406 and east of Merrittville Highway.

2) Presentation of the Proposed Amendments

Re: Cindy Prince, Amico Residences Inc., Agent
Tom Richardson, Sullivan Mahoney, Solicitor

Ms. Prince outlined the application and described the types of housing and procedure for development on the site. The intent of the development is to provide house-keeping, food and laundry services for senior residents who do not require any sort of direct medical supervision. A retirement residence which has a common dining area and no kitchens in the individual units. The seniors are provided with transportation to all appointments, for shopping and any other events therefore eliminating the need for vehicles resulting in reduced parking space requirements. Ms. Prince characterized the proposed development as a retirement home for independent living and compared the tenancy as "resort style living". She further explained that the intent of the amendment applications was to redesignate and rezone the southern portion of the property, which currently permits the Grey Gables School and accessory student residence. The northern portion is proposed to remain Prestige Industrial. Ms. Prince also noted that within the proposed amendments, consideration is being given to maintaining the required setbacks to the watercourse and wetland areas on the site.

Mr. Richardson reiterated Ms. Prince's comments, further noting that the "Institutional" use as defined in Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2140(97) includes the use of land, buildings or structures for religious, charitable, educational, health or welfare purposes and include a public or private hospital.

3) Presentation of Technical Report

Re: Director of Planning and Building Services, Adele Arbour to highlight Technical Report and department/agency comments.

Ms. Arbour further described the applicable policy and the Planning review process to the public and Council and highlighted all the comments received at the time of finalizing the technical report.

4) Public Participation

Re: Public Input.

Ms. Beate Wolf indicated that she was concerned with the safety for the senior residents if the proposal were to be approved. She noted the lack of sidewalks or walking trails along Merrittville highway, and had concerns with the wetland areas located on the subject property being a hazard for persons walking around the property.

Ms. Elizabeth Dumoulin, Administrator at Cobblestone Gardens (a seniors residence in the City of Thorold downtown) indicated that the Amico facility would provide Thorold with a good base to keep its senior residents, noting that many aging Thorold residents are forced to leave the City in search of seniors' housing. Further, she noted that the development would compliment the existing Cobblestone Gardens, which provides residents with assisted living.

No other public spoke in favour or against the proposal.

5) Mayor Henry D'Angela

Re: Closing remarks and closing of meeting.

The Mayor advised that this fulfils the requirements of the Planning Act. R.S.O. 1990 c.P. 13., pursuant to Section 22(4) and 34(12). Subsequently a staff recommendation report will be considered by the General Committee with the recommendations of the Committee to be approved by Council.

Anyone wishing to receive a copy of the decision of the General Committee resulting from this application is asked to submit their request in writing to the City Clerk.

As such the Public Meeting portion of this application is now closed.

Prepared by:

Submitted by:

Lindsay Richardson,
Junior Planner

Adele Arbour,
Director of Planning and Building Services



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