

## **CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

County Council Chambers  
Monday, October 5, 2009  
7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Eddy, Councillors Wheat, Schmitt, Simons, Haggart, Powell, Atfield, Chambers, Hodge, Coleman and Gatward

**Staff:** Glassford, Bell, Johnston, Robinson and Carman

Councillor Chambers in the Chair.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Corporate Development Committee agenda for October 5, 2009 be approved, with the following changes:

- addition of correspondence from the GSP group regarding Report CD-09-100 Development Engineering Standards Revisions
- withdrawal of Report CD-09-115 – St. George Area Study Landowners' Group – Water Pollution Control Plan Optimization Study

.Carried

### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor Coleman advised that he had a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 14b (in camera property negotiations matter).

### **DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PETITIONS**

#### **Request for Amendment to Royal Highland Estates Subdivision Agreement**

Kevin Fergin, Stantec, advised that, on behalf of the developer, a request was submitted to the County to amend the subdivision agreement for Royal Highland Estates regarding well testing to more closely reflect the Ministry of the Environment requirements. The MOE requires that four wells be pump tested for a subdivision of this size, and Stantec has requested that they be allowed to pump test five wells, rather than all the wells as currently stipulated in the subdivision agreement. If these tests are satisfactory and no concerns have been identified in the five test wells, Stantec is requesting that no further well testing be required. In light of the staff report recommending that this request be denied, Mr. Fergin requested that the staff report be deferred for one cycle to allow Stantec to receive further information from the County's peer review consultant and to meet with the County's hydrogeologist regarding their request.

#### **Revisions to Development and Engineering Standards**

Henry Stolp, on behalf of development interests in Paris and St. George, requested that the revisions to the Development and Engineering Standards be deferred for three meeting cycles in order to allow the development community to discuss outstanding issues with the

standards. He briefly outlined some of the issues, including municipal road widths, trees on boulevards, and the calculation for water usage on a household basis. Mr. Stolp also suggested that the matter of roundabouts should be included in the standards.

Mr. Stolp requested that consideration be given to restructure the Development Liaison Committee to more appropriately reflect some of the developers working in the community. He also suggested that the Development and Engineering Standards be referred for peer review by a third party consultant if consensus cannot be reached between staff and the development community.

### **MINUTES**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the Corporate Development Committee minutes of August 10, 2009 be approved, as printed.

.Carried

### **CONSENT ITEMS TO BE APPROVED**

Moved by – Councillor Hodge  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the following Consent Items be approved:

1. That in order to comply with the requirements of the Municipal Act, the 2008 Municipal Performance Measurement Program report be posted on the County of Brant's website.
2. That Brant County Council implement Clause Four of the Municipal Policy for Representation at OMB Hearings, wherein Council may elect **not** to send Legal Counsel or a planner to represent the County's interests and assist the Board in the matter of reviewing the merits of Zoning By-law Amendment File No. ZBA 10/09, from J.H. Cohoon Engineering Ltd., agent for Glenwood Homes, applicant and owner of Part Lots 1, 11, 12 & 13 of Block D, County of Brant, in the geographic Township of South Dumfries, located at 20 Tolhurst Avenue, wherein the applicant proposes to rezone these lands from Residential Second Density (R2) to Residential Multiple First Density (R4) to facilitate the development of a plan of condominium that consists of 25 rowhouse units.

.Carried

In response to a question, it was noted that the 2007 MPMP Police statistics included Six Nations statistics, but this is not the case in 2008. The Police Services Board will be requested to provide a response to the differences between the 2007 and 2008 statistics.

### **CONSENT ITEMS RECEIVED AS INFORMATION**

Moved by – Mayor Eddy  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the following Consent Items be received as information:

1. CD-09-94 – Nanticoke Grand Valley Water Supply Project – Status Update.

2. Correspondence from Land Use Council to Ministry of Natural Resources Re: Proposed Species Habitat Regulations.
3. Resolution – Township of Madawaska Valley Re: Funding to Hire Additional Personal Support Workers.
4. Resolution - Ontario Medical Association Re: Support for OMA's call for Provincial legislation that would require calorie counts to be posted on menus and menu boards.
5. Resolution – Town of Fort Erie Re: Support of Moratorium Call by Ontario Medical Association to Halt Major Health Care Restructuring Decisions.
6. Resolution – Town of Amherstburg Re: MPAC Evaluation of Solar Energy Development.
7. Resolution – Norfolk County Re: Participation in Ontario's South Coast Tourism Region.

. Carried

**Resolution – Community Schools Alliance Re: “Smart Moratorium”**

Moved by – Mayor Eddy  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the Council of the County of Brant support the resolution from the Community Schools Alliance requesting the Province of Ontario to implement a “smart moratorium” on disputed school closings to provide the opportunity for the Ministry of Education, school boards and municipalities to work together to develop policies addressing such issues as planning for declining enrolments, a mutually agreed upon Accommodation Review Committee process, a review of funding to rural and small community schools, and transparency and accountability between municipalities and school boards.

.Carried

**CD-09-99 – ROYAL HIGHLAND ESTATES SUBDIVISION – DEVELOPER'S REQUEST TO AMEND SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT**

Moved by – Councillor Haggart  
Seconded by – Mayor Eddy

That the request from the developer of the Royal Highland Estates Subdivision to amend the Subdivision Agreement be deferred for one meeting cycle.

.Carried

**CD-09-100 – DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING STANDARDS REVISIONS**

Moved by – Councillor Haggart  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

Whereas County staff has reviewed and revised the current Development and Engineering Standards in consultation with the Development Liaison Committee;

Be it hereby resolved that the Revised Development and Engineering Standards, dated June 2009, be approved.

. No Vote – Deferral Follows

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Moved by – Mayor Eddy  
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That consideration of Report CD-09-100, Development and Engineering Standards Revisions, be deferred for two meeting cycles to allow County staff and the Development Liaison Committee to discuss the outstanding issues.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Haggart  
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That County staff prepare a review of the Development Liaison Committee structure, including the request that the Committee be expanded to include other development interests within the County of Brant.

. Carried

### **CD-09-111 – SIX NATIONS ACCORD – NEXT STEPS**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Councillor Wheat

That Council select two members of Council to serve with the Mayor on the Commission that will jointly, with Six Nations representatives, develop the Green Energy Economic Accord;

That the members selected represent the interests of the County in any meetings with senior government officials and Six Nations representatives;

And that the members appointed report on the results of such meetings on an as required basis to Council.

.Carried

Councillors Chambers and Haggart indicated their interest in serving as the County representatives on the Commission.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That Councillors Chambers and Haggart be appointed as the County of Brant's representatives to serve with Mayor Eddy on the joint County/Six Nations Commission to develop the Green Energy Economic Accord.

. Carried

### **CD-09-112 – AMENDMENT TO COUNTY SIGN BY-LAW**

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the Sign By-law be amended to authorize field advertising signs to be permitted to locate as currently stipulated in the Sign By-law and within areas designated either Commercial or Industrial (Employment) provided that the sign fronts on an arterial or collector road, is 50m from any residentially-designated land, is a minimum of 25m setback from the road allowance, is separated from other field advertising signs by 300m, does not exceed the dimensions of 3m by 12.2m and is not located on a curve as determined by the County of Brant.

.Carried

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**CD-09-102 – POLICY RE: HUMAN RESOURCES PRACTICES DURING AN EMERGENCY**

Moved by – Councillor Wheat  
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the attached Policy re: Human Resources Practices During an Emergency be adopted;

And that staff be directed to ensure that the appropriate human resources practices are developed for use during a declared emergency.

.Carried

**CD-09-105 – 2009 CONFERENCE EXPENSES**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Mayor Eddy

That members of Brant County Council be reimbursed for their 2009 conference expenses that exceed the \$2,000 annual allowance, provided that there is capacity in the global 2009 Conference budget.

.Carried

**CD-09-106 – 2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTION – WARD BOUNDARIES**

Moved by – Councillor Powell  
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the County of Brant maintain its current ward boundary structure for the 2010 Municipal Election.

.Carried

**CD-09-109 – GRAND RIVER NOTIFICATION AGREEMENT - THIRD RENEWAL - OCTOBER 3, 2008**

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Wheat

That the County of Brant approve the Grand River Notification Agreement, dated October 3, 2008 and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the County of Brant.

.Carried

**CD-09-110 – SCOTT ANDERSON – REMOVAL OF REGISTERED AGREEMENT – RANGE 3, EMP, PART LOT 7, GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF BRANTFORD**

In response to a question, the Director of Development Services advised that the previous Township of Brantford consent prohibited any buildings on the property. The County's A9 zone restricts residential buildings, but would allow an agricultural building as proposed by Mr. Anderson.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward  
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That Council authorize the release of the development agreement registered on December 24, 1980 as instrument number A248433 against lands currently owned by Scott William Floyd Anderson in order to permit the construction of a farm related structure, with the applicant to bear all associated costs.

.Carried

### **CD-09-114 – ST. GEORGE AREA STUDY LANDOWNER’S GROUP – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT OPTIMIZATION STUDY**

Consideration of this report was withdrawn from the meeting agenda.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board – Surplus School Property – Former Sacred Heart School, 50 Main Street, Paris – In response to a question, the Director of Corporate Services advised that the fair market value for the property has not been made public at this time. It was agreed that this matter would be referred to staff to prepare a report for Council’s consideration.
2. GSP Group – CD-09-100 – Development and Engineering Standards Revision – Requesting deferral of report and direction to staff to undertake a broader consultation with developers – Received as information.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Councillor Haggart requested that as part of the St. George Area Study – Water Pollution Control Plan Optimization Study, staff provide further explanation/rationale on the proposal to allocate capacity to the developers who are funding the optimization study.

### **DIRECTOR’S UPDATE**

1. Fran Bell, Director of Corporate Services, reported that the final tax due date occurred on October 1. The percentage of levy collected is down slightly (1.6%) over last year. An analysis of the tax arrears will be presented at a future meeting.

**In Camera at 8:10 p.m. to discuss litigation and property negotiation matters**, with David Soucie in attendance for the first matter, on a motion of Councillors Wheat and Schmitt.

This portion of the meeting is recorded in the In Camera – Confidential Corporate Development Committee minutes dated October 5, 2009.

**The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 8:25 p.m.**, on a motion of Councillors Schmitt and Wheat.

**NEXT MEETING**

The Committee adjourned at 8:26 p.m. to meet again on Monday, November 9, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at the County Council Chambers, Paris.

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Secretary