

The ROCKWOOD Miller

Guelph / Eramosa COUNCIL CHIPS By: Mark Thomsen

Council heard a presentation from Township Planning Consultant Mitchell Avis regarding a Zoning By-Law Amendment 08/16 Winter Hill Farm Inc. 9 (Stephen Smith). With no objections or concerns, all amending by-laws were passed.

Dan Kennaley of the Concerned Residents Coalition (CRC) presented that the CRC has major concerns regarding the use of Elizabeth Howson as planning consultant for the Hidden Quarry issue. The CRC recommended that council discontinue its relationship with her as a consultant based on allegations that her planning report was flawed in many different ways. Further, Kennaley claimed that council did not refer the flawed report back to Ms. Howson for reconsideration and amendments despite the CRC pointing out

the problems. Council thanked Kennaley for his presentation.

Council heard a presentation from Township Planning Consultant Mitchell Avis regarding a Zoning By-Law Amendment 08/12 Ted Holdings Ltd. (Formerly Drexler) to allow the building of eight condominium garden suites on Dowlar Street in Rockwood. There were several parking, lighting and fire access issues asked from council. With all addressed and with no objections, council passed the amendment all in favour.

Mr. Avis also presented information regarding a Consent Application from Jennifer and Robin Johnson for a Lot Line Adjustment at 49 Ash Street in Eden Mills. B119/16. Among other requirements it was determined that the GRCA may not allow a road

access to this property. Thus, council voted to defer the application allowing the applicant to obtain more information. Councillor Marshall abstained from voting due to possible pecuniary interest.

Robin Milne, Director of Parks and Recreation presented his recommendations to approve the expansion of Rockwood Cemetery. It was passed all in favour.

Acting Clerk Amanda Knight presented information and recommendations for a Kennel By-Law 4-2017, an amendment to Dog Control By-Law 80/2016, A Complaints Handling Policy for the Township COR-0213 and that John Maddox of JGM Consulting be named Closed Meeting Investigator for Guelph Eramosa Township. With no objections, all were approved.



HALL OF FAME: Mayor White presented Guelph Eramosa resident Stewart Cockshutt a Recognition of Achievement award for his induction into the 80+ Hockey Hall of Fame. Mr. Cockshutt, at 87 years of age, still plays two games a week. He has been playing since he was 5 years old. - Mark Thomsen photo

It's 'Baby Time' at Rockwood Library



By: Vivien Fleisher

Rockwood Library held its very first "baby time" on Monday. And of all the programs they've run recently, this one was the most enthusiastically received, according to branch manager Kirsten Maki. Developed specifically for infants from newborn to twelve

months, the youngest participant was only two-months old.

Assistant Brittany Shantz led the group by reading out short pieces in a sing-song, rhythmic manner, and the delighted babies responded with obvious joy, which in turn spread to their beaming parents.

Fergus library assistant

Marlena Milliken was also on hand to pick up some pointers ahead of her own session in Fergus this week.

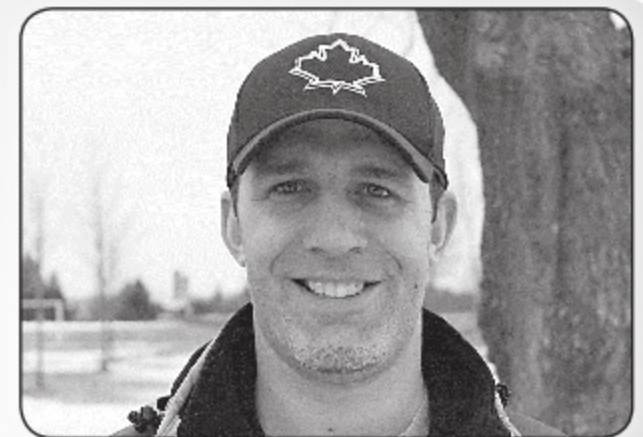
By the end of the half-hour session, the message was clear; there's no age limit when it comes to loving books. More sessions are in the works. To register, call 519-856-4851.



WORD IN THE VILLAGE

with Mark Thomsen

"Do you enjoy Canadian winters? What do you do during them?"



Jon Pigozzo "I do. I play hockey. Sometimes we go up skiing."



Mike Forward "I just like them (Canadian winters) just because I like the change of the seasons."



Andea Kamminga "We enjoy Canadian winters. My husband and kids love to snowmobile and I love to curl up with a good book."



Liz Southwell "Yes, we go snowmobiling in Coboconk and for walks."