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Milton Council Notes

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Proclamations – June is Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Awareness month.

Presentations -Council received a report by the Region on Halton Region's Comprehensive Housing Strategy.

Road Closures - Council approved the closure of Lower Base Line, 9th Line to Trafalgar Road from July 4 to October 7, 2005 for road reconstruction. Guelph Line (north of Brookville) to 20 Sideroad will be closed to through traffic from June 6 to August 31st. (Brookville school & businesses will be accessible traveling north from 15 Sideroad.)

Canada Day - Council designated the Canada Day festivities to be held at the Milton Fair Grounds as a Community Festival.

Zoning Amendments Council approved an amendment for draft plan of subdivision by Transcon Properties, at SE corner of Derry Road & Armstrong Blvd. For 97 single units, a neighbourhood block of 135 units, woodlot and park; a zoning amendment to permit multiple industrial buildings at Lawson Road & Boston Church Road; a zoning amendment by Mattamy (Brownridge) Limited for draft plan of subdivision for 444 residential units, village square and neighbourhood park; a temporary zoning amendment to permit a garden suite at 3058 30 Sideroad.

Wireless Telecommunications Tower Protocol -Council approved a protocol to consider any requests for towers on municipal and other properties. The procedure will include consideration of public information centres, site plans, technical reports, management plans and lease agreements. A number of requests have been received for future consideration.

Agreement Forests Regional Council approved a Forest Management Plan for Agreement Forests as presented by staff following extensive public consultation, recommending passive use only for these environmentally sensitive areas. Nearly all of these lands are within the rural areas of Milton.

Trails & Bikeways Guide -This colour guide includes urban & rural mapping of existing and future trails. It is available at Town facilities, the Visitor Information Centre, and through the Town's website.

Public Meetings - Council held a number of Public Meetings on development applications and zoning by-laws. Public Meetings included: Temporary Zoning Amendment to permit a Garden Suite at 8469 First Line Nassagaweya; Official Plan amendment and Zoning amendment to permit a 27-hole golf course at Trafalgar Road and Britannia Road; a Zoning amendment to permit a public 18-hole golf course at 20 Sideroad and Guelph Line. Following this legislated public meeting, an additional meeting with interested residents will be held to receive comments on the proposed zoning amendment to permit a 264-unit condominium at Main Street and Maple Avenue. Once all comments have been received, reports will be brought forward for Council's consideration. If you wish to comment or would like further information, contact the Town's Planning Department.

June 20th Public Meetings -Zoning amendment to permit redevelopment of the mall and

development of a new retail site on Nippissing Road. Zoning amendment to permit auto-related commercial uses at Lawson Road & Steeles Avenue East. Compete details on up-coming public meetings are available on the web site.

BMX Park - Plans are now being finalized for a BMX facility to be located in Lions Sports Park, to open Mid-July.

Alcohol Risk Management Policy - Council approved a policy with includes provisions for SMART SERVE trained servers at functions held in town facilities. Full information on the Policy is available through Community Services.

Extended Parking - 24-hour parking is now permitted on a section of Fourth Line north of Croft Avenue in accordance with a Council policy whereby more that 51% of residents support this parking consideration.

CPR Grade Separation -Council received a report on the Thompson Road/CPR grade separation, moving detailed design and rail detour to 2005 for construction in 2006. The contract for detailed designs is just over \$3 million, and an additional \$1.2 million for storm sewers. Design and widening of Thompson Road South (Derry Rod to Main Street East) is also advanced to 2006/07. The Main Street East grade separation is deferred to 2007 for design and construction in 2009/10.

Golf Course Study - Council requested that the Region of Halton give consideration to updating its golf course study semi-annually to include market penetration, hydrogeological analysis and suitability of regional roads to support golf course activity.

Community Fund - Council approved CSAC recommendations for \$5,442 in travel grants to 10 individuals: Carolyn Keyworth, Tom Dusmet, Dale Devlin, Robert Mitchell, Yorick Nazareth and Blanche Hinton \$591 each to attend the Chicago Centennial Rotary Convention. Peter Leaman, Nick Ronan, Kyle Shermet, Kevin Iwasa-Madge \$474 each to participate in the 2005 Canadian Cadet/Juvenile Wrestling Championships in St. John's Newfoundland.

Recognition . - the Province recognized Mayor Gord Krantz, and Councillors Rick Day & Brian Penman with long-standing service awards for serving over 25 years in office.

Talk of the Town - The June edition of this Town publication should have been delivered to your mailbox last week. Additional copies are available through the Town.

Web Site: Council agendas and minutes are posted on the Town's web site. This site also includes other useful and interesting information about Town events, services, press releases and reports. www.milton.ca.

Representatives: Phone numbers and email address for the Mayor and Councillors are available on the Town's Web Site or by phone. Town Hall: 905-878-7211 or 1-800-418-5494. Region of Halton: 905-825-6000 or 1-866-442-5866.

(These notes are intended to provide a snapshot of Milton Council happenings, rather than opinions. Further information can be obtained and comments shared - through elected representatives, town staff and the Town website.)

