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# NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chamber • 111 Sandiford Drive

# October 16, 2012

Council Meeting – 3:00 p.m. Public Hearing - not required

## October 30, 2012

(November 6th meeting cancelled and rescheduled on October 30, 2012) Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

The agenda for these meetings will be available for review at the Municipal Offices, Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library and on the Town's website at noon the Thursday prior to the meeting.

> Complete Schedule of Council Meetings available on the Town website.

# **COUNCIL'S CORNER**

by KAREN EWART

Council Highlights provide a brief summary of pertinent decisions made at a Council meeting. More information on these stories and other Council activities can be obtained from the Town's website.

# **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE OCTOBER 2, 2012 COUNCIL MEETING**

# ARE YOU REGISTERED AS AN ORGAN DONOR? YORK REGION MUNICIPAL ORGAN DRIVE **CHALLENGE**

Representatives from the York Region Gift of Life Association addressed Council regarding the organ and tissue donor

program. In Ontario, more than 1,500 people are on the wait list for organ transplants. One organ and tissue donor can someday save up to 8 lives and enhance as many as 75 more through tissue donation.

York Region with 19% registered donors has the lowest registration of organ donors in Ontario. Ontario has one of the lowest registration rates at 22%.

Council is championing the challenge to increase the number of registered donors in Whitchurch-Stouffville from November 1, 2012 and January 31, 2013.

You can also register on line at the Service Ontario - Online Organ and Tissue Donor Registration website. The online registry provides an opportunity for donors to amend their consent to donate organs and tissue at any time.

Council was advised that signed donor cards may not be registered with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's database. To register, check or update your consent to donate organs and tissue you will need:

- Your health card number and version code (if applicable)
- Your date of birth (you must be 16 years of age or older)

Take the time to discuss this with your family now so your family is aware of your choice. For more information regarding the York Region Gift of Life Association and the organ and tissue donation program visit www.beadonor.ca

# **MUNICIPAL ELECTION CLOSE** VOTE RECOUNT POLICY

Council adopted a report to establish a Municipal Election Close Vote Recount Policy which would be applicable for all regular municipal elections and by-elections as a means of providing a transparent and consistent process for dealing with recounts pertaining to a close vote. The Policy defines what constitutes a close vote recount. Additionally, it establishes a Recount Advisory Committee that would review and provide advice to Council regarding recount requests that fall outside of the policy. The policy does not apply to candidates for school board trustee positions or for a question on the ballot at the request of another level of government. A request for a recount in these situations would be determined by the applicable school board or the applicable level of government.

For more information regarding the proposed Recount policy, see Report #1 of the October 2, 2012 Council agenda.

# **AWARD OF JOINT TENDERS**

Whitchurch-Stouffville Staff took the lead on the following tenders in partnership with other area municipalities resulting with an opportunity to cost savings for these services.

WS-RFP-12-51 - SUPPLEMENTARY MUNICIPAL LEGAL **SERVICES** – Joint tender with the Town of Georgina - Ritchie Ketcheson Hart & Biggart for supplementary municipal legal services and Hicks Morley for employment law services, for a period of three years commencing October 8, 2012 and ending December 31, 2015.

# WS-RFP-12-39 N6 AUDIT SERVICES REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

- Joint tender with the Township of King and the Towns of Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, Newmarket and Whitchurch-Stouffville (N6) - BDO Canada LLP as the municipal auditor for a minimum of a three (3) year term.

For questions about these highlights, please contact Communications, at ext. 2321.



# **HOURS OF OPERATION AND CLOSURES** OF TOWN FACILITIES FOR THANKSGIVING

The Municipal Offices will be closed on Monday October 8, 2012, re-opening on Tuesday October 9, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

Please contact the following numbers, should you require assistance with:

Public Works/Leisure Services (Operations & Emergencies)	1-800-997-9377
Garbage/Recycling /Large Article Pick-up	1-866-421-5625
Animal Control	1-800-898-8606
Fire & Emergency Response	911

For the hours of operation for other Town Facilities, please see our website.

# **MARRIAGE LICENCES**

Getting Married? Call the Customer Service Centre to book your appointment. Hours of operation: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and for your convenience, we are also open until 8:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month. For complete details visit www.townofws.com/marriage\_licences.asp

# **NOTICES CONT'D**

# **OFF-LEASH DOG PARK CLOSURE**

The Off-Leash Dog Park will be closed for upgrades from October 15 to October 29, 2012. We apologize for the inconvenience.

# **ENCROACHMENT BY-LAW PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION**

Wednesday October 17th, 2012 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Council Chambers

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is proposing to adopt an encroachment by-law which will allow the Town to regulate encroachments on municipal road allowances, municipal property and easements.

A public information meeting will be held on the above date to provide information and receive input from the public and contractors on the proposed encroachment by-law. There will be a brief presentation at 7:30 pm.

For more information please contact Paul Whitehouse at paul.whitehouse@townofws.ca or ext. 2248.

# YARD WASTE/LEAF COLLECTION

Residents are advised that leaves will only be collected if they are in paper bags or reusable open top containers (excluding cardboard boxes) such as bushel baskets or garbage cans. Plastic bags will not be collected.

The Town does not pick up leaves raked, blown or piled along the roads. Non-containerized or non-bagged leaves present a traffic and drainage hazard and residents are required to remove them.

# **NOTICES CONT'D**

Yard Waste should be placed curbside for collection by 7:00 am on the collection day.

Other materials accepted for collection include leaves, plants, fine brush, tree clippings and branches up to 100 mm (4") in diameter and tied in bundles of a maximum length of 1.2 metres (4') and weighing no more than 22 kgs (50 lbs).

York Region residents who wish to drop off their yard waste may do so, free of charge, at The Bloomington Composting Facility - 1351 Bloomington Road, Richmond Hill (just west of Leslie Street) Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 7:00 am to 5:00 p.m. (closed Statutory Holidays)

Refer to the Garbage and Recycling Schedule for more information on Yard Waste Collection. A copy of the schedule can be obtained from our website.



# **HISTORY HANDS-ON (H2O): "HARVEST"**

Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum & Community Centre Saturday October 27, 2012 • 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This month is Harvest themed! Learn to make rope in the Cabin and try some heritage board games. Practice rug hooking in the Farmhouse parlour and learn about printmaking with our printing press demo. Really experience life as it was 100 years ago! Regular admission applies.

# Celebrate Small Business Week at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Un-Conference October 15, 2012 - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lebovic Centre for Arts & Entertainment – Nineteen on the Park

Cost of attending is \$30, lunch inclusive. Register online: www.n6bizseries.ca/unconference.