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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 22 2013

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Have your say on skate park

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Do you want the new skateboard park to be solely used for skateboarding or are you willing to share it with BMX riders and other users?

Do experienced riders want to share some of the space with newbies and should the design be bowl-shaped, exclusively at ground level, have wooden or concrete ramps and be lit?

What features do you want incorporated adjacent and complementary to the skateboard park?

Those are just some of the survey questions available on the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville's website.

Completed surveys, along with information ascertained from the initial public consultation meeting Jan. 15 will be used by town staff and project consultants to create the skateboard park's preliminary design options, according to the town's website. Surveys need to be returned to the town by Jan. 29.

The skateboard park is part of Memorial Park's master plan, which is being completed in stages between this year and 2021.

The first priority is the skateboard park, basketball court and the stopping-up of a portion of Burkholder Street, according to the staff report.

More than \$400,000 was pre-approved for the 2013 budget late last year for this project.

In 2012, Mayor Wayne Emmerson made it a personal mission to raise money for the new skateboard park. The mayor's golf tournament committee donated \$40,000 to the project in November and in the spring, Mr. Emmerson hosted a dinner, which raised about \$60,000.

The skateboard park is expected to be between 8,000 and 10,000 square feet in size. It

will be constructed in the park's south end near Hoover Park Drive, just west of the library/leisure centre complex parking lot.

Proposals from consultants are currently being reviewed by town staff with a selection expected to be made Feb. 26.

Two more public consultations will take place during the weeks of March 18 and April 29.

The final design is slated to go before council May 21, with construction expected to start the week of July 8. Opening date is being targeted for the week of Sept. 16.

For more, go to www.townofws.ca

Learn about town budget

If you wish to hear more about the town's proposed 2013 draft budget, a special council meeting will take place Tuesday at 2 p.m. Additional information regarding the 2013 to 2022 draft capital forecast and fiscal impact study are also on the agenda.

Interest in Stronach heritage home

Someone has come forward who is interested in relocating the Bartholomew farmhouse at 4721 Stouffville Rd.

Last November, the owner of the 260-acre piece of land the 160-year-old home sits on, Frank Stronach's company Adena Stallions, was told to wait on its demolition.

The proposal goes to council Tuesday.

Also on the 7 p.m. agenda are the results of the corporate efficiency and compensation policy reviews.

Benita Vandenberg will give a delegation to council regarding a proposal to install a sports dome over the Ballantrae tennis courts.

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