



## **Council Minutes**

(Community Recognition)

May 8, 2014, 7:00 PM

Council Chamber, Anthony Roman Markham Civic Centre

Meeting No. 10

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### **Roll Call**

Mayor Frank Scarpitti, Deputy Mayor Jack Heath, Regional Councillor Gord Landon, Regional Councillor Joe Li, Councillor Valerie Burke, Councillor Howard Shore, Councillor Don Hamilton, Councillor Carolina Moretti, Councillor Colin Campbell, Councillor Alan Ho, Councillor Logan Kanapathi, Councillor Alex Chiu.

### **Regrets**

Regional Councillor Jim Jones.

### **Staff**

Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer

Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community and Fire Services

John Wong, Technology Support Specialist

Alida Tari, Deputy Clerk

Laura Gold, Council/Committee Coordinator

The Special Council Meeting for Community Recognition convened at 7:07 PM on May 8, 2014 in the Council Chamber. Deputy Mayor Jack Heath presided from 7:07 PM to 7:51 PM and Mayor Frank Scarpitti presided thereafter.

The Village Voices Choir sang Canada's National Anthem O Canada prior to the presentations.

On behalf of Council, Deputy Mayor Jack Heath welcomed members of the public to the Special Council Meeting for Community Recognition. He noted the purpose of the meeting is to recognize and celebrate individuals who have made contributions to the community of Markham.

### **1. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

(1) None declared.

## 2. PRESENTATIONS

### (1) 2013 HERITAGE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARDS (12.2.6)

The Ontario Heritage Trust's Heritage Community Recognition Awards Program celebrates volunteer achievement in identifying, preserving, protecting and promoting local heritage. It recognizes that community volunteers play a vital role in conserving Ontario's heritage. Individuals are nominated by Municipal Councils.

Council recognized the recipients of the 2013 Heritage Community Recognition Awards including:

- Fred Watt and Joyce Nelson Watt, Built Heritage Category
- Evelin Ellison, Cultural Heritage Category
- Jane McCulloch, Natural Heritage Category

Michael Sawchuck, Manager of Conservation and Acquisitions Services, Ontario Heritage Trust, was in attendance.

### (2) 2014 MARKHAM DISTRICT ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY BURSARY AWARDS CEREMONY (12.2.6)

Mr. Bruce Ander, President and CEO, Markham District Energy Inc., provided background information on the Markham District Energy Sustainability Bursary.

The Markham District Energy Sustainability Bursary was established to help cultivate and nurture environmental leadership. The Bursary encourages and rewards graduating Markham high school students who have distinguished themselves through academic excellence and participation in environmental extracurricular, volunteer and community service activities; and who intend to study sciences related to the environment full-time at a Canadian post-secondary institution.

Council extended congratulations to the recipients of the 2014 Markham District Energy Sustainability Bursary. The recipients are:

#### York Region Catholic District School Board

- Alexander Morihovitis, Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy
- Alyssa Tang, St. Augustine Catholic High School
- Sarena Karpouzis, St. Brother Andre Catholic High School
- Richard de Paulsen, St. Robert Catholic High School

York Region District School Board

- Marie Racioppa, Bill Crothers Secondary School
- Jean Ji, Bur Oak Secondary School
- Ella Matthiessen, Markham District High School
- Michelle Sin, Markville Secondary School
- Sarina Sit, Middlefield Collegiate Institute
- Shailja Modi, Milliken Mills High School
- Jade Bassler, Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School
- Arash Homayouni, Thornhill Secondary School
- Xiang Li, Thornlea Secondary School
- Kathy Lin, Unionville High School

- (3) BRUCE ANDER  
- QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIAMOND JUBILEE  
MEDAL RECIPIENT (12.2.6)

Council recognized the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal recipient Bruce Ander.

- (4) ANDREW CHUNG AND MELANIE CHUNG  
- REELWORLD FILM FESTIVAL (12.2.6)

A short video clip of the movie named "Millions" was played. The movie was shown during the ReelWorld Film Festival in First Markham Cineplex Theatre. Andrew Chung, Director and Producer, highlighted some of the scenes where the filming took place in Markham.

Council recognized Andrew Chung & Melanie Chung, Director and Producer for the movie.

- (5) VICTOR FAN  
- REELWORLD FILM FESTIVAL (12.2.6)

A short video clip of the movie named "Toronto Sounds" was played. The movie was shown during the ReelWorld Film Festival in First Markham Cineplex Theatre.

Council recognized Victor Fan, Short Film Editor for the movie.

- (6) BREANNE WILSON-BENNETT,  
TEAM CANADA UNDER-18 NATIONAL WOMEN'S HOCKEY  
- GOLD MEDAL WINNER AT THE  
INTERNATIONAL ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS(12.2.6)

Council recognized Gold Medallist Breanne Wilson-Bennett, Team Canada Under-18 National Women's Hockey Player, at the International Ice Hockey Federation Championships.

- (7) DAN FILGIANO  
- SILVER MEDAL WINNER AT THE  
2014 ONTARIO MASTERS PROVINCIAL SWIM CHAMPIONSHIPS (12.2.6)

Council recognized Silver Medallist Dan Filgiano in 100 metres Individual Medley and in breaking three Canadian Records, 50-59 Age Group Category, for 50 metres Breaststroke, 100 metres Breaststroke and 200 Breaststroke, at the 2014 Ontario Masters Provincial Swim Championships.

- (8) CHRIS WILLIAMSON  
- BRONZE MEDAL WINNER AT THE  
2014 SOCHI PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES (12.2.6)

There was a short video clip played on the four-time Paralympic Medallist Chris Williamson.

Council recognized Chris Williamson for all his outstanding Paralympic achievements and for winning the Bronze Medal in Slalom at the 2014 Sochi Paralympic Winter Games.

- (9) CHLOE ESSEARY  
- GOLD MEDAL WINNER AT THE  
ATHLETICS ONTARIO YOUTH INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (12.2.6)

Council recognized Gold Medallist Chloe Essery in High Jump at the Athletics Ontario Youth Indoor Championships held at the York University.

(10) TSUNG TSIN HAKKA ASSOCIATION 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY (12.2.6)

Council recognized the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Tsung Tsin Hakka Association.

Philip Yapsam, President of Tsung Tsin Hakka Association, was in attendance.

(11) VILLAGE VOICES CHOIR 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY (12.2.6)

The Choir sang Canada's National Anthem O Canada prior to the presentations

Council recognized the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Village Voices Choir.

(12) THORNHILL GARDEN AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY  
- 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY (12.2.6)

Council recognized the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Thornhill Garden and Horticultural Society.

President Bernadette Burns and several Board Members, Thornhill Garden and Horticultural Society, were in attendance.

(13) KEIJO TAIVASSALO  
- 2014 BOSTON MARATHON WINNER (12.2.6)

Council recognized Keijo Taivassalo, Winner of the 2014 Boston Marathon, 75-79 Age Group Category.

(14) ACROSS U-HUB  
- 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY MOSAIC EVENT (12.2.6)

Council recognized the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City Mosaic Event for Across U-Hub.

**3. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi  
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

That By-law 2014-58 be given three readings and enacted.

**Three Readings**

BY-LAW 2014-58     A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting of May 8, 2014.

**Carried**

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Howard Shore  
Seconded by Councillor Alan Ho

That the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:16 PM.

**Carried**

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Alida Tari  
Deputy Clerk

(Signed)

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Frank Scarpitti  
Mayor