

Tender awarded for Carson Drain maintenance

by Michelle Minnoch

Town has awarded the tender for the Carson Drain Maintenance to the low bidder, the Eisses Brothers, at a cost of \$14,914.52.

Although \$65,000 was allotted in the 2006 budget for the work, there was a delay in receiving the required permits for the work. The funds were carried forward to commence work in spring 2007.

According to Staff Report CS-19-07, there are approximately 410 landowners in the drainage area that will be sharing the cost for the maintenance work. The Town has applied to OMAFRA for a grant (\$1137.51 for Agricultural Lands based on \$30,000 estimate) and is expecting an answer by

May 2.

Councillor Lynn Dollin asked George Shaparew, Director of Community Services, if all the assessed landowners in the area had been notified.

He said at this point they were just trying to get then work done.

Mayor Brian Jackson asked if the assessments were complete.

"They have been," Shaparew said.

Councillor Dollin said although this project was miniscule in scale, compared to the South Innisfil Creek Drain, she would like residents effected fully aware of the situation and their pending costs.

By-law reviewing dogs in Park

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On May 2, council will bring forward the final Park's by-law, which addresses such issues as dogs at Innisfil Beach Park.

Currently, no dogs are permitted at the park on weekends, from 8am until

8pm from the Friday before the Victoria Day weekend, until the Tuesday following Thanksgiving in October.

Some changes to be discussed include allowing police, service and guide dogs on the property; ability to lay trespassing charges

between 12 and 6am; exclusion of golfing, building a camp fire, camping, possessing liquor without a permit; exclusion to ride horses; evictions of owners of dogs who attack; fines of \$100 for such offences.

Council may also look at

including leashed dogs in the park on the weekends to help increase park revenue.

"We took a long time to develop this by-law," said Deputy Mayor Gord Wauchope. "I still don't like the idea of having dogs in there, even on a leash."



The students of Goodfellow Public School presented a cheque to Heather MacDonald and Deputy Mayor Gord Wauchope of the Rec Centre Fundraising Committee, in the amount of \$300. Students baked and sold cookies for eight weeks and surpassed their goal of \$200. (l-r) MacDonald, Wyatt Bowden, Nicole Hilliard, Wauchope, David Brownlee and Monica Goodfellow.

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MAY 3, 2007

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Innisfil Rec Centre essay writing competition

Why do you want your name on a seat in the new rec centre? Why do you want to name it for a loved one?

The Scope has partnered up with some great community leaders for an essay competition, in which the chosen entries will get a chance to name a seat. There are seven seats available.

Who can participate?

The contest is broken down into three grade categories; grades 2 - 4, grades 5 and 6, grades 7 and 8.

Where do I send/drop off my essay?

Essays can be emailed to arenaseats@hotmail.com or they can be dropped off at your local branch of the Innisfil Public Library, or at The Scope drop box at the IGA in Stroud.

When does it end?

The deadline for your essay is May 23rd. A picture of the contest winners will be published in The Scope.

Get involved, it's your rec centre - and you could have your name written all over it!

Did you miss Earth Day?

April 23, 2007: Newmarket – Did you miss it? Earth Day was Sunday, April 22. Don't worry, it's not too late to do something for the environment.

With the warm weather following so soon on the last of the snow many of us wanted to be out in the sun and just enjoy it. We didn't want to do anything.

However, Earth Day reminds us that there is a lot to do and, while a lot of people worked hard on Earth Day, there are still a lot of opportunities for those of us who missed those events to pitch-in and do something.

The Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and other groups and individuals are sponsoring tree plantings in various communities.

Helping out at a public tree planting is not a big commitment. Just show up and plant a tree ... or plant a

lot of trees.

- Sunoco Earth Day 2007 Tree Planting - April 29

Newmarket, George R. Richardson Park, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Aurora Arboretum Community Planting Event - May 5

Aurora, off Industrial Parkway, north of Wellington St, just south of St John's Sideroad, near the Leash-Free Dog Park, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- Bogart Creek Tree Planting Day- May 12

Newmarket, Bogarttown Curve & Hwy #404, 11:00 a.m – 2:00 p.m.

- Barrie Community Tree Planting - May 12

City of Barrie, along the east side of Lover's Creek, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Planting a tree is a small thing, but planting a tree can make a big difference for the

Mayor's Walk for Health May 4th

The 3rd annual Mayor's Walk for Health being held May 4th is setting its sights on children this year as a way to encourage them to get outdoors and get active after a long winter spent in front of the computer screen or television set.

"Research shows that more than half the children in Simcoe County are getting less than the amount of exercise recommended for optimal growth and development."

"The Mayor's Walk provides a great opportunity for parents and caregivers to lead by example, to bring the kids out for a fun, community activity that is suitable for all ages and abilities. We have invited all of our local schools to get involved and get energized as well."

The walk gets under way at 12:15 p.m. on Fri. May 4th and people are asked to gather at Noon.

Participants will walk to and from Sobey's in Alcona

to the Lakeshore Library and back with Mayor Brian Jackson.

"Activities like the Mayor's Walk all work to help Simcoe residents stay active, eat well, be smoke free and reduce stress – lifestyle behaviours that reduce the risk of heart and lung disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers."

"And with growing evidence that our children are at risk for these same diseases because they are not active it is a natural fit to take this community-based event and extend it to our local school children."

For more information about the Mayor's Walk for Health call 705 456-4711.

You can also get more information about Good for Life by clicking on the Simcoe County District Health Unit website at www.simcoehealth.org or call Health Connection at 721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.



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