

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

Item 48, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 9, 2014.

48 CREATING PLACES: NAMING OF MUNICIPALLY-OWNED WOODLOTS

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution submitted by Councillor Carella dated September 2, 2014:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Tony Carella

Whereas, Council has seen fit to assign specific names to storm water management ponds across the City of Vaughan, in order to create a sense of place (e.g., "Sunset Ridge Pond", rather than "SWM Pond No. 132") as a means of better defining and enhancing the concept of community space, which these ponds are by virtue of the fact that they are publicly-held lands; and

Whereas, to that end, signs have been posted in the vicinity of storm water management ponds indicating the names of the ponds (with each name typically being that of an abutting or nearby roadway); and

Whereas, there are numerous municipally-owned woodlots across the City of Vaughan of significant size and in many cases historical importance; and

Whereas, the preservation of these municipally-owned woodlots and the addition of other woodlots to their numbers is an important component of the City of Vaughan's environmental sustainability policy; and

Whereas, in most if not all cases these woodlots lack a specific name, the existence of which would create a genuine sense of place, as already established in respect of the aforementioned storm water ponds, and thereby, again, better define and enhance the concept of community space;

It is therefore recommended:

1. **That** appropriate staff be directed to identify the location of each municipally-owned woodlot, and report back to Council with a plan for naming said woodlots, as storm water management ponds were named, employing any appropriate historical references as maybe identified by the City Archivist