



Concerned Residents Coalition **Working to Protect Your Community and Environment**

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REPORT ON MILTON COUNCIL MEETING

You made the difference!

We had an overflow house in Milton on Monday evening, July 25, to watch as Milton Council passed, unanimously, Cindy Lunau's motion, seconded by Colin Best:

Milton Council Motion Text:

Whereas the James Dick Construction Ltd. Hidden Quarry application is scheduled for an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing in September 2016

And Whereas this application has serious implications for Rural Milton including water resources, haul routes, and agricultural impacts for crops and livestock

And Whereas the Region of Halton will represent the interests of Milton at the Ontario Municipal Board Hearing,

Therefore be it resolved that The Town of Milton fully endorses the Region of Halton's opposition to this application.

When Colin Best asked for a show of hands of CRC members in the gallery, the whole audience waved. That such a big crowd came out on a lovely summer evening, from every municipality, to pay attention was amazing and impressive. It is a true pleasure to be part of this community!!

As it turned out, Cindy Lunau also proposed an amendment to her motion, recommending that Milton Council provide \$10,000 to CRC to assist with expenses associated with expert witnesses. Although there was some clear support for this idea from several Councillors, Council made the decision to wait until the motion could be presented separately at the August 22 meeting because of procedural concerns and questions about precedent, etc. Cindy made it clear that CRC had not requested this financial support – in fact, the proposed amendment was new to the audience.

Before the vote on the original motion, Linda Sword made a short presentation (attached) using Susan Strachan Johnson's 3D model as a reference. Council members asked friendly and helpful questions which expanded on what we could actually say in the permitted 10 minutes – questions about dust, traffic, GO buses, school buses, other properties owned by numbered companies, etc. – so that, in the end, almost all the issues CRC has focussed on were brought to the discussion.

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COUNTDOWN! 67 DAYS UNTIL OMB HEARING BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 27

We were also able to make it clear that Milton residents represent about one third of our supporters, and that our community fund-raising over the last three years had brought in about \$400,000. We are very proud to be part of this community!!



3RD ANNUAL CRC GOLF TOURNAMENT AT TURTLE CREEK

Friday, September 9 www.driveforecrc.ca **BOOK NOW!** Book a golf-cart-full of friends!



OMB Hearing ALERT

The Hearing, which begins on Tuesday, September 27 may last up to 7 weeks. There will be key days when we need a strong CRC showing, including the first day. We will also let you know when especially vital testimony is being presented, including the dates when participants, ie. local residents, will speak. In general, however, we need to have a small CRC contingent there every day. We will be setting up a roster (exact method tbd!) so that you can sign on for days you will be able to be present so we can share the attendance load. Most sessions will be daytime, but there may be some evening sessions too. Stay tuned!

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