

March 24, 2004

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2004 and called to order by Reeve Ted Linley at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Reeve Ted Linley, Councillors Don Dallimore, John Fullerton, David Ratz, Gil Reeves, Archie Roach, Kent Weber and Dale Wedgwood; and Clerk Deborah Tonelli.

ALSO PRESENT: Treasurer Sandra Leach; Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont; Assistant Clerk Beverly Eagleson and By-Law Enforcement Officer Dale Swan.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: Councillor Wedgwood – Wedgwood Cleaning Services.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

04-06-01 THAT we **adopt the minutes** of the Regular meetings of Council held
K. Weber Wednesday, February 25, March 3, and March 10, 2004 as corrected.
D. Ratz CARRIED.

04-06-02 THAT **By-law #04-11** being a by-law of the Corporation of the
J. Fullerton Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council
D. Ratz Meetings held on February 25, 2004, March 3, 2004 and March 10, 2004,
authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby, was
read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day
of March, 2004. CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

Councillor Roach asked about Fire Fighter per diem. Council discussed this briefly. Councillor Reeves reported that he had attended the Fire Department Budget meeting at Station. Fire fighters recommend that honourarium and per diem be reviewed with 2004 budget deliberations.

04-06-03 THAT we approve payment of the General Accounts, excluding items of
J. Fullerton Pecuniary Interest, for the period from March 11 to March 24, 2004 in the
G. Reeves amount of **\$258,965.79**. CARRIED.

04-06-04 THAT we approve payment to Dale Wedgwood for Cleaning Contract
K. Weber services, in the amount of \$175.27. CARRIED.
D. Dallimore PECUNIARY INTEREST: Dale Wedgwood, Janitorial Services.

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Treasurer's Report

04-06-05 THAT we accept the **Minutes of Settlement** from MPAC for 2004
D. Ratz Taxation as follows:
D. Dallimore 57 24 000 008 28400 0000 RT From 85,000 to TT 85,000
57 24 000 003 08700 0000 CT From 14,220 to CT 8,750
RT From 194,780 to RT 116,250
57 24 000 017 07301 0000 RT From 139,000 to RT 124,000
CARRIED.

Provincial Offences revenue totaled \$793,965.72 for 2003. Our share of that revenue based on population is \$15,616.43 and has been received.

The Province announced two **changes for the property tax tools** available to municipalities for the 2004 taxation year. OPTA – (On line Property Tax Analysis) is currently working with the

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Ministries to incorporate these changes into the existing tax tools. Details are anticipated shortly. This will allow municipalities to use OPTA to evaluate the effects of utilizing revenue neutral tax rates.

Treasurer Leach reported that to date **write-offs** resulting from Requests for Reconsideration and Assessment Review Board decisions, using 2003 Tax Rates, total \$10,811.59 including education taxes.

A copy of **Assessment Roll Totals comparison** for 2001 to 2004 were provided to Council.

Requests have been distributed to Huron Shores **boards and committees** to submit 2004 **budgets** requirements in preparation of the 2004 Municipal Budget. Treasury anticipates commencing preliminary budget work in the last week of March or first week of April.

Uncollected education tax in the amount of \$14,541.20 for properties not sold at tax sale has been written off. This amount can be clawed back and will be deducted from the next payment to the school boards.

Treasury priorities include 2004 Budget, Trillium Fund Application, Calculating and Processing Minutes of Settlement, working tax ratios and various scenarios of same, public works summary of hours for road study, preparing MPMP reporting, insurance survey, and tax sale proceedings.

Councillor Fullerton noted that CBC radio reported that subject to the strong lobby received from the Trailer Park Association, the Provincial Government has postponed **assessing permanent trailers in campgrounds** for one year. The biggest concern is defining what is and is not permanent.

Public Works Report

Installation of **streetlights** at the Little Rapids Road and Highway 129 intersection should be done very soon. Public Works Foreman signed a Hydro One Form authorizing municipal approval for the fixture. H & C Poleline Contractors are expecting approval from Hydro One in the near future to proceed with work.

Public Works Foreman Dumont reported that Engineer Bob Wood of M.R. Wright & Associates will be providing a full report on the alignment and inspection of the **Dean Lake Bridge** within a couple of weeks.

Mr. Dumont reported that he will be meeting with Fire Department and Spectrum 2000 representatives to look at options available for the operation of the **two-way radio communication system** shared by the two departments. He feels there is an alternative way to set the system up whereby it will provide a better complement for the two departments to communicate with each other while not causing interference when interdepartmental communication is not necessary.

Subject to a request received in writing (provided to Council) **to lift the plow wing** when passing in front of a driveway, Foreman Dumont explained the situation to council and provided justification why it is not possible to grant the request. Council concurred.

2004 spring gravel requirements for Wards 1, 2 and 4, as well as a contract for construction in Ward 2, were outlined for Council. It was recommended that pricing for the hauls be requested separately. While there is a significant amount of gravel to be placed in Ward 4, representing a higher percentage of road coverage than in the other wards, it should be noted that it is felt this quantity is required to attract crushing gravel in this area. It may mean that Ward 4 may not be part of the spring gravel contract requirements on an annual basis until the percentages average out.

04-06-06

D. Wedgwood

G. Reeves

THAT we tender to **crush, haul and place gravel** as follows:

1. 4000 cu. yds. of 5/8" Type B Gravel from the Armstrong Pit in Ward 2, with
 - 1(a). 2500 cu. yds. of said material to be hauled and placed on various Municipal roads in Ward 1 and
 - 1(b). 1500 cu. yds. of said material to be hauled and placed on various Municipal roads in Ward 2;
2. 1000 cu. yds. of 5/8" Type B Gravel from the Jerome Pit on Crown Land in Ward 4 with said material to be hauled and placed on various Municipal roads in Ward 4.

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- 04-06-06 (Cont.)** 3. 5000 cu. yds. of 5/8" Type B Gravel from a wayside pit on property owned by Bob Yates on Dunn Farm Trail and to be hauled and placed on Melwel Road in Ward 2;
AND THAT a breakdown of pricing for each of the four hauls be shown on the tender submission.
AND THAT closing time and date for tender is 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 28, 2004. CARRIED.

Councillor Roach commented that he has been asked when the municipality would be done **purchasing equipment**. The answer is never. It is necessary to continue to replace equipment as required from a capital budget – it is part of the business that we are. Council concurred that with any business, there is a requirement to turn over rolling stock.

Foreman Dumont has yet to secure required quotes for repairing **damage to Midway Bridge railing** following a single vehicle accident.

Mr. Dumont advised that subsequent to **Chevis Road** discussion at the February 25th meeting, he had been contacted by another taxpayer indicating that he had made arrangements for delivery of product that required the utilization of Chevis Road. Mr. Dumont contacted five members of Council to advise of the request and recommended that since we had not advertised the road would not be open in winter months, we should proceed to reopen the road. Council members contacted concurred and the road was open. Mr. Dumont reported that it took a total of three hours to plow, wing back banks and to sand the entire stretch. With significant snowfall since the last time the road was plowed, this was a good test to determine the time required if an emergency warranted opening the road. Mr. Dumont recommended that we advertise and not open Chevis Road for the winter season in the future.

- 04-06-07** BE IT RESOLVED that we advertise to advise the public that as of the
D. Ratz end of the 2004 winter season, **Chevis Road will not be maintained in**
A. Roach **the winter season.** CARRIED.

The **Round Barn Road Committee** met on March 17, 2004 and are recommending to Council to permanently close a section of Round Barn adjacent to gravel operations. Legal matters to be addressed in closed session.

Subsequent to access changes resulting from Highway 17 improvements last construction season, **temporary Forest Street** signs have been placed until the permanent signs ordered, are received.

Property required from the Ministry of Transportation for the development of **Industrial Road** has been transferred to the Municipality.

CBO/Planning Report

Wishart Law Firm provided a copy of an Application for Approval of a **Plan of Subdivision** in Ward 1 on **Lake Huron** for VanHavel/Taraniuk/Taraniuk Investments Ltd. Municipal Affairs and Housing will circulate a questionnaire if the application is complete to their satisfaction to proceed.

Final Consent has been received for **File 57-C-020015**, applicant Robert King, formalizing an existing right-of-way for adjacent property owner.

Final Consent has been received for **File 57-C-030003** – Goodmurphy/Pigeau for a lot addition to provide sufficient side yard requirements for a house addition.

Councillor Weber asked what if anything has been done regarding the **hot water tanks stored on a property** on Pine Ridge Road. Mr. Swan reported he has advised the property owner that he is in violation of the zoning By-law for that area of the municipality and must remove the tanks.

There was some discussion regarding **old cars on properties** throughout the municipality. It is hoped that limiting this type of activity can be addressed in the new planning documents.

Councillor Reports

Reeve Linley reported on the East Algoma **Mental Health** Geographic Advisory Group meeting he attended on March 11/04. Group is looking for support to pressure the Provincial

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Government to keep the facility open with sufficient funding to carry out its programs to serve this area.

04-06-08

D. Wedgwood

D. Ratz

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores, **endorse** the Resolution of the Council of the Township of the North Shore in supporting the efforts of the East Algoma Mental Health Geographic Advisory Group **to keep the East Algoma Mental Health Clinic open** and increase base funding for mental health to allow for the continued valuable treatment it provides to the communities from Shedden to Iron Bridge;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to MPP Mike Brown, Township of the North Shore and Bob Renault, Chair, East Algoma Mental Health Geographic Advisory Group. CARRIED.

Reeve Linley advised Council that at the above noted meeting he had received a hand written note from MPP Mike Brown advising that **MTO** has reported to him that they will be providing **financial assistance** to Huron Shores to cover the cost **overrun on the Industrial Road entrance** attributed to the highway improvements.

Councillor Fullerton attended the meeting on March 24th to establish the **not-for-profit corporation** that will run the Algoma Manor. The transition board to establish the corporation is comprised of Management Board representatives Brent Rankin, Lila Cyr, Elwood McKinnon and members of the public, Donna Latulippe, Lynn Watson and John Fullerton. Mr. Fullerton advised the group had discussed the time frame they must work within as well as the make-up and selection of the board members, anticipating a seven member board. There are three pieces of Provincial legislation they must work under to satisfy all requirements to operate a nursing home. The Board of Management has contracted a legal firm to prepare legal documents to establish the corporation. Audit and legal services for the board will be tendered. In the interim, a legal firm has been contracted by the Board of Management to prepare initial legal documents. Three ad-hoc committees were established to review by-laws for operations, human resources requirements and financial structure. All 7 members will be involved in setting up the financial structure. The next meeting is to be held April 8th.

Councillor Fullerton asked if Council was agreeable to use the names of the former municipalities wherever possible, when referencing the wards for Huron Shores in order to preserve our heritage, especially when issuing municipal publications such as the newsletter. Council discussed that at public meetings held prior to amalgamation, it was conveyed to constituents that it was important that we protect the **identity of the former municipalities** and that the new municipality would protect that interest.

Councillor Wedgwood reported on the **Water Power Management** meeting he attended in Sault Ste. Marie this date. An Open House is being held May 26th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Lions Hall in Iron Bridge. Mr. Wedgwood encouraged Council members to attend and to encourage members from the public to also attend. It is important to be present to ensure our interests are being addressed and protected. Council asked that the Open House be added to Announcements and Inquires for May Agenda and to prepare posters to distribute throughout the municipality.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES / CLERK'S REPORT

Public Works Foreman is attending a Waste Disposal Site Management Workshop in Sudbury March 25 and 26.

Consideration is being given to attending a Municipal Class Environment Assessment Workshop, in North Bay. This workshop is recommended for both engineering/public works and planning personnel.

The spring AMCTO – Zone Workshop is to be held April 14, 15, 16 in North Bay.

Glenn Tunnock is available to meet with Council on either March 31/04 or April 21, 2004 to discuss preliminary Draft Official Plan and **planning process**.

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04-06-09 THAT we hold a **Special Meeting** of Council on Wednesday, March 31, 2004, 7:00 p.m., to address the **Draft Official Plan and zoning documents** and implementation procedure with Glenn Tunnock.
G. Reeves
D. Wedgwood CARRIED.

Councillor Dallimore advised that he had spoken with the Jaehrlings from Bruce Mines, Consultants providing **strategic plans** and business plan services. He asked them to provide a ballpark estimate to develop a strategic plan for Huron Shores.

GENERAL BUSINESS

04-06-10 THAT we authorize the **Ambassador of Huron Shores Committee** to maintain an individual **web site and email address** with web content to be approved by Council, providing any associated expenses be approved via yearly budget deliberations.
A. Roach
D. Dallimore CARRIED.

04-06-11 THAT we authorize the Fire Department to use **Fire Department letterhead** bearing the Huron Shores logo.
K. Weber
G. Reeves CARRIED.

04-06-12 THAT **By-law #04-12** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter Into an Agreement to provide Fire Services to the Thessalon First Nation** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of March, 2004.
J. Fullerton
D. Ratz CARRIED.

04-06-13 THAT we enter into discussions with **Thessalon First Nation** to update the **Fire Protection Service Agreement**.
D. Dallimore
D. Ratz CARRIED.

A letter will be sent to the Thessalon First Nation as required by the agreement, to advise that we wish to review our agreement to provide Fire Protection.

04-06-14 THAT **By-law #04-13**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter Into An Agreement with Central Ambulance Communications Centre to Extend Current Contract for Fire Dispatch Services** for another three years, ending March 31, 2007 for a fee in the amount of 840.00 per year.
D. Wedgwood
A. Roach CARRIED.

It was noted that the **price** for Forest Fire Protection with the **Ministry of Natural Resources** has **increased from 87 to 91 cents per hectare** since the 2000 Agreement. The Fire Department has not recommended any changes of boundaries for the Municipal and Crown Protection areas.

04-06-15 THAT **By-law #04-14** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter Into an Agreement to the Ministry of Natural Resources for Forest Fire Protection** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of March, 2004.
D. Dallimore
A. Roach CARRIED.

04-06-16 THAT **By-law #04-15** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Authorize Fire Department participation in Algoma District Mutual Aid Program** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of March, 2004.
K. Weber
D. Wedgwood CARRIED.

Councillor Reeves reported that the Fire Department is investigating how it might provide footwear for fire fighters, other than turn-out gear boots, suitable for fighting forest, grass and brush fires. This will be addressed during budget deliberations.

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- 04-06-17**
G. Reeves
K. Weber
- THAT we authorize Clerk Deborah Tonelli to submit the **HRDC Application** for the **Huron Shores IT Project** to include one project coordinator, one computer applications specialist and one computer technical assistant at a total cost to the Municipality not to exceed \$2,000.
CARRIED.
- 04-06-18**
D. Ratz
D. Dallimore
- BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we appoint **John Fullerton** as this municipality's **voting delegate to the Area 5 Representative selection** meeting for the Algoma District Homes for the Aged Board, to be held Monday, March 29, 2004.
CARRIED.
- 04-06-19**
D. Wedgwood
A. Roach
- BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we endorse the appointment of **Lila Cyr** as the **Area 4 Representative** to the Algoma District Homes for the Aged Management Board.
CARRIED.
- 04-06-20**
D. Wedgwood
A. Roach
- THAT we authorize an **application for Celebrate Canada Funding** for the Ambassador of Huron Shores Program in the amount of \$1,425.00
CARRIED.
- 04-06-21**
D. Dallimore
A. Roach
- THAT **By-law #04-16** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter Into an Agreement with Matthew Scott to provide cleaning services at the Day & Bright Recreation and Community Centre** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of March, 2004.
CARRIED.
- 04-06-22**
D. Ratz
D. Dallimore
- THAT further to Resolution No. 03-25-20 we **extend** further the **Cleaning Contract** provided by Wedgwood Cleaning Services to April 30, 2004.
CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

- 9-1. Ministry of Culture... / Summer Experience Program.
9-2. City of Kawartha Lakes / Current Value Assessment resolution.
9-3. City of Kawartha Lakes / Limiting Powers of the Ontario Municipal Board resolution.
9-4. City of Kawartha Lakes / Disconnection of Electricity in the Winter by Hydro One resolution.
9-5. Bruce Mines Agricultural Society / request for donation.
Assistant Clerk will verify if donation was made from Thessalon Township in the past.
- 9-6. County of Hastings / vital Statistics database - births and deaths notices - resolution.
9-7. Blind River District Health Centre / Recruitment Committee Meeting - March 30, 2004.
- 04-06-23**
G. Reeves
D. Ratz
- THAT **Councillor Wedgwood attend** the March 30th Meeting, organized by the Blind River District Health Centre, to discuss **physician recruitment** and retention issues.
CARRIED.
- 9-8. District Homes / Algoma Manor not-for-profit corporation establishment-Meeting, March 24/04.
- 04-06-24**
D. Ratz
D. Dallimore
- THAT Councillor **John Fullerton** be appointed to **attend the not-for-profit corporation** meetings to redevelop Algoma Manor.
CARRIED.
- 9-9. Iron Bridge Lions Club / Request for funding assistance.
This request will be considered with **2004 budget** deliberations.
- 9-10. Laird Signs / requesting Council's assistance in securing high speed internet service.
Clerk Tonelli advised she had spoken with Darlene Walsh of Adnet to have Emile Malvaso attend a Council meeting to discuss **ADnet's progress with providing high-speed internet**

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service to this area. There are indications that Bell and Persona will soon be providing high-speed service in this area.

9-11. Twp of Sables-Spanish Rivers / Support Resolution to ensure financial support through Northern Ontario Heritage Fund for Agriculture Sector.

9-12. Algoma District Municipal Application Service (ADMAS) – Presentation on Vadim Software, Blind River Marina April 13, 2004 1:00 p.m.

Clerk advised that we do not have staff available to attend the session in Blind River. ADMAS has advised they would be willing to make a presentation at this office, possibly the week of May 17.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

10-7. Sci-Tech Ontario / request to proclaim March Young Scientist Month.

10-7. Ministry of Energy / establishment of Conservation Action Team.

10-7. Ministry of Transportation / response to letter re school cross walk safety concerns.

10-7. Township of South Stormont / request approval of a Private Bill to empower the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association to govern its members and grant designations.

10-7. City of Elliot Lake / support of Patten Post Regional Fund request for Algoma Manor Redevelopment Project.

10-7. Algoma District Services Administration Board / Annual Meeting – April 22/04.

10-7. Ontario Municipal Board / Township of Michipicoten appeal to OMB re: apportionment for Algoma Manor Home for the Aged.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Dale Wedgwood – **Home and School** asking to use Arena for a **day free of charge** for A play Day.

Councils supports this initiative and recommends the day free of charge upon Arena Board approval. Councillor Wedgwood will pass this on to the Arena Board. Discussion ensued on how to show that some of the annual costs for operating the Arena and other recreation centres are attributed to providing the facilities for these types of free functions which are important to our constituents and which service the general public.

CLOSED SESSION

04-06-25

G. Reeves

K. Weber

THAT we proceed **in Camera** at 10:28 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

The receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

AND THAT Assistant Clerk Beverly Eagleson remain in attendance.
CARRIED.

04-06-26

G. Reeves

D. Wedgwood

THAT we **return to Open Session** at 10:53 p.m.

CARRIED.

04-06-27

D. Ratz

J. Fullerton

WHEREAS in the interest of public safety, Council deems it advisable to stop up and close a section of public road that runs between two properties on which mineral extraction operations are active;

THAT we proceed with advertising to **stop up and close the Section of Round Barn Road** from just west of 10 Round Barn Road to intersection of Brownlee Road;

AND THAT said closure will be finalized upon the Municipality entering into an agreement to sell the material in the said portion of road, to the company conducting extraction operations.
CARRIED.

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04-06-28
D. Dallimore
A. Roach

THAT we do **adjourn** at 10:55 p.m.

CARRIED.

REEVE

CLERK