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The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, March 9, 2005 and called to order by Mayor Linley at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Ted Linley; Councillors Gord Campbell, Fred Eldner, John Fullerton, David Ratz, Gil Reeves, Archie Roach, Kent Weber; and Dale Wedgwood; and Clerk Deborah Tonelli.

ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont, Assistant Clerk Beverly Eagleson

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

05-06-01 THAT we adopt the **minutes** of the Regular Meeting of Council held
G. Reeves Wednesday, February 23, 2004 as circulated.
D. Ratz CARRIED.

05-06-02 THAT **By-law #05-11**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the
D. Wedgwood Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council
F. Eldner Meeting held on February 23, 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 9th day of March, 2005. CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

05-06-03 THAT we approve payment of the **General Accounts**, excluding items of
G. Campbell Pecuniary Interest, for the period from February 24, to March 9, 2005 in
A. Roach the amount of **\$91,094.34**. CARRIED.

05-06-04 THAT we approve payment of **Wedgwood Cleaning Services Account**
G. Campbell in the amount of **\$875.50**. CARRIED.
A. Roach PECUNIARY INTEREST: Dale Wedgwood

05-06-05 THAT we approve payment of **Village General Store Account** in the
A. Roach amount of **\$1,025.46**. CARRIED.
F. Eldner PECUNIARY INTEREST: E. W. Linley

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Joyce Traubert and Corrie Edwards attended, representing the **Arena Board**. The issue brought forward, was **use of the Arena property** by the Agricultural Society. Clerk Tonelli provided a copy of the Agreement that was registered on title at the time the Agricultural Society turned the property over to the Lions Club and a subsequent agreement when the Lions Club turned the property over to the Village of Iron Bridge. The Arena Board representatives stated that the Board did not have any objection to the use of the arena for the Fall Fair and the Annual Quilt Show, but are of the opinion that when other fund-raising events are held by the Agricultural Society, there should be a fee paid to help offset operating costs for utility use. The Arena Board and the Agricultural Society will meet to discuss in an attempt to resolve the matter. Council will consider this information and await results of the meeting of the two groups before intervening in a decision.

Corrie Edwards commended Treasury Department for the excellent financial reports. They are very accurate, easy to understand and are received in a timely manner. It is very much appreciated.

There was some discussion on the stage. Clerk Tonelli verified with the representatives that the Arena Board does not have a problem with the stage being stored at the arena but there isn't room for any additional stage components.

Colin Trivers attended regarding the Draft Subdivision Agreement for **Island View Estates**. He attended Solicitor Peter Bortolussi's office this date, but was not provided with a Subdivision Agreement. He provided draft 1R and 1M plans as well as a draft Drainage and Storm Water Management Plan. He hopes to have all finalized in the near future. Clerk Tonelli asked if Mr.

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Trivers was comfortable representing the Municipality as our Drainage Superintendent to approve the plans he will be providing as Agent for the developer of this subdivision. Mr. Trivers advised that he didn't have a problem as long as Council didn't. Mr. Trivers hopes to have a subdivision agreement to us next week in order that the Committee of Councillors Fullerton, Ratz and Weber can review. It will have to be forwarded to our solicitor for review as well.

Mr. Trivers advised that as Drainage Superintendent he planned on attending the workshop on **Rural Municipal Drainage** & Calculating drainage Act Assessments to be held in Sudbury on April 11 and 12.

GENERAL BUSINESS

8-1 Reports and Action

Treasurer's Report:

05-06-06	THAT we accept the Minutes of Settlement from MPAC for Taxation as follows:
K. Weber	
G. Reeves	
	57 24 000 008 32204 0000 RT 2004 From 42,000 to RT 25,500
	57 24 000 015 05900 0000 RT 2004 From 58,000 to RT 49,000
	57 24 000 015 05900 0000 RT 2005 From 58,000 to RT 49,000
	57 24 000 002 19101 0000 RT 2004 From 56,000 to RT 47,500
	57 24 000 002 19101 0000 RT 2005 From 56,000 to RT 47,500
	57 24 000 015 13500 0000 RT 2004 From 108,000 to RT 68,000
	57 24 000 015 13500 0000 RT 2005 From 108,000 to RT 68,000
	57 24 000 005 01200 0000 RT 2004 From 58,000 to RT 50,000
	57 24 000 005 01200 0000 RT 2005 From 58,000 to RT 50,000
	57 24 000 005 07100 0000 RT 2004 From 20,500 to RT 12,500
	57 24 000 005 07100 0000 RT 2005 From 20,500 to RT 12,500
	57 24 000 008 07200 0000 RT 2004 From 109,000 to RT 98,000
	57 24 000 008 07200 0000 RT 2005 From 109,000 to RT 98,000
	57 24 000 008 17900 0000 RT 2004 From 68,000 to RT 61,000
	57 24 000 008 17900 0000 RT 2005 From 68,000 to RT 61,000
	57 24 000 016 12900 0000 RT 2004 From 61,000 to RT 47,000
	57 24 000 016 12900 0000 RT 2005 From 61,000 to RT 47,000
	57 24 000 017 12000 0000 RT 2004 From 76,000 to RT 37,500
	57 24 000 018 08001 0000 RT 2004 From 96,000 to RT 86,000
	57 24 000 018 08001 0000 RT 2005 From 96,000 to RT 86,000
	CARRIED.

Public Works Report:

Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont advised that he had not received any contact from Council regarding the **5-year road plan** since the February 9th meeting. There was some further discussion on the 5-year road plan including the priorities in Ward 2, how costs attached to projects were arrived at and if there would be an advantage to having engineers calculate the estimates. It was reported that the 5-year plan is intended as a guide and will change if an unforeseen priority or failure presents itself. It was stated that Council's role in the 5-year plan should be to determine whether the tasks in the plan are the ones we desire to undertake and if they are in an acceptable priority. Estimated costs are to be determined by staff. Mr. Dumont invited Council members to provide him with their thoughts and ideas in writing for each ward in order that those ideas can be digested and considered in conjunction with Public Works objectives through the Plan recommendations. There was discussion on whether consideration should be given to cease winter maintenance on the portion of Melwel Road from Melwel Lodge to Club House Road and moving the proposed work on that portion of road to future years.

A letter was received from Corridor Management Officer Susan McCooeye regarding the **illumination at Little Rapids** / Highway 129 intersection. In addition, a copy of a letter from Mr. Don Dallimore to the Minister of Transportation was on hand. The problem with the

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recently installed pole is that it is on MTO property and must be moved further away from the intersection. Council asked staff to investigate what the cost would be to install lighting according to the MTO highway corridor regulations, prior to relocating the present installation. Clerk will contact Susan McCooye to reaffirm that we are not in conflict with MTO regarding the light location and will submit a letter if necessary. Council and staff confirmed that it is unfortunate that this project has become somewhat cumbersome and has not been completed to date, but it is a work in progress.

Correspondence from MTO Traffic Section, advises that **illumination at Basswood Lake Road** intersection of Highway 17 will require a minimum of two luminaries conforming to MTO standards. Staff will get an estimate for lighting this intersection as well.

Clerk's Report:

Clerk Tonelli reported on a presentation made by Sault Ste. Marie regarding participation in the Household **Hazardous Waste** program in Sault Ste. Marie. The Town of Blind River has allowed this municipality to participate in their one-day program offered every two years, for a fee and will continue with that venue for now.

Clerk was advised by Mark Derry, of the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office, that we have met all requirements for the survey conducted by their office and that the Fire Marshal will be handing out certificates at the Fire Education Conference in North Bay. As Fire Prevention Officer, Mr. Swan was tasked with completing the **Municipal Fire Protection Information Survey** work and will be receiving the certificate at the Conference on behalf of the Municipality. Congratulations to Mr. Swan on a job well done.

GeoSmart Initiative

The Committee has authorized release of the Request for Proposal, the objectives of which are:

- create data structures for municipal and utilities data through workshops with staff;
- populate all data structures through office and field data capture;
- implement an ASP based GIS solution, using the hardware and software already in place within the Wawa Northern Technology and GeoMetrics Cooperative GIS data warehouse, to improve local government efficiency, develop local economic development initiatives and increase public access to information;
- allow partnering communities to develop GIS capabilities at economies of scale while improving the GIS and IT skill sets within the region;
- create a central GIS editing hub in Blind River to support all data editing and maintenance capabilities of all partner communities.

The FedNor grant has not yet been approved, but the GeoSmart one-year clock started running on February 18, 2005, and we must proceed with the project in order to meet that funding deadline.

Clerk reported on training, education and workshops to be attended by various staff members.

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Fullerton gave an **update on the Algoma Manor Redevelopment Project** and that further funding is necessary to proceed with redevelopment plans. All funding has to be in place to satisfy Ministry of Health before the project can move forward. There is some indication that 80 beds and not 64 will be required. The Algoma Manor Not-for-Profit Corporation and The Board of Management are looking at all options to determine the most feasible approach. A letter was on hand from the Not-for-Profit Corporation asking for one of the six communities involved to take the lead role in making application for funding under the OSIFA loan program. The Not-for-Profit Board has not been incorporated long enough to make application. Clerk Tonelli recommended that Treasurer Leach be provided an opportunity to research the OSIFA program prior to responding to this request.

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8-2. Tally Ho Park Lighting Resolution

05-06-07 THAT we Rescind Resolution #04-30-17 and authorize the purchase of 3
D. Wedgwood **luminaries** with accompanying arms, for **Tally Ho Park**, for a price not
G. Reeves to exceed \$4,500.00 including taxes, shipping and handling. CARRIED.

8-3. Stage: - Ambassador of Huron Shores Committee request
- Iron Bridge Agricultural Society position

The Iron Bridge Agricultural Society responded by letter that they will stand by the original agreement to repay the dollars owed for the purchase of the **collapsible stage** purchased jointly with the Ambassador of Huron Shores Program. However if the Ambassador Committee should be forgiven for their share of the bridge financing, the Agricultural Society would also like to be forgiven.

Council requested that this be considered with the 2005 budget review and that Treasurer Leach investigate how this could best be dealt with in order that the municipality forgive the outstanding balance for both groups in order that the Municipality would own the stage outright, which would make the stage a Municipal Asset that could be rented to various committees and agencies for various functions throughout the municipality.

8-4. Municipal Wage Survey

Clerk Tonelli asked if she could meet with Human Resources Commissioners to determine how they want the **survey information** that has been collected, compiled for their purposes in reviewing **salaries and wages**.

8-5. Council Honorarium

Council discussed the **Council Honouraria** survey results provided by Tarbutt and Tarbutt Additional Township and by comparison our councillor remuneration is well below that of other North Shore communities and will consider an increase in Councillor remuneration in the 2005 budget review to bring remuneration more in line with our neighbours.

The discussion led to **Pay Equity and Organizational Review** discussion. Clerk Tonelli advised that the Pay Equity Consultant hopes to have a draft Pay Equity Plan posted by the first part of April.

Mayor Linley outlined the number of projects we have been working on and involved in to date and reminded Council of the projects that have been undertaken due to provincial requirements and that we're only capable of doing so much at one time. He discussed the fact that the Organizational Review was to have been a component of developing a Strategic Plan and that perhaps we have to look at securing funding programs before we consider this type of expenditure. Clerk is to check with Shawn Heard of the Community Futures Development Corporation to see what funding may be available through that agency and/or through FEDNOR and what assistance CFDC may be able to provide for this type of project.

8-6. Day & Bright Recreation and Community Centre Board request to change name

05-06-08 THAT we change the name of the Day & Bright Recreation and
D. Ratz Community Centre Board to **Day & Bright Community Centre and**
F. Eldner **Heritage Board.** CARRIED.

8-7. Advertisement for creation of Huron Shores Heritage Committee

05-06-09 THAT we place an Advertisement in the North Shore Sentinel asking that
A. Roach anyone interested in sitting on a Huron Shores **Heritage Committee** to
D. Ratz submit their names to the Municipal Office within 2 weeks of
advertisement posting;
AND THAT subject to receiving ample interest from the community,
Council will investigate the possibility of creating a Huron Shores
Heritage Committee. CARRIED.

8-8. Request to purchase portion of "Water Street" fronting property.

Clerk advised that she has contacted the Ministry of Transportation to determine if access to Highway 17 is permitted which will determine whether the unopened road allowance identified

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as **Water Street** will be the only public access to these lots. This item will be brought back to a future agenda upon receiving information from the Ministry.

8-9. Organizational Review

Clerk will contact Shawn Heard of CFDC and Cathy Jensen of MNDM to possibly set a special meeting to discuss doing a **Strategic Plan along with an Organizational Review**. Clerk will also check to see if it would be appropriate to have FEDNOR at this initial meeting.

8-10. Councillor Training Seminar - Module 2, North Bay.

05-06-10 THAT further to Resolution #05-05-16, we authorize Councillor Reeves
D. Ratz to attend Module 3 of the **Councillor Training Seminar** to be held in
J. Fullerton North Bay April 15, 2005.

CARRIED.

This is in addition to the Module 2 approved at the February 23rd meeting.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

9-1. Resolution Hospital Funding

9-2. Township of St. Clair – Support Resolution ~ Problem of Farm Viability

9-3. AMO Alert – Input is Needed on Illegal & Orphan Scrap Tire Piles

9-4. Algoma Family Services –Resolution seeking support to petition Provincial Gov't. to secure funding to support children's mental health services.

05-06-11 WHEREAS **Children's Mental Health Ontario** promotes, supports and
G. Reeves strengthens a sustainable system of mental health services for children,
D. Wedgwood youth and their families;
AND WHEREAS last year treatment for thousands of children was disrupted and compromised because children's mental health agencies in Ontario lost 212.6 FTE positions due to funding constraints;
AND WHEREAS children and youth in Ontario must wait an average of 5 months for mental health treatment;
AND WHEREAS there are currently over 200 children on Algoma Family Services waiting lists where it is not uncommon for children and youth to wait up to a year for a psychological assessment and required treatment services;
AND WHEREAS a one-time injection of 3% to base budgets, though appreciated after 12 years of no increase, is simply not adequate to enable agencies to maintain existing staff or services;
AND WHEREAS it is important that children in treatment be able to create and sustain trusting relationships with their child and youth workers, social workers, psychologists and other treatment team members,
AND WHEREAS any reform efforts will fail unless there is more funding for existing core services;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Huron Shores request that Province of Ontario to secure further funding for that purpose.
CARRIED.

9-5. Persona - 2005 Grant.

05-06-12 THAT we obtain quotes for accessibility **ramps** at the Iron Bridge Arena
K. Weber and the Thessalon Township Community Centre in order to consider
G. Reeves making application for funding to the Persona Communications Community Investment Assistance Program.
CARRIED.

9-6. Northeastern Ontario Rural Network / Meeting - March 21, 2005, Wawa.
As no one is available to attend, Clerk will arrange to receive minutes from the meeting.

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9-7. Blind River Chamber of Commerce - **Business Retention & Expansion Meeting** - March 10/05.

Clerk Tonelli will attend this first meeting and will report to Council what will be required to get this project underway.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

- 10-1. AMO – AMO Responds to the Places to Grow Act
- 10-2. AMO – AMO Report to Members: Recent MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the Province
- 10-3. AMO New Release – Plan to Replace \$656 Million Community Reinvestment Fund Appears to Leave Province's Bills Unpaid in 2004
- 10-4. AMO Alert – Premier Commits to Reconsidering CRF Decision
- 10-5. Jerry Ouellette MPP – Important Amendments to Bill 106, The Budget Measures Act, 2004
- 10-6. L. McCaig-OPP ~ OPP Bound 2005 Program
- 10-7. AMO Alert – Municipalities Make Gains in Federal Budget
- 10-8. Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing – The Greenbelt Act, 2005
- 10-9. Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration – Ontario Volunteer Service Awards
- 10-10. Ministry of Northern Development and Mines – Northern Ontario Grow Bonds Brochures
- 10-11. Power Workers' Union - Ontario's Energy Crunch: Why Phasing out Coal is an Unwise Strategy.
- 10-12. Ministry of Agriculture and Food – Agricultural Drainage Infrastructure Program.
- 10-13. Premier Dalton McGuinty - copy of remarks delivered in Ontario Legislature Feb. 17/05.
- 10-14. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario / acknowledgment of receipt of letter - will review and provide response shortly.
- 10-15. Algoma District Services Administration Board / 2005 Budget Overview, etc.
- 10-16. Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services / approval of JEPP amendment request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Fullerton asked what the Municipality could do to change the status of the Ministry of Transportation refusing commercial zoning along the **Highway 17 corridor**. Staff advised that the Municipality cannot contravene Provincial jurisdiction and until the rules and regulations change for the Controlled Access Highway Corridor, there is nothing the municipality can do to override those regulations.

CLOSED SESSION

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| 05-06-13
<i>D. Ratz</i>
<i>G. Reeves</i> | THAT we proceed in Camera at 10:19 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:
A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
<div style="text-align: right;">CARRIED.</div> |
| 05-06-14
<i>D. Ratz</i>
<i>A. Roach</i> | THAT we return to Open Session at 10:21 p.m.
<div style="text-align: right;">CARRIED.</div> |

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THAT we do adjourn at 10:25 p.m.

CARRIED.

K. Weber
G. Reeves

MAYOR

CLERK