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The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2004 and called to order by Reeve Ted Linley at 7:00 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Janice Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Lavigne; By-law Enforcement Officer Dale Swan; Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont; Assistant Clerk Beverly Eagleson.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Dale Wedgwood – Wedgwood Cleaning Services
Ted Linley – Village General Store

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

04-10-01 THAT we adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held
D. Ratz Wednesday, April 28, 2004 as circulated.
G. Reeves CARRIED.

Councillor Ratz had asked at the last meeting to see a comparison of contracting out work as opposed to costs for in-kind work to be completed by the municipality. The response at the time was that the municipality's contribution to the project committed to in-kind work not dollar contributions. Mr. Ratz will attend at the office to review the application.

04-10-02 THAT **By-law #04-23**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the
D. Wedgwood Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council
G. Reeves Meeting held on April 28, 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 12th day of May, 2004.
CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

Staff answered questions regarding accounts.

Reeve Linley asked that Council members contact the office prior to Council meetings to discuss accounts/ invoice questions with the Treasurer or respective department head in an effort to save time at the meeting.

04-10-03 THAT we rescind General Accounts Resolution 04-09-05;
K. Weber AND THAT we approve payment of General Accounts, excluding items
D.Ratz of Pecuniary Interest, for the period from April 15 to April 28, in the
amount of **\$348,079.09** CARRIED.

04-10-04 THAT we approve payment of the General Accounts, excluding items of
D. Wedgwood Pecuniary Interest, for the period from April 29 to May 12, 2004 in the
G. Campbell amount of **\$63,869.13**. CARRIED.

04-10-05 THAT we approve payment of **Wedgwood Cleaning Services** Account in
D. Ratz the amount of **\$175.27**. CARRIED.
D. Dallimore Pecuniary Interest: Dale Wedgwood – Wedgwood Cleaning Services.

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Janice Brown attended the meeting to **request a Building Permit** on her property to allow a porch/mud/laundry room addition to her house. The property is within the area designated as

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flood prone in the joint Iron Bridge/Day & Bright Joint Official Plan. She advised that staff had told her that building is not permitted in the flood prone designation of the subject planning document. Mrs. Brown advised that they are willing to comply with any conditions Council may wish to impose and are also willing to sign a waiver. This issue was on the agenda of April 28th meeting and subsequently Council asked that the Clerk contact our solicitor to obtain a legal opinion on permitting the addition. Solicitor Fred Dean advised that as the Official Plan states that building is not permitted in the flood prone lands, and an official Plan Amendment must be undertaken to change the designation on the property. In order to do this, Municipal Affairs must approve the amendment and would in all likelihood require documentation proving that the land is no longer prone to flooding. In order to provide this proof, money would have to be spent on engineering costs to determine whether the flood plain has changed and if so, where the flood elevation has changed to. When asked by Mrs. Brown why a new home and another building were allowed to be built, it was explained that the new home had been given the blessing of the Council of the former Village of Iron Bridge and at the time the permit was issued, the copy of the Official Plan being used in this office did not have attached to it, the amendments required by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs in order to have Ministry approval granted. Those amendments restrict building in flood prone land. A copy of the amendments to the Plan was not provided to this office until 2003. At that time it was discovered that the approved plan did not allow for any building in lands designated as flood prone. In essence the permit was issued without Council or staff having all of the information available to make an informed decision. Mr. Swan advised that the outbuilding permit issued was justified in the sense that it was replacing a building to be torn down and the building would not have living (i.e. bedrooms) space in it. Staff advised that even if a waiver was to be signed, issuing the Permit is in contravention of the Official Plan requirements. The Official Plan applies to the entire flood prone lands identified on the mapping attached to the plan. There was discussion on whether the municipality should contact an engineer to obtain an estimate to look at where the flood plain currently exists subsequent to the rip rap work conducted by Hydro One after the 1979 flood. Council advised Mrs. Brown that they would have an answer for her by the next day.

Mr. & Mrs. Lavigne attended Council to request **an increase in maintenance on Lavigne Road** in Ward 4, Thompson Township. They advised that they weren't asking for a lot of dollars to be spent, but enough that would allow them to get into their property when they return from wintering in the south. The Lavignes advised that while this is now their permanent residence, they do not live here in the winter months. They reported that they had brought their motor home in this spring and sunk in mud to the axles. They made it clear that they were not asking that the road be opened in the winter, were requesting some minimal upgrade that would allow them spring to fall access and more than one grading per summer. Mr. Lavigne advised Council that a number of years ago they had researched and provided documentation determining that the road was a public road by virtue of having public funds expended and had been maintained by the Ministry of Transportation. Reeve Linley read a letter written by Thompson Township advising that there would be some maintenance on the road if a sufficient turn-around for equipment was provided. Public Works Foreman Dumont advised that the road is a sand base and unfortunately for the Lavigne's the trailer was brought in sooner than spring road conditions in sand, would allow. He advised Council that in order to maintain it even for minimal summer maintenance, the road would need gravel and some ditching. There virtually isn't any roadbed to grade. Council concurred that the road should have some minor work done to improve spring and fall accessibility. It was reported that an area had been cleared at the end of the road of sufficient size to allow equipment to turn around. Councillor Campbell provided a brief history on the maintenance of the subject road and how it came to be municipally maintained.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Leach was not in attendance at the meeting. Subsequent to Council's question on **travel expenditures** in previous budgets, she had prepared for Council a report showing a calculation of approximately \$451.00/month utilizing the mileage paid out in 2003. Council asked that in conjunction with 2004 budget deliberations, consideration be given to applying this amount to either purchase or lease of a vehicle for both meeting/seminar travel as well as Building Official/Municipal Law Enforcement services.

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On-line Property Assessment Reports show that 36 properties under Assessment Review Board appeals and 96 properties under Requests for Reconsideration are at risk for assessment loss that affect either or both 2003 and 2004 taxation. Based on this **At Risk Assessment Loss**, budget allocation for tax write-offs will have to be increased for 2004. The number of potential changes this year have well surpassed anything ever experienced in the past.

04-10-06 THAT we accept the **Minutes of Settlement** from MPAC for Taxation as follows:
D. Ratz
D.Dallimore 57 24 000 002 00400 0000 RT 2004 From 100,000 to RT 50,800
 57 24 000 002 00400 0000 FT 2004 From 0 to FT 49,200
 57 24 000 002 18100 0000 RT 2004 From 10,700 to RT 0
 57 24 000 002 18100 0000 FT 2004 From 0 to FT 10,700
 CARRIED.

Public Works Report:

Public Works Foreman Dumont reviewed the items, cost per and total prices for items tendered in the East Algoma Road Superintendent Association amalgamated tender.

04-10-07 THAT we accept the 2004 amalgamated tender prices as follows:
J. Fullerton Surface Treatment MSO Construction Ltd. \$83,738.20
A. Roach Blades Champion Road Machinery \$ 3,917.59
 Culverts Armtec Ltd. \$20,310.15
 High Performance
 Cold Mix QPR-Division of Lafarge \$ 2,813.48
 Calcium General Chemical \$61,452.37
 Office Supplies Grand & Toy \$ 956.80
 Signs Northern Pipe Supply \$ 441.60
 For a grand total of \$173,630.18 including all applicable taxes.
 CARRIED.

Councillor Ratz asked if an individual was able to purchase a **culvert** through the price quoted in the amalgamated tender. He was advised that the municipality does not desire to compete with the private sector for retail and therefore does not purchase culverts for re-sale.

Public Works Foreman advised that the **new tandem truck** will be ready to be picked up in North Bay in approximately 1 to 1 ½ weeks. He recommended advertising the old truck for sale in August and to liquidate by September.

04-10-08 THAT we declare, as of September 1, 2004, the **1991 International Tandem Truck** including plow equipment, as **surplus** equipment;
A. Roach AND THAT we advertise same for sale, with safety certification, in August 2004.
D. Wedgwood CARRIED.

Public Works Foreman Dumont advised that they are ready to proceed with the **riprap work** along the roadside of **River Road** to prevent erosion. It is anticipated that this season's work should finalize the rip rap along this section of road. Wayside pits for the broken rock will be established in Brian Whelan and Shirley Naughton properties. Mr. Dumont briefly outlined the ditching work to be carried out in this area as well, using the ditching material to establish berms along the roadside in areas where the road runs very close to the river.

04-10-09 THAT **By-law #04-24** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores for the purpose of establishing an **Agreement to purchase gravel from a Wayside Pit on property owned by Brian Whelan**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 12th day of May, 2004.
K. Weber CARRIED.
G. Reeves

04-10-10 THAT **By-law #04-25** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores for the purpose of establishing an **Agreement to purchase gravel from a Wayside Pit on property owned by Shirley Naughton**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 12th day of May, 2004.
D. Ratz CARRIED.
A. Roach

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A. Roach

D. Wedgwood

THAT **By-law #04-26**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Stop Up and Close a Portion of Round Barn Road**, between Brownlee Road and Highway 17 was read a first time in open Council this 12th day of May, 2004;

AND THAT subsequent to signing an Agreement with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., regarding the subject lands, this by-law will be given subsequent and final readings. CARRIED.

Prior to giving the by-law final reading, staff will proceed with working with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd. to finalize an **agreement** for material in the road and with adjacent property owners to take ownership of the portion of road to be closed.

Public Works Foreman Dumont reported that again repairs were required on the **one-ton service truck** in Iron Bridge. He questions whether the unit will pass the annual safety certification this fall and recommended that serious consideration be given to replacing the vehicle. Mr. Dumont advised that if a choice had to be made between a tag-along and a service truck, it was his recommendation that the service truck take precedence. There was some discussion on the unit, and type of unit required for the work. Council asked that the budget committee leave both items in the 2004 budget for calculating the preliminary tax rate.

04-10-12

D. Wedgwood

G. Campbell

THAT we authorize Public Works Foreman to **investigate replacement** of the 1988 GMC **One-ton truck**.

CARRIED.

Public Works Foreman Dumont reported that occasionally there is substantial **wood waste accumulation at waste disposal sites** and he requires the assistance of the fire department with their equipment and manpower to assist in burning the debris safely. The fire department has agreed to attend, provided there is a fee for service for the fire fighters time. Mr. Dumont advised that this may only be required a few times in any given year, depending on restricted fire zones and spring accumulations.

04-10-13

K. Weber

G. Reeves

WHEREAS from time to time the **wood waste product to be burned at the Huron Shores Waste Disposal Sites** accumulates to significant amounts;

AND WHEREAS the Public Works Foreman may consider burning to be risky with the limited training of the public works personnel and limited fire fighting equipment owned by the Waste Site Department;

AND WHEREAS the Fire Department has all of the appropriate equipment to prevent spread of the fire;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Public Works Foreman be authorized to seek the assistance of the Fire Department for burning that he considers requires the assistance of trained fire fighters and fire department equipment;

AND THAT the Fire Department members attending said burns be compensated at a rate of \$20.00/hour per firefighter. CARRIED.

Mr. Dumont has again been in touch with Bob Wood, P. Eng., with M. R. Wright & Associates to secure the **report on Dean Lake Bridge**. Mr. Wood advised that he will be providing the report but did not provide a date.

Installation of a **streetlight at Little Rapids Road** is still in the works.

Investigation into a remedy to resolve **radio communication difficulties** are revealing figures more costly than present budget limits allow. Alternatives are still being considered.

There was positive comment that the **Waste Site Clean-up program** undertaken with the schools worked well and accomplished significant improvements. Ward 1 site was not as successful simply due to the size of the property and the time available for the children to commit.

Fire Department Report:

Five additional fire fighters were appointed to Station 1 to assist with membership availability during implementation of the Rapid Response Crew for Station 2 fire fighter recruitment campaign.

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*G. Reeves
K. Weber*

WHEREAS Council endorsed the increase of 5 additional members to the Station 1 Fire Department to provide adequate coverage during the mandate of the Rapid Response Crew to address the current critical shortage of fire fighters for Station 2;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint **Corie Lawrence** to the Station 1 of the Fire Department subject to medical clearance. CARRIED.

04-10-15

*D. Ratz
K. Weber*

WHEREAS Council endorsed the increase of 5 additional members to the Station 1 Fire Department to provide adequate coverage during the mandate of the Rapid Response Crew to address the current critical shortage of fire fighters for Station 2;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint **Colin Whalen** to the Station 1 of the Fire Department subject to medical clearance. CARRIED.

04-10-16

*G. Reeves
D. Wedgwood*

WHEREAS Council endorsed the increase of 5 additional members to the Station 1 Fire Department to provide adequate coverage during the mandate of the Rapid Response Crew to address the current critical shortage of fire fighters for Station 2;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint **David Smith** to the Station 1 of the Fire Department subject to medical clearance. CARRIED.

04-10-17

*D. Ratz
J. Fullerton*

WHEREAS Council endorsed the increase of 5 additional members to the Station 1 Fire Department to provide adequate coverage during the mandate of the Rapid Response Crew to address the current critical shortage of fire fighters for Station 2;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint **Dustin Petingalo** to the Station 1 of the Fire Department subject to medical clearance. CARRIED.

04-10-18

*D. Dallimore
D. Ratz*

WHEREAS Council endorsed the increase of 5 additional members to the Station 1 Fire Department to provide adequate coverage during the mandate of the Rapid Response Crew to address the current critical shortage of fire fighters for Station 2;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint **Jerry Senecal** to the Station 1 of the Fire Department subject to medical clearance. CARRIED.

Planning Report

C.G. Trivers Limited - **File 57-C-030008 Deferred**. Information from Mr. Trivers was not received.

04-10-19

*G. Reeves
K. Weber*

THAT we approve the **Application for Consent** for Don and Mary **Dean**, MMAH **File # 57-C-040003** to sever a portion of property to adjacent landowners Brad and Caroline Beemer, which will result in an exchange of lands for a preferred lot reconfiguration. CARRIED.

04-10-20

*D. Dallimore
A. Roach*

THAT we approve the **Application for Consent** for Brad and Caroline **Beemer**, MMAH **File # 57-C-040002** to sever a portion of property to adjacent landowners Don and Mary Dean, which will result in an exchange of lands for a preferred lot reconfiguration. CARRIED.

04-10-21

*D. Wedgwood
G. Campbell*

THAT we approve the **Application for Consent** for Harold **House** (Agent – Daughter Karthryn Moggy), MMAH **File #57-C-040004** to sever a portion of property described as Pt. 1 Plan AR-168, for a lot addition to adjacent lands described as Pt. 1 1R-8138. CARRIED.

CBO Swan advised Council that he was contacted by Mr. **Yvon Belisle** regarding the issuance of a permanent **building permit** for a residence on his property on Brownlee Road in Day Township. Mr. Swan advised that the Official Plan designation for the property is Lakeshore Residential and as such he can only issue a permit for a seasonal residence. Council discussed the matter. Mr. Dumont reported to Council that Mr. Werner Hebel, had contacted him

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proposing another alternative for building a new road that would follow the Township section lines moving traffic away from the campground. While particulars have not been finalized nor committed, Mr. Dumont advised that the road would have to be built to a standard that Council could accept for municipal maintenance. Since at this time a new road is purely hypothetical, Council asked that Mr. Swan make it clear with Mr. Belisle that the municipality could not guarantee winter maintenance at this point in time.

There was further discussion on the request for a **building permit on the Brown property** on Mississagi Crescent. The Canada/Ontario Flood Reduction Program was briefly discussed and where the flood prone area is in relation to the Official Plan mapping. Council discussed the fact that the permit was not being requested to increase bedroom/living space, but for a porch/laundry facility area and that the owners were willing to sign a waiver.

04-10-22

G. Reeves

D. Wedgwood

THAT Council authorize the 12' x 17' addition to the home on property described as Lots, 25, 26 and 27 Plan H484, Township of Gladstone; providing the owners sign a waiver recognizing the property is in the flood prone zone;

AND THAT no exterior openings to the addition be below the elevation of 604.5 feet (184.95 metres) C.G.D. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote:

E. W. Linley	YEA
G. Campbell	NAY
D. Dallimore	YEA
J. Fullerton	YEA
D. Ratz	YEA
L. (Gil) Reeves	YEA
A. D. Roach	YEA
K. Weber	YEA
D. Wedgwood	YEA

Councillors Reports:

Councillor Weber reported on **Health and Safety Meetings** - Feb.4/04 & May 5/04. He outlined various items that have been identified needing implementation and/or improvement in our workplaces. He advised Council that training initiatives are being considered for courses offered by Province and other corporations for staff members in various capacities.

Reeve Linley and Councillor Dallimore reported on the **FONOM Conference** attended May 5 to 7, 2004. Information was provided on procurement policies, quotations as opposed to tenders, requests for proposals and professional services and some recommendations were provided on each form of procurement and acceptance of product or performance. Provincial Government very well represented, and included the following, Sandra Papatello, Minister of Community, Family and Children's Services, Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, David Ramsey, Minister of Natural Resources, Steve Peters, Minister of Agriculture and Food, John Gerritson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. All resolutions presented from Huron Shores were passed including a resolution regarding commercial assessment on Maple Syrup buildings. It was presented on the floor and passed that Northern Ontario should have two representatives on the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Board. Jodie Wildman spoke on keeping rural public schools in Algoma open. Ten of the municipalities unofficially polled on the title of head of Council advised they had changed to Mayor. Council asked that Clerk prepare a by-law for the next meeting to initiate the change for the title or head of Council from Reeve to Mayor. Council also asked that we pursue securing a lapel pin for the municipality and budget for the purchase this year.

Councillor Ratz provided a report on the library.

Councillor Wedgwood asked if Council did not have any projects to utilize the balance of dollars in the Huron Shores **Community portion of the Patten Post Fund** if they would consider an **addendum to the Tally Ho Park Project** to surface treat both approaches of the

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Recreation Bridge. Council concurred to request an addendum to the project and have a resolution prepared for the next meeting of Council.

Councillors Fullerton & Ratz reported on a **Private Roads Committee** Meeting held May 10, 2004. They advised the meeting had been called as the private roads committees are facing a significant increase in insurance premiums over last year and the insurer advises that they will not name the municipality as an additional insured on the policy through Federation of Cottagers Association. It was asked if Private Roads groups could come under municipal umbrella. Clerk to check with solicitor and insurance company. Considerable discussion ensued, reiterating the criteria established last year and the reasons why that criteria was implemented and that the grant is available on a year-to-year basis subsequent to budget restraints. It was recommended that since the policies expire at the end of May, the insurance be required again this year, but be reduced to \$1 million liability, with Council acknowledging that the municipality will not be named as an insured. Council asked that staff prepare a resolution for the next meeting.

Noting that May 31st is the date that Huron Shores becomes **Smoke Free**, it was reported that Algoma Health Unit has undertaken the advertising, and the preparation and distribution of smoke free packages to commercial and industrial establishments in our jurisdiction.

Council asked that 2004 preliminary Budget estimates allow for a **recycling depot at Sowerby**.

Councillor Reeves reported on the **Spring Mutual Aid Meeting** hosted by the Fire Department. The activity attracted over 80 people from outside the municipality including representation from the Fire Marshal's office. He praised the department for an excellent job. All reports indicate a very well organized and very well attended event.

Councillor Reeves gave an **update on fire fighter volunteer recruitment** for Station 2. Mr. Reeves has spoken personally with a number of people, has passed out applications and distributed posters. While there are no commitments to date, he did receive a positive reaction to the appeal and feels approximately half of those he has contacted are giving the matter serious consideration.

Business Arising from Minutes / Clerk's Report

Clerk Tonelli had prepared a **report** for Council **listing responsibilities and duties required** by this office **subsequent to the implementation of new provincial legislation and regulations**. She qualified that the items on this list are all additional to all of the duties staff presently have to deal with on a day-to-day basis.

Council noted that the workload indicated in the first three paragraphs indicate an aura of crisis in being able to meet the new requirements in addition to handling daily functions of municipal government. Clerk advised that all municipalities are experiencing the same challenges but the workload is becoming almost insurmountable. When queried if an efficiency expert could provide any assistance in determining what would be required in order for Council to make working for the municipality an enjoyable job, Clerk Tonelli again advised that we know what has to be done, we just simply don't have the bodies and time to complete all that has to be done. Hiring a consultant would spend time and money that we can't afford in either sense. She would still like to try to arrange a visit with another municipality simply to review operations and trade ideas. There was further discussion on different positions in the municipality and how excellent efficiency can possibly be realized with the number and range of jobs people are expected to perform. Council asked staff to give serious consideration on what action Council might take to alleviate the current overwhelming downloaded workload.

Upcoming Workshops:

Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Seminar - June 17, Sault Ste. Marie

GENERAL BUSINESS

8-1. Council and Staff Written Reports vs. Verbal Reports.

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In an effort to work towards shorter Council meetings, Council and Staff will work towards having **written reports** prepared to be distributed in Council packages. For the time being, even if a written report is supplied, Council would still like staff to be in attendance while we work through the process.

Clerk advised that items added to the agenda subsequent to the Friday cutoff time are items that are difficult to ignore due to time sensitivity.

8-2. By-law: contract with Continental Entertainment re: Shania Twin concert.

04-10-23
K. Weber
G. Reeves

THAT **By-law #04-27** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter into a Contract with Continental Entertainment of the Shania Twin Concert** to be held June 26, 2004, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 12th day of May, 2004. CARRIED.

8-3. By-law: joint contract with Iron Bridge Agricultural Society and Jake Mathews & Band.

04-10-24
D. Dallimore
A. Roach

THAT **By-law #04-28** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Enter into a Contract with Jake Mathews & Band and PM GIGS Inc.**, on behalf of the Ambassador of Huron Shores Committee in partnership with the Iron Bridge Agricultural Society, for a performance on October 2, 2004, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 12th day of May, 2004. CARRIED.

8-4. Resolution to set date for Budget Meeting.

The Finance Committee will meet for a **second review of preliminary budget estimates**. The Treasurer anticipates having a package prepared prior to the next regular meeting of Council in order to receive queries, comments, concerns, etc. It is anticipated that the Budget Meeting will be set at the next regular meeting of Council.

8-5. Question and Answer Session with Kevin Belsito, MOE, re: Water Regulations, May 20, 2004, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Iron Bridge Lions Hall.

04-10-25
D. Ratz
D. Dallimore

THAT Reeve Linley, Councillor Ratz be authorized to **attend the Question and Answer Session** with Kevin Belisto of **MOE, re: Water Regulations**, to be held May 20, 2004 at the Iron Bridge Lions Hall. CARRIED.

There are indications from MOE that a lot of amendments to the regulations are being considered. There has also been some indication that complying dates may be extended.

8-6. Resolution to rescind Resolution No. 04-06-17 and proceed with partnership with Blind River Chamber of Commerce, Town of Blind River and Blind River Development Corporation.

Clerk explained changes to the HRDC funding application partnership with Blind River Chamber of Commerce to hire individuals for website maintenance and further Information Technology development.

04-10-26
D. Dallimore
D. Ratz

THAT we rescind Resolution # 04-06-17;
AND THAT the Municipality of Huron Shores **contribute \$1,000.00** cash in support of an application to FedNor and HRDC **in cooperation with the Blind River Chamber of Commerce**. CARRIED.

04-10-27
G. Reeves
K. Weber

THAT the Municipality of Huron Shores **contribute \$1,000.00** to the Blind River Chamber of Commerce for **skills development** related to web training and project administration. CARRIED.

8-7. Resolution to apply to Summer Jobs Service for student subsidy via MNDM. The Summer Career Placement Application for students through HRDC was not approved.

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04-10-28 THAT we **make application to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines** for subsidy under the **Summer Jobs Services program**, to hire three students for museum and miscellaneous municipal work for the 2004 summer season. CARRIED.
D. Ratz
K. Weber

8-8. Algoma Manor - donation

04-10-29 THAT we **donate \$10,000.00 payable to the Algoma Manor Redevelopment Fund** established to raise dollars in an effort to secure funding from senior levels of government to build a new wing at the Algoma Manor in Thessalon in conjunction with requirements for converting that facility to a Class A facility;
K. Weber AND THAT should the project not proceed, this donation will be returned to the municipality. CARRIED.
A. Roach

8-9. Infrastructure Stakeholder Outreach / May 14/04, 9:00 a.m. to Noon, Sault Ste. Marie.

04-10-30 THAT Reeve Linley be authorized to attend the **Infrastructure Stakeholder Outreach** to be held May 14, 2004, 9:00 a.m. to Noon, in Sault Ste. Marie Ontario;
K. Weber AND THAT we cover all associated costs. CARRIED.
J. Fullerton

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

- 9-1. Ecole secondaire catholique Jeunesse-Nord / invitation to graduation and request for contribution.
- 9-2. Township of North Kawartha / letter re: impact of Safe Drinking Water Act on tourism operators and other small businesses.
- 9-3. City of Welland / request to Province to strengthen Ontario Pension and Benefit Guarantee Fund.
- 9-4. Township of Macdonald, Meredith and Aberdeen Additional / request for Joint Advisory Committees re: Nutrient Management.
- 9-5. Thessalon Town and Township Cemetery Board / 2004 budget request.

04-10-31 THAT we authorize the **levy of \$3,300.00** to the Thessalon Town and Township **Cemetery Board**. CARRIED.
K. Weber
G. Reeves

- 9-6. Town of Blind River / Dragon Boat Race challenge.
- 9-7. Central Algoma Secondary School / request for donation toward 2004 graduation and invitation to attend.
- 9-8. Township of Alfred and Plantagenet / request to improve preliminary list of electors.
- 9-9. Loyalist Township / request to Province for financial relief to smaller municipalities facing increases in costs for water and sewer services.
- 9-10. Town of Thessalon / request that Ministry of Education reconsider granting system.

04-10-32 THAT we support the Resolution of the Town of Thessalon and request that the Ministry of Education **not allow the closure of single schools in small rural communities** as a result of the feasibility study being conducted by the Algoma District School Board;
K. Weber AND THAT the Ministry of Education also reconsider how the present grant system affects education in the Northern part of Ontario. CARRIED.
J. Fullerton

- 9-11. W.C. Eaket Secondary School / request for donation toward 2004 graduation and invitation to attend.
- 9-12. Regional Municipality of Niagara / request for Provincial Action in the areas of Diversion and Environmental Assessment.
- 9-13. NCCDC / meeting May 20, 2004, 7:00 p.m., Blind River Marina - re: remaining Patten Post Funds.

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04-10-33 THAT Reeve Linley and Councillor Wedgwood be authorized to **attend**
D. Wedgwood the **NCCDC meeting May 20, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.** at Blind River Marina
G. Campbell regarding the remaining Patten Post Funds;
AND THAT we cover all associated costs. CARRIED.

9-14. Town of North Perth / request that MOE exempt small non-residential facilities which supply washroom facilities only from all portions of O.Reg. 170/03.

9-15. Township of the North Shore / request for support re: Town Youth Participation Strategy.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

10-1. The Order of Ontario / 2004 request for nominations.

10-2. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing / MPMP release of 2001 Summary Data Report. Dave – downloaded – is 102 pages.

10-3. Twp. of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Add'l / support of MPAC Resolution.

10-4. Township of Tarbutt and Tarbutt Additional / support of MPAC Resolution.

10-5. City of Elliot Lake / Homes for the Aged.

10-6. Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing / thank-you for MPAC Resolution.

10-7. Ministry of Finance / assessment of residential trailers for 2003 taxation year.

10-8. Human Resources Development Canada / Summer Career Placements application denied due to late submission.

10-9. Eco-North 2004 Conference and Trade Show / November 24-27/04, Thunder Bay.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Open House for Water Power Management to be held Wednesday, May 26, 2004 at the Iron Bridge Lions Hall 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

04-10-34 THAT we do adjourn at 11:00 p.m.
G. Reeves
D. Wedgwood

CARRIED.

REEVE

CLERK