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The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, August 11, 2004 and called to order by Mayor Ted Linley at 7:00 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Lyne Leblanc-Quirion, Bob Whitehead and Betty-Anne Degagne, All Star Children Services Inc.; Tim Armstrong; Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont and Assistant Clerk Beverly Eagleson.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

04-19-01 THAT we **adopt** the **minutes** of the Regular Meeting of Council held
J. Fullerton Wednesday, July 28, 2004 as circulated.
A. Roach CARRIED.

04-19-02 THAT **By-law #04-43**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the
G. Reeves Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council
D. Wedgwood Meeting held on July 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 11th day of August, 2004. CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

04-19-03 THAT we approve payment of the **General Accounts**, excluding items of
D. Ratz Pecuniary Interest, for the period from July 29, 2004 to August 11, 2004
A. Roach in the amount of **\$158,503.36**. CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Lyne Leblanc-Quirion, Bob Whitehead and Betty Anne Degagne of All Star Childrens Services Inc. attended the Council Meeting. Ms. Leblanc-Quirion spoke on behalf of the agency and reported on the **Children's Summer Program** being provided at the former Iron Bridge Medical Clinic. She advised that the program has been very successful with eleven children participating in the program and three people having been hired to staff the facility and that they would like to continue to provide their services in this area beyond the summer program. Twelve children have registered for the fall with a waiting list of families interested in utilizing the service and Ms. Leblanc-Quirion advised that the building was very suitable to accommodate their programs. Jane Armstrong, Community Volunteer with All Star Children Services Inc. submitted a letter under TotsTown DayCare Letterhead (Item 9-2 of this Agenda) requesting continued rental of the building in order to offer a Day Care Program, Before and After School Program, Community Action Program for Children and Ontario Early Years Centre Satellite Site all under the same roof. Ms. Leblanc-Quirion attended the meeting to answer any questions Council might have on the programs and to discuss the potential of renting the building beyond the summer months. Ms. Leblanc-Quirion advised that the building could be made available in the evenings for the Community (ie. Teen Program) and if the building should be required for medical services at any time in the future, the Group would be willing to relocate the program. If there becomes a need to upgrade the building (ie. Kitchen facilities) they will approach Council. Council members questioned different perspectives of the program and indicated support of the former vacant building being utilized for these children services. Council was pleased with the success of programs offered to date and indicated that they felt some arrangements could be made to allow the Group to continue to offer their services in this community. Mayor Linley thanked the representatives for attending to discuss this service and advised that Council would consider the matter later on the Agenda. Chairperson Bob Whitehead thanked Council for their time and for their support of the program.

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Treasurer's Report:

04-19-04 THAT we accept the **Minutes of Settlement** from MPAC for Taxation as follows:
D. Wedgwood
G. Campbell

5724 000 018 07300 0000 RT	2004 From	24,500 to RT	8,500
5724 000 018 07000 0000 RT	2004 From	16,800 to RT	5,800
5724 000 015 03202 0000 RT	2004 From	15,500 to RT	7,700
5724 000 004 03300 0000 RT	2004 From	17,100 to RT	12,800
5724 000 004 03200 0000 RT	2004 From	20,500 to RT	7,100
5724 000 016 11101 0000 RT	2004 From	9,100 to RT	000
5724 000 016 11200 0000 RT	2004 From	35,500 to RT	36,000
5724 000 008 20600 0000 RT	2004 From	106,000 to RT	99,000

CARRIED.

Council asked that Treasurer prepare another summary of these adjustments and their affect on taxation revenue. Council again expressed concern of the volatility of the assessment base.

Adjustments of Assessment were submitted to MPAC for buildings removed on two properties registered in the name of the Municipality subsequent to the tax sale held earlier this year

04-19-05 THAT we accept the Applications for **Adjustment of Taxes** in accordance with Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as follows:
J. Fullerton
D. Ratz

5724 000 008 06701 0000 - 2004 From RT	172,000 to E	37,500
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effective June 1, 2004;

5724 000 002 04900 0000 - 2004 From RT	4,500 to E	4,500
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effective June 1, 2004;

CARRIED.

Council concurred with Clerk that the assessment on one property was still somewhat high.

04-19-06 THAT we submit a **Request for Reconsideration** for Property Roll No.
D. Wedgwood 5724 000 008 06701 0000 for the Year 2004.
A. Roach

CARRIED.

Public Works Report:

Four tenders were received for a new 2005 One-Ton Truck. They were as follows:

Boston's	\$38,904.50
Elliot Lake Ford Sales Ltd.	\$38,318.00
Milltown Motors Ltd.	\$35,092.25 + Licence Plates
Dave Seabrook Motors Inc.	\$34,181.45

Tender Review Committee confirmed with the low bidder, Seabrook Motors, that air conditioning and licence plates were included in the final tender price and recommended accepting the low bid from Seabrook Motors.

04-19-07 THAT we accept the tender submitted by Dave **Seabrook Motors** in the amount of \$34,181.45 including PST and GST,
J. Fullerton For **1 2005 One-Ton Truck** with Flatbed Platform,
A. Roach FOB Iron Bridge, with delivery within 45 working days from August 12, 2004.

CARRIED.

Public Works Foreman Dumont reported on recent Public Works operations.

Councillor Ratz asked what could be done about the **loose gravel** that seems to accumulate on the **pavement** at the intersection of Highway 17 and Eley Road. Foreman Dumont advised that the subject areas is MTO's jurisdiction and that we are experiencing the same gravel accumulation at almost all intersections with the highway corridors. The engineering on these last highway upgrades reduced the sizes of the aprons which causes traffic turning to encroach the shoulder, pulling the gravel onto the paved surface. He routinely reports the gravel accumulation at municipal intersections to MTO. The dollars the Ministry saved on reducing the

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asphalt as well as additional dollars are now being expended on continual maintenance. He advised that neighbouring municipalities have noted the same problem.

04-19-08 THAT we send a **letter of concern to MTO** regarding **gravel on the intersections** with Hwys 17, 129 & 546 and our Municipal Streets.
D. Wedgwood
D. Ratz CARRIED.

Public Works Foreman reviewed the **Dean Lake Bridge monitoring** program, advising that Tulloch Engineering last monitored the bridge in 1996. The firm has been contacted and a review should be conducted next week. He discussed the decking, the movement of the boards occurring on the decking and the fact that the deck surface is now doing again what was happening before bridge repairs were done in 1988. The engineering for the 1988 repairs was done by Kresin Engineering and Mr. Dumont recommended contacting the engineering firm to discuss the decking concern and design.

04-19-09 THAT Public Works Foreman be authorized to request **Kresin Engineering** to investigate **Dean Lake Bridge concerns**.
G. Campbell
D. Ratz CARRIED.

Council directed that Clerk Tonelli contact Bob Wood of M R Wright and Associates to put preparation of Dean Lake Bridge **Repair Tender package on hold** until design review has been conducted.

Councillor Wedgwood moved to rescind the resolution passed at the July 28th meeting, regarding erecting **slow moving vehicle signs** on Chevis Road. After giving the matter further thought, and discussing with staff, he advised Council that since farm vehicles traverse a number of roads throughout the municipality, it wasn't in the municipality's best interest to sign only one road.

Public Works Foreman Dumont suggested that perhaps the liability of signing or warning should remain with those utilizing the road, traveling very slowly or with excessive size loads, to ensure that precautions are taken by escorting, lighting or taking measures necessary to advise the general public that their equipment or loads exceed the room required for normal vehicular travel or that they are moving considerably slower than average vehicular traffic.

04-19-10 THAT we **rescind** Resolution No. 04-18-04.
D. Wedgwood
D. Ratz CARRIED.

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Ratz advised that the Public Information Session for the Township of St. Joseph Official Plan was being held on Saturday August 14th and asked for Council's approval to attend in addition to the Zoning By-law Session on Friday.

04-19-11 THAT Councillor **Ratz** be authorized to attend the **St. Joseph Island Official Plan & Zoning Public Information Session** on Saturday, August 14, 2004;
J. Fullerton
K. Weber AND THAT we pay all associated expenses. CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES / CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Tonelli reported that Treasurer advised there were no extra dollars set aside in the budget for grants and donations to others to finance a donation to the **Peterborough Flood Relief Program**.

04-19-12 THAT we donate \$400.00 to the Peterborough **Flood Relief** Program
D. Wedgwood from Working Fund Reserves. CARRIED.
A. Roach

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Council will further contemplate whether there is interest in participating in the **ADMAS** proposal.

Historic Trails Update - Clerk Tonelli advised that Council that the grand opening of the Boom Camp Trails is September 2, 2004. They request an RSVP by August 27th.

GeoSmart Update - East Algoma GeoSmart proposed program is back on the table but funding is going to be considerably less than originally anticipated. A Consultant should be hired to review the application. Stoney Burton advised they will be looking for an intent to participate from the municipalities that originally expressed an interest.

The Blind River **Chamber** of Commerce – **HRDC Application** update. The Chamber advised it has **withdrawn** the application for IT personnel.

Former **Medical Clinic** – Clerk Tonelli reported to Council that two parties that had originally expressed an interest in utilizing the medical clinic had been contacted and one group is no longer located in Iron Bridge. The other person advised they would only be interested in utilizing one room in the building and not at this time.

Building Maintenance and Groundskeeping – Clerk advised Council that again situations continue to arise indicating a need to address regular building and grounds maintenance. She outlined various instances that have occurred and asked if the municipality needs to hire someone to monitor all of our buildings in order to prevent costly emergency repairs. She advised that this should be reviewed and a decision made before the next municipal budget. Council asked that staff commence compiling a list of buildings, grounds and facilities in addition to a list of items to be looked after at each of these facilities.

Volunteers have made genuine efforts to look after recreation grounds and buildings but it is becoming apparent that in most cases, volunteers cannot commit the time required to ensure all routine maintenance monitoring and work, and opening and closing of facilities is being done.

Clerk advised that on Monday we experienced a **computer networking problem**. The Network was inoperable all day Tuesday while repairs took place.

Clerk Tonelli reported that **Fire Chief Brad Eagleson** will receive a **25 Year Long Service Award** from the Office of the Fire Marshal on Thursday August 19th at an Investiture Ceremony to be held in Sudbury. Deputy Chief Gib Medve will also attend on behalf of the Fire Department and a Municipal Official is also welcome to attend. Council members to advise tomorrow morning if anyone is available to attend on behalf of Council.

Clerk Tonelli advised that an employee will be taking a **maternity leave** early in 2005. Preliminary recommendation is to consider hiring a trainee by November. Treasury advises this staffing cost will be covered from working fund reserve.

Algoma District Services Administration Board has advised they have hired Sault Ste. Marie PUC to conduct **water testing** on all of their buildings. This will include once monthly testing of the well at the **Ward 1 Garage** in Little Rapids which services the Emergency Services office.

GENERAL BUSINESS

8-1. Date, location and advertising of Public Meeting.

04-19-13 THAT we set the **Annual Fall Public Meeting** date as follows:
J. Fullerton Day & Bright Community Centre Wednesday, October 20, 2004 7:00 p.m.
D. Ratz AND THAT we advertise in the North Shore Sentinel. CARRIED.

8-2. Christmas Holiday Schedule.

04-19-14 THAT we establish the **Office Hours for the 2004 Christmas Season** as follows:
D. Ratz
D. Wedgwood Closed on Friday, December 24, 2004 12:00 noon
Reopen on Tuesday, January 4, 2005 8:30 a.m. CARRIED.

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8-2. Extension Agreement.

04-19-15 THAT **By-law #04-44**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the
K. Weber Municipality of Huron Shores to authorize the execution of a **tax arrears**
G. Reeves **extension agreement** pursuant to Section 378 of *The Municipal Act, 2001*, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 11th day of August, 2004. CARRIED.

8-4. Discussion re: items wish to see in Terms of Reference for Strategic Plan Review.

Clerk Tonelli reported having received a copy of the Terms of Reference for a **Strategic Plan** for the Municipality of East Ferris from Dave Saad who works with the Consulting Firm of Harriman and Associates. Mr. Harriman asked Clerk what Council might want to see in the Terms of Reference. Council agreed that we would be wise to conduct a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) workshop to develop municipal objectives. Councillor Reeves advised he would be willing to facilitate the session.

04-19-16 THAT we set a **Special Meeting** of Council to be held Wednesday,
K. Weber September 29, 2004 to conduct a **(SWOT) Strengths, Weaknesses,**
G. Reeves Opportunities, Threats Working Session. CARRIED.

8-5. Resolution - single source for girder display and statuary.

04-19-17 THAT we waive the purchasing policy:
G. Reeves To hire Mark Pinske to design and install a **girder display** at the **Tally Ho**
D. Ratz **Park**
AND
To contract Laval Bouchard to provide **statuary** for the **Tally Ho Park**. CARRIED.

8-6. Bereavement Leave / Sick Leave Policies.

Clerk advised that **bereavement leave and sick leave policies** have been permitted based on the employment policy that has not formally been adopted by Council. Clerk to prepare policies for the next meeting of Council.

8-6. Resolution - GeoSmart commitment.

04-19-18 THAT we **reaffirm** our intent to **participate** in the East Algoma
G. Campbell **GeoSmart** partnership with local Municipalities, businesses, local boards,
A. Roach etc. in conjunction with a GeoSmart application made in 2003, with the understanding that the final budget will depend on the changes that are made subsequent to approval and will be provided to all partners for final approval by each;
AND THAT we agree to investigate a short-term engagement of a GIS specialist to assist with rewriting the specifications of the project in order to reflect more partners, reduce individual partner costs, increased local technical capacity and the likelihood that FedNor will be unable to review our application to them until later;
AND THAT all costs associated with the above be applied to the 2005 budget. CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

9-1. Ministry of Agriculture & Food / Resources Management Branch

04-19-19 THAT we write a **letter of concern** to the Ministry of Agriculture and
D. Wedgwood Food expressing our extreme disappointment with the decision to phase
G. Campbell out grants under the **Municipal Outlet Drainage program**.
AND THAT a copy of this resolution to our MPP and MP. CARRIED.

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9-2. Totstown Daycare / Letter

04-19-20

G. Reeves

D. Wedgwood

THAT we authorize the **rental of the Municipality owned Building** located at **10 Main Street** to the All Star Children Services Inc. for various children’s programs;
AND THAT there be no cost to the Municipality;
AND THAT the rental fee and terms be negotiated in a Rental Agreement.
CARRIED.

9-3. Algoma Country / Algoma Sno-Plan Affiliation.

9-4. Township of Greater Madawaska / Safe Drinking Water Act Regulation.

04-19-21

K. Weber

J. Fullerton

THAT we **support** the resolution of the Township of Greater Madawaska in demanding the total **repeal** of all sections of Regulation 170/03 that deal with **untreated water systems**
AND THAT a copy be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Environment, MPP Mike Brown and MP Brent St. Denis. CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

- 10-1. Fair Air Association of Canada / Environmental Smoke Monitoring in Toronto Restaurants and Bars.
- 10-2. Township of Galway-Cavendish & Harvey / Two-Hatter Issue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Mike Brown will be in Thessalon on Monday. Mayor Linley will arrange to meet with him.

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G. Reeves

D. Wedgwood

THAT we do adjourn at 9:42 p.m.

CARRIED.

MAYOR

CLERK