October 27, 2004

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, October 27, 2004 and called to order by Mayor Linley at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Clerk Tonelli identified items qualified in the October 6/04 minutes subsequent to being circulated to Council.

04-26-01 *J. Fullerton* *D. Ratz*	THAT we **adopt the minutes** of the Special Meeting held October 6, 2004 and Regular Meeting of Council held Wednesday, October 13, as circulated. CARRIED.
04-26-02 *K. Weber* *G. Reeves*	THAT **By-law #04-50**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council Meetings held on October 6, 2004 and October 13, 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 27th day of October, 2004. CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

04-26-03 *D. Wedgwood* *A. Roach*	THAT we approve payment of the **General Accounts**, excluding items of Pecuniary Interest, for the period from October 14, to October 27, 2004 in the amount of $183,593.14. CARRIED.
04-26-04 *D. Ratz* *F. Eldner*	THAT we approve payment of Village General Store account in the amount of $1,000.89. CARRIED. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: E. W. Linley

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Cathy Jensen, of Ministry of Northern Development and Mines attended to introduce herself to Council and to give Council a presentation and short video stating what that Ministry is about and the services and programs it offers. Ms. Jensen highlighted that the Ministry has changed in the past few years. In response to questions from Council, Ms. Jensen advised she would research the announcement that a portion of gas tax is being made available to municipalities with public transit and would provide information for Council. Ms. Jensen confirmed that the OSTAR program is no longer available and they are waiting for announcement and details of the new Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Program. In recognizing Council's consideration of undertaking to develop a Strategic Plan for the Municipality, she advised that information on plans was available on the Ministry's Website and outlined the grant dollars available through MNDM and FedNor for this type of work. She advised that East Algoma Community Futures Development Corporation (CFDC) is considering undertaking a regional economic development plan in the spring. She offered to provide assistance with a SWOT session if Council desires to review our own municipality and suggested that Shaun Heard, CFDC could also be of assistance. Council thanked Ms. Jensen for attending and for the assistance that she has been able to provide to this municipality.

Colin Trivers & Peter Bortolucci – Island View Estates – Draft Subdivision Agreement
This item was deferred.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES / CLERK'S REPORT

Council passed the following amendment of Resolution No. 04-25-09 to correct the starting date of the rental period.

04-26-05
D. Wedgwood
G. Reeves

THAT we rescind Resolution No. 04-25-09;
AND THAT Kevin Armstrong and Kevin Ravnaas be granted use of the **Ward 4 Garage** for the period from November 1, 2004 to April 30, 2005, at a rental fee of $60.00 per month and replacement of oil used in the oil tank;
AND THAT Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Ravnaas agree that the Garage remain accessible to Municipal Public Works crew during the rental period;
AND THAT Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Ravnaas abide by all health and safety practices and procedures while utilizing the facility and that no welding/cutting be conducted inside the facility;
AND THAT Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Ravnaas purchase any necessary insurance. CARRIED.

GENERAL BUSINESS

8-1 Reports and Action

Treasurer's Report:

04-26-06
G. Reeves
D. Ratz

WHEREAS prior to amalgamation, the former municipalities entered into agreements with the Province to administer the **Ontario Home Renewal Program**;
AND WHEREAS the six outstanding loans were initiated in the 1970's and 1980's;
AND WHEREAS we provided to the Social Housing Branch of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, a detailed account of the loans including date of the loans, amounts approved, outstanding balances, payment history, and collection efforts, as required;
AND WHEREAS, based on guidelines provided by the Ministry, we have decided to restructure Loan File #57-24-38, #57-24-39, #27-29-25, #57-29-26 and #57-29-24;
AND WHEREAS it was necessary several years ago to remove the insulation purchased with the loan monies for File #57-29-04;
THEREFORE, we the Council of the Municipality of Huron Shores deem it necessary to write off the entire balance of $142.34 for File #57-29-04; and for the five remaining files, to write off all outstanding interest and apply all payments made since amalgamation on January 1, 1999 directly to the principle.
AND THAT we request the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing forgive these balances. CARRIED.

Treasurer will contact the Province to work through dealing with the uncollected loans.

04-26-07
K. Weber
G. Reeves

WHEREAS the Iron Bridge Agricultural Society and the Huron Shores Ambassador Committee jointly organized the **Jake Mathews' concert** held October 2, 2004;
AND WHEREAS ticket sales were much less than anticipated;
AND WHEREAS the event resulted in a total loss of $8,092.83, of which the Ambassador Committee's portion is $4,046.41;
NOW THEREFORE we the Council of The Municipality of Huron Shores enact as follows:
THAT the **Ambassador Committee** reserve of $2,362.01 be transferred to the general fund;

04-26-07 - cont.	AND THAT if there is a surplus as determined at year-end, it will be transferred into the Ambassador Program reserve and if there is a deficit as determined at year-end, it will be paid to the Municipality as funds become available from future fundraising events. CARRIED.
04-26-08 *J. Fullerton* *D. Ratz*	WHEREAS the Iron Bridge Agricultural Society and the Huron Shores Ambassador Committee jointly organized the **Jake Mathews' concert** held October 2, 2004; AND WHEREAS ticket sales were much less than anticipated; AND WHEREAS the event resulted in a total loss of $8,092.83, of which the Agricultural Society's portion is $4,046.42; NOW THEREFORE we the Council of the Municipality of Huron Shores enact as follows: THAT the **Agricultural Society** pay to the Municipality the balance of $3,546.42 as funds become available from future fundraising events as outlined in their letter to Council received October 8, 2004. CARRIED.

Council briefly discussed reasons why the event was not successful. The Committees advised Clerk they have reviewed the activity and have discussed how any future events planned could be organized to avoid a similar outcome.

Public Works Report:

Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont reported that the **Dean Lake Bridge** was reopened on October 16th. He was advised late this afternoon that the Contractors plan on installing the inspection panels on Thursday October 28th and Friday October 29th if required. He advised Council this was far too short for notice for us to satisfactorily advise those to be affected and will attempt to contact the contractor to discuss.
Public works have made repairs to a soft, wet section Melwel Road. Approximately 100 metres of clay was removed and replaced with gravel.
The blasting report for was received from DST for work undertaken on Industrial Road recording that all blasts were well within acceptable levels.
Subsequent to queries regarding the streetlight installed at Little Rapids, Foreman reported that the contractor hired for the work located the new pole on the wrong property. The contractor is working with the Ministry of Transportation to resolve the matter.

Council passed the following resolution to approve some work on the **access** north of the Feltham and Walker Road intersection in the interest of keeping old public accesses accessible as trails.

04-26-09 *K. Weber* *J. Fullerton*	THAT we authorize the expenditure of up to $1,000.00 from the current year's road maintenance budget, to improve the **access beyond the Walker Road and Feltham Road intersection**, provided there are dollars to cover the said expenditure and time available in the Public Works fall schedule to undertake the work; AND THAT it be understood that the expenditure is only to improve the access for recreation type uses and is not intended to improve to allow for vehicular traffic use; AND THAT future discussion will take place regarding policies for work on accesses such as this which are considered to be heritage type trails or accesses. CARRIED.
04-26-10 *D. Wedgwood* *A. Roach*	THAT **By-law #04-51** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **establish** certain lands as a public highway to be called **Industrial Road**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of October, 2004. CARRIED.

04-26-11 *J. Fullerton* *D. Ratz*	THAT **By-law #04-41** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to (1) Stop Up and Close and Green **Lane West Intersection** with Highway 17 and; (2) Stop Up and Close the **Munroe Lane Intersection** with Highway 17, was read a second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of October, 2004. CARRIED.

With respect to By-law Nos. 04-51 and 04-41, Industrial Road will not be open for public use until final authorization is received from the Ministry of Transportation.

Changes made to Draft 2 of the proposed agreement with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., Garmac Holdings Inc. and William Albert Ltd, were reviewed with Council. The changes proposed did not alter the intent of the agreement and were acceptable to Council.

04-26-12 *G. Reeves* *F. Eldner*	THAT upon reviewing changes made to Draft 2 of the proposed **Agreement** with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., Garmac Holdings Inc. and William Albert Ltd, and having determined that said changes have not altered the intent of the agreement, we rescind resolution 04-25-11 and authorize Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement **for Gravel Sale/Purchase** with Maple Ridge Investments Limited and Garmac Holdings Ltd. and William Albert Ltd. for aggregate material in the portion of Round Barn Road to be stopped up and permanently closed. CARRIED.
04-26-13 *J. Fullerton* *D. Ratz*	THAT **By-law #04-52** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to enter into an **Agreement** with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., Garmac Holdings Inc. and William Albert Limited for **Gravel Purchase/Sale** and Road Closure was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of October, 2004. CARRIED.

Having received no comments, questions or objections to permanently stop up and close a portion of Round Barn Road, Council gave By-law #04-26 second and third reading as follows:

04-26-14 *D. Ratz* *J. Fullerton*	THAT **By-law #04-26** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to (1) Stop Up and Close a portion of Round Barn Road, being the portion of road involved in the Agreement for Gravel Purchase/Sale with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., Garmac Holdings Inc. and William Albert Ltd., was read a second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of October, 2004. CARRIED.

Due to permanently closing a portion of Round Barn Road and altering the through route to connect with Round Barn Road west of Brownlee Road, it is necessary to change the name of the small portion intersecting with Highway 17, which will remain open to the public. The name change will be advertised in the North Shore Sentinel.

04-26-15 *D. Ratz* *A. Roach*	THAT the portion of Round Barn Road to remain open as a result of the Agreement with Maple Ridge Investments Ltd., be now known as Cordukes Drive and be advertised as such. CARRIED.
04-26-16 *K. Weber* *G. Reeves*	THAT we request 1500 Tonnes of **treated sand** from MTO for the 2004/2005 Winter Season. CARRIED.

Subject to the expiration of the Mechanical Certification on the 1988 One Ton Truck, staff recommended declaring the unit surplus and advertising for sale.

04-26-17 *D. Wedgwood* *A. Roach*	THAT we declare the **1988 GMC One Ton Truck surplus**, effective November 1, 2004; AND THAT we advertise for sale as is, in the North Shore Sentinel for one week with bids to be received by November 24, 2004. CARRIED.

Further to a query from Councillor Ratz, it was noted that Public Works will prepare the list of roads ready for surface treatment and those to be considered in conjunction with the yearly 5-year road plan review/update.

Chief Building Official Report:
Further information was received regarding Bill 124 and Ont. Reg. 305/03 and changes impacting the building and design industry.

Clerk's Report:

The **Pay Equity Consultant** advised that all information requested from the participating municipalities has been received. The Consultant hopes to have all plans completed by December 31/04.

We were advised today that the bid of $50.00 for **weight shelves** was accepted by the Township of Plummer Additional.

Councillor Reports:

Clerk Deborah Tonelli advised Council that CBO Swan conducted a quick cursory investigation of **Thompson Township Hall repairs** required and that they could be quite significant. He recommended that Council have someone in the building industry provide an estimate. There is dry rot in the storage area and closet and it might be advisable to remove the front porch completely.

Councillor Fullerton reported that although **The Planning Committee** did not have a quorum present at the last meeting, those present recommended that every second Monday be set aside as a Planning Meeting date in order to work through the draft document. Committee members present asked for clarification from Council if they could proceed without a quorum present, and act as a sub-committee. Clerk Tonelli advised that all committees of Council must follow the Procedural By-law, which requires a quorum, unless Council wishes to amend the Procedural By-law. Sub-committees would also require a quorum. If discussions were to take place by members of a committee that did not have a quorum, all matters would have to be readdressed at the next official meeting of the committee. Council concurred with a request that mileage be covered for the Planning Committee members (excluding Councillors) and a motion is to be prepared at the next Council meeting. Councillor Fullerton highlighted that lakes in our area are a very important resource and we need to look at them as a very integral part of our being and to be sure they are protected.

Councillor Fullerton advised he had contacted Mr. Belisle regarding **winter maintenance** on the **portion of Brownlee Road** north of Ingram Road and advised that there was not sufficient room to turn plow equipment. He confirmed that Mr. Belisle needed to speak with his neighbour to work out a satisfactory arrangement for all parties concerned.

Councillor Wedgwood advised that he has given considerable thought whether we should proceed with purchasing the tag-along this year in consideration of the fact that the quote is higher than budgeted for, the dollars being taken from reserves to cover the unanticipated expense on Dean Lake Bridge in addition to the reduction in reserves for 2004 budget items. The Public Works Foreman has indicated that there are some concerns regarding the purchase and use of this apparatus and he requested that Public Works meet with Council to discuss those concerns and itemize all pros and cons of pursuing the purchase of this equipment in the interest of efficiency of our business. Although Foreman Dumont acknowledged that the request for the meeting should have taken place some time ago, he wants to be sure Council has all of the information they need to make an informed decision. After some discussion, the following resolution was passed:

04-26-18	THAT we delay the purchase of the Loadstar tag-along pending further discussion. CARRIED.	
D. Wedgwood		
A. Roach	Recorded Vote:	
	E.W. Linley	Yea

04-26-18 - cont.	G. Campbell	Absent
	F. Eldner	Yea
	J. Fullerton	Yea
	D. Ratz	Nay
	L. (Gil) Reeves	Nay
	A.D. Roach	Yea
	K. Weber	Nay
	D. Wedgwood	Yea

A meeting was set for Friday October 29th at 9:00 a.m. with all members of Council available to be in attendance. Clerk and Public Works personnel will also be in attendance.

Councillor Wedgwood brought Council's attention to the SWOT analysis from the Blind River District Health Centre regarding **physician recruitment**. He asked that if anyone on Council had any questions and/or suggestions to contact him in order that he can bring items to the next meeting to be held November 12.

Councillor Reeves advised that the **Tally Ho Park** Committee is looking into the possibility of installing light fixtures provided they can be purchased and installed within the budget approved for the park project. J. I. Enterprises submitted the lowest quote for the supply and placement of sod and have indicated they would be able to lay the sod this fall prior to winter freeze up.

04-26-19
G. Reeves
D. Wedgwood

WHEREAS quotations were requested and obtained to supply and lay **sod at the Tally Ho Park**;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we contract the services of J I Enterprises in the amount of $2,850.00 plus taxes for said service.
CARRIED.

8-2. Maternity Leave Replacement Advertisement.

04-26-20
G. Reeves
A. Roach

THAT we advertise in the North Shore Sentinel and The Sault Star for a **Maternity Leave Replacement** for the period commencing November 22/04 to February 24/06 CARRIED.

8-3. ADMAS – Executive Summary.
Clerk advised that at this point, she would like Council to consider participating in a steering committee to investigate establishing a non-profit corporation, comprised of various Northern Ontario Municipalities, to administer/provide services that would be cost prohibitive (ie. software applications), if attempted as a single municipality.

04-26-21
K. Weber
D. Ratz

THAT we participate in a Steering Committee with various Municipalities via **Algoma District Municipal Application Service** to study the requirement of a non-profit corporation;
AND THAT Clerk Deborah Tonelli be authorized to attend said Committee meetings. CARRIED.

8-4. East Algoma Geosmart – Committee Brief.
Subject to the GeoSmart application being approved, but for fewer dollars than applied for, the Committee is recommending to hire the Sault Ste. Marie Innovations Centre to revamp the application to fit the dollars approved, as required by the Ministry of Natural Resources. If we participate, the approximate $641.00 being our share of the $3,500 cost for revising the application, will not be required until, at the earliest, January 2005.

04-26-22
F. Eldner
G. Reeves

THAT we approve the hiring of the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre to provide a proposal for the **revision of the East Algoma GeoSmart Initiative proposals** under a short term contract stipulating final results are to meet funding program requirements and approval of the East Algoma GeoSmart Committee;
AND THAT we agree to share in the proposal update cost with the partner municipalities as outlined in Committee Brief dated October 14, 2004, providing said cost is budgeted and incurred in 2005. CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

9-1. Iron Bridge Early Learning Centre / proposed changes to floor plan of facility.

04-26-23 *J. Fullerton* *G. Reeves*	THAT, providing approved building permit applications are obtained, we approve of the **revised renovations** proposed by All Star Children Services, Iron Bridge Early Learning Centre, as submitted October 19, 2004, to the Municipal building be rented to said organization; AND THAT we authorize the installation of a shed and fencing on said property. CARRIED.

There was discussion that the former medical building would have to be returned to its original state should the Childrens Program be discontinued. This will be addressed in the Rental Agreement.

9-2. Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation / extension of Infrastructure Projects Grant. Extension to January 2006.

04-26-24 *D. Wedgwood* *G. Reeves*	THAT Clerk and Mayor be authorized to sign the letter, dated October 18, 2004, signifying the agreement to **amend** the deadline of the funding **agreement (File #25240)** between the Municipality and **NOHFC** from August 31, 2004 to June 21, 2006. CARRIED.

9-3. City of Timmins / Timmins and District Hospital Functions as a Regional Hospital.

04-26-25 *J. Fullerton* *K. Weber*	THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores, support Resolution #04-347 of the Corporation of the City of Timmins in urging the Ontario Government to designate Timmins and District Hospital as a **Regional Referral Hospital facility**; AND THAT funding levels be adjusted accordingly; AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health & Long Term Care; MPP Mike Brown; Algoma, Cochrane, Manitoulin & Sudbury District Health Council; Algoma District Municipal Association and the Corporation of the City of Timmins. CARRIED.

9-4. City of Timmins / Map Staking as Opposed to Ground Staking of Mining Claims.

04-26-26 *G. Reeves* *D. Ratz*	THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores, support Resolution #04-340 of the Corporation of the City of Timmins in its opposition to the Province of Ontario changing **staking of mining claims** by introducing map staking as opposed to the current ground staking; AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, the Honourable David Ramsay, Minister of Natural Resources, MPP Mike Brown, Algoma District Municipal Association and the City of Timmins. CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

10-1. Growing Strong Communities / Safer Communities Grant
10-2. Iron Bridge Agricultural Society / Fund Raising Plan
10-3. Ministry of Agriculture & Food / 2004/2005 Tile Loan Program
10-4. OSIFA / Low Cost, Longer Term Infrastructure Loan Program
10-5. Prime Minister / Speech from the Throne
10-6. Waste Reduction Week in Canada / October 18-24, 2004
10-7. Ministry of Citizenship & Immigration / Ontarians with Disabilities Act
10-8. Ambassador of Huron Shores / Program Update
10-9. Algoma Health Unit / to Dr. David Butler Jones re: consideration that Sault Ste. Marie be location of Canada's Center for Disease Control.

10-10. Northland Engineering Limited / Response re: Municipal Drainage Concern - Hwy. 17.
10-11. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing / Minister Responsible for Seniors - open letter to stakeholders.
10-12. Ministry of Agriculture and Food / 2004/2005 Tile Loan Program.
10-13. Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities / Information Package - Resolutions.
10-14. Blind River District Health Centre / thank-you for donation.

Council discussed the issue of the provincial announcements that gasoline tax go only to municipalities with transit services and asked that a motion be prepared for the next meeting to express opposition to this initiative.

CLOSED SESSION

04-26-27
J. Fullerton
D. Ratz

THAT we proceed in Camera at 10:05 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:
Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
Labour relations or employee negotiations;
Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; CARRIED.

04-26-28
D. Wedgwood
F. Eldner

THAT we return to Open Session at 10:15 p.m.
CARRIED.

04-26-29
K. Weber
G. Reeves

THAT we do adjourn at 10:16 p.m. CARRIED.

MAYOR CLERK