

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HURON SHORES  
(12-28)**

**November 21, 2012**

The special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012, and called to order by Mayor Gil Reeves at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT WERE:** Mayor Gil Reeves, Councillors Jane Armstrong, Georges Bilodeau, Gord Campbell, Debora Kirby, Ted Linley, Kent Weber and Dale Wedgwood.

**REGRETS:** Councillor Eloise Eldner.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clerk/Administrator Deborah Tonelli; Treasurer Sandra Leach; Public Works Superintendent Tom Dumont; Deputy Clerk Beverly Eagleson.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

None.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is for Council to receive information regarding the legislated requirement that Municipalities in Ontario must establish a "Capital Asset Management Plan" and what Council must do as it moves forward to develop this Plan.

Mayor Reeves opened the meeting by providing information on this matter that was presented by the Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Transportation at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Annual Conference and a presentation by Aime Dimatteo of FEDNOR. Mr. Chiarelli emphasized that the Municipalities that are doing the right thing in long term capital planning will be rewarded in grant applications, and that they will not be bailing out the Municipalities who have not been doing the necessary things to finance capital works. Mayor Reeves added that in Mr. Dimatteo's presentation, he stressed very strongly how the Capital Asset Management Plans will play into applications for any future grant programs through senior levels of government. He also emphasized that no longer is the attitude "if we build it they will come" acceptable. The movement is that before it is built, marketing research, practicality and financing the investment for maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement of the asset in the long term must be proven before projects will be considered for financial support under any government programs in the future. Information recently received from the Province, advises that a Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) program has been announced providing funding for capital works, provided municipalities have or can prove that they have commenced and intend to proceed with development of a Capital Asset Management Plan.

Mayor Reeves thanked Council for convening this evening, highlighting that the purpose of the meeting was for Council to strike awareness and cause each member to reflect on the existing capital assets of this Municipality. He stressed that in order to develop this "Plan", capital assets will need to be prioritized. He emphasized that not only does Council need to consider the current assets of the Municipality, but it must also rationalize and be very prudent in any considerations for investing in any new capital assets, as we move forward into the future.

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Mayor Reeves thanked staff for the time involved to pull together all of the information to be reviewed this evening as well as for their attendance at the meeting for input and discussion.

The meeting was then turned over to Clerk/Administrator Deborah Tonelli who gave a presentation on what a "Capital Asset Management Plan" is, what this municipality has in place thus far that will lead us into development of the "Plan" and what has yet to be done to strike that "Plan".

The information provided by staff was presented by Mayor Reeves who then invited members of Council to share any thoughts, ideas and perspectives on the information brought forward.

It was noted that there may be some tough decisions on the future of capital assets of this Municipality as it moves forward in development of this "Plan" and the ability of this community to finance the current assets not only in the short term but in the long term as well.

Mayor Reeves again thanked all for attending and shared the fact that while consultants will be used in moving through the exercise of developing a Capital Asset Management Plan, the information will flow to them through staff, which will be a lot of work and require a lot of time from staff members.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**12-28-01**  
*K. Weber*  
*D. Kirby*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does adjourn at 8:40 p.m.  
CARRIED.

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MAYOR

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CLERK