

The Corporation Of The Municipality of Magnetawan

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday, October 8th, 2003
7:00 P.M.
Magnetawan Community Centre

Any and All Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by Council at the Regular Meeting of Council

IN ATTENDANCE

Reeve: Sam Dunnett

Councillors: Jack Crossman; Frank Tod; and Charles Wager.

Absent: Bev Graham

Manager, Operations and Roads: Ron Catcher

Clerk/Administrator: Brenda J. Fraser

Members of the Public

Opening Comments - Reeve Sam Dunnett

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- Reeve Sam Dunnett with Arrow Printing

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2003-293

Moved by: Jack Crossman

Seconded by: Charles Wager

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the Minutes of the Council Meeting(s) as presented and circulated:

- Special Meeting of Council on Wednesday, September 24th, 2003, 6:30 p.m.; and
- Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, September 24th, 2003, 7:00 p.m.

Carried.

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DELEGATES

**D1 Howard Ney, Cantechs Communications Ltd.
Ross Ivett, PrairieFire Network Solutions**

Mr. Ney introduced himself to Council and expressed regrets for Mr. Ivett, who was unable to attend this meeting. He then continued by requesting authorization from Council to install a small antenna on our communications tower, to permit a beta test for high speed wireless Internet. Mr. Ney then responded to numerous technical questions, resulting in the following Resolution of Council.

RESOLUTION 2003-294

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Jack Crossman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the installation of a small antenna, by Howard Ney of Cantechs Communications and Ross Ivett of PrairieFire Network Solutions, on the roads communications tower situated at the Magnetawan Fire Hall. **Carried.**

BOARDS / COMMITTEES

C3 Magnetawan Community Development Committee

Walter Winger, Chair of the MCDC, provided a report to Council which detailed the progress of the Cenotaph Project, addressed the Tree Top Tower Project and noted an addition that this Committee has placed in their "Terms of Reference". Mr. Winger offered, for Councils perusal, the tentative, draft program for the upcoming unveiling and dedication of the Cenotaph on November 11, 2003. Mr. Winger addressed a concern expressed by some Councillors, that the Cenotaph budget was over run and was costing the tax payers. He reminded those Councillors that the Cenotaph project is well within budget, that this was their project being administered by the MCDC and that every step of the project was cleared through Council. Council expressed no objections to the proposed changes to the 'Magnetawan Legion Memorial Park' sign, as described by Mr. Winger. Council was in agreement with the addition to the 'Terms of Reference' as submitted by this Committee. Minutes of the MCDC meeting on October 1, 2003 were also provided for Councils information.

REPORTS

OPERATIONS & ROADS REPORT

By Ron Catcher, Manager Operations & Roads

R1 Council supported the request from Don Roberts to extend the winter maintenance on Deer Run Road.

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R2 Ron addressed the concern that the Roads Department was depositing stumps onto private property and clarified that the work done was not in contravention of the statute nor the By-law. He also clarified that there was no damage to Nipissing Road, as alleged.

MOTIONS & DISCUSSIONS

1. Village of Magnetawan, Nipissing Road Bridge Replacement

Council determined to defer discussion of Resolution No. 2003-295 to their next regular meeting on October 22nd, 2003, at which time Council will duly address this issue.

2. By-law to designate School Zone

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2003-296

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Charles Wager

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan introduces By-law No. 2003-31 being a By-law to prescribe a rate of speed for motor vehicles different from the rate of speed set out in Section 128 (1), of the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. c.H-8 and adopts said By-law as being read three (3) times. The Reeve and Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to sign same and to affix the Corporation Seal thereto.

Carried.

3. Rodney and Eileen Pletzer

Council requested that Ron Catcher, Manager, Operations and Roads, review the request from Mr. and Mrs. Pletzer, to construct a school bus turn around just past their property, and provide a report to Council.

4. Central Almaguin Planning Board

Council expressed no comments with regard to Central Almaguin Planning Board application B029/03 - Magnetawan - Scholz/Morrison.

5. The Village of Point Edward

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2003-297

Moved by: Jack Crossman

Seconded by: Charles Wager

Whereas many local charities and non-profit organizations have found that their ability to raise funds through bingo events and lotteries have been seriously affected by the establishment of casinos and slots at racetracks throughout Ontario;

And Whereas the charities and non-profit organizations provide valuable services to the residents of their communities;

And Whereas it is important to replace the lost revenue;
Now Therefore be it resolved that we petition the Ontario Government to take immediate steps to increase the funding for the Trillium Foundation from One Hundred Million (\$100,000,000.00) Dollars to One Hundred and Fifty Million (\$150,000,000.00) Dollars;
And Further that the funding formula be amended from Seven (\$7.00) Dollars per capital to Ten (\$10.00) Dollars per capita;
And Further that the application process be streamlined to allow easier access and faster approval of Trillium Foundation funding.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed the correspondence being:

1. Letter from Margaret Bartlett and Doris Coombs re: Nipissing Road Bridge
2. South Muskoka Memorial Hospital / Algonquin Health Services - news release
3. POA special meeting minutes
4. House of Commons - Youth Criminal Justice Act

ACCOUNTS

RESOLUTION 2003-298

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Jack Crossman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the accounts as presented and circulated in the amount of: Roads (Invoices and Payroll) \$12,103.45; General Government (Invoices and Payroll) \$35,392.06; and Levies \$324,455.45; for a total of \$371,950.96.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS /NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2003-299

Moved by: Charles Wager

Seconded by: Jack Crossman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan accepts the proposal from Totten Sims Hubicki (TSH) to perform the Engineers' Evaluation Reports for our Municipal Water Systems.

Carried.

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RESOLUTION 2003-300

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Jack Crossman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now enter into a 'Closed Session' as per Section 239 of the *Municipal Act 2001*, S.O. 2001, as amended.

Time: 8:45 p.m.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 2003-301

Moved by: Charles Wager

Seconded by: Jack Crossman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now come out of the 'Closed Session'. Time: 9:30 p.m.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2003-302

Moved by: Jack Crossman

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now adjourn.

Time: 10:20 p.m.

Carried.

Sam Dunnett *Reeve*

Brenda J. Fraser *Clerk/Administrator*