

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Magnetawan Community Centre**

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

**1. OPENING COMMENTS**

Deputy Reeve Jack Crossman opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-55**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Dick Smith

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the Minutes of the Council Meeting(s) as presented and circulated.

- 1) Special Meeting of Council on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004;
- 2) Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2004; and
- 3) Special Meeting of Council on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004.

**Carried.**

**4. DELEGATES**

None

**5. APPROVED AGENDA CHANGE**

Deputy Reeve Jack Crossman announced the authorization by Council of a change in the Agenda format to address the vacant position on Council. He also announced that copies of the 'Information Release' that he was about to read, would be available to the public at the break. Deputy Reeve Crossman then read the 'Information Release', attached to these Minutes as 'Schedule A', which included:

- options to Council, according to *The Municipal Act, 2001*;
- the decision of Council to proceed by way of appointment by inviting qualified ratepayers to submit applications;
- the appointment of an Advisory Committee to assist in this process;
- the criteria used to short list;

- the names of the nine (9) applicants who submitted resumes;
- the names of the three (3) people chosen for interviews;
- notification from Kathleen Tod, several days before the scheduled interviews, that she wished to withdraw from the competition;
- at the time of her scheduled interview, Bonnie Brown-Fisher telephoned asking to withdraw her name;
- this left Sam Dunnett as the remaining candidate;
- each Councillor was canvassed as to whether or not they wished to be elevated to the position of Reeve. Each Councillor declined the invitation *and each Councillor individually stated their reasons during this meeting*;
- Council and the Advisory Committee met with Sam Dunnett at his scheduled interview time;
- Council passed Resolution No. 2004-53 appointing Sam Dunnett to fill the vacant seat on Council, being the position of Reeve.

Disorder erupted from the members of the “Magnetawan Ratepayers Association” in attendance, which resulted in the placing of a call to the Almaguin Highlands OPP for assistance, and in the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-56**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Dick Smith

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now adjourn. Time: 7:15 p.m. to resume the meeting at the call of the Chair. **Carried.**

Deputy Reeve Jack Crossman resumed the proceedings of the meeting at 7:30 p.m., at which time, two OPP officers were in attendance.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-57**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Frank Tod

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan introduces By-law No. 2004-08 being a By-law to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Reeve of this Municipality 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.**

Deputy Reeve Jack Crossman read By-law No. 2004-08. The Declaration of Office was then given to Sam Dunnett by the Clerk. Rev. Walter Winger offered the blessing to the new Council.

Deputy Reeve Jack Crossman then turned the meeting over to Reeve Sam Dunnett

## **6. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

### **6.1 C4 Magnetawan Community Development Committee**

Mr. Winger, Chairperson of the MCDC provided a report to Council which included: the Minutes of the February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2004 MCDC meeting; a copy of the preliminary Tower Report; and four recommendations, resulting in the following Resolution.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-58**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Jack Crossman

*Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan* supports, in principle, the recommendations of the Magnetawan Community Development Committee, being:

1. the designation of the municipal property behind the pavilion as the site of choice for preliminary studies related to the building of a treetop tower;
2. the placement of a marker, similar in design to the cenotaph located in the Magnetawan Legion Memorial Park, at an appropriate shore location of Municipal property in Ahmic Harbour, indicating names of the founders of Ahmic Harbour and identifying historic locations in that Hamlet;
3. a working partnership with the Magnetawan Area Business Association, to place appropriate markers similar to the existing aluminum plaques, at carefully selected historic sites within this Municipality; and
4. to pursue fund raising projects for recommendation numbers 2 and 3 by way of grant applications to appropriate agencies and through individual and group donations, both gifts of cash and gifts in kind.

**Carried.**

### **6.2 C6 Magnetawan Library Board**

Minutes of November and December, 2003 meetings were submitted for Councils information.

## **7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **7.1 BY - LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**By James Mahoney, By-Law Control Officer**

Two draft By-laws, as follows, were presented to Council for their consideration:

- 1) By-law to Regulate the location of Entrances to Private Lands and to Provide for a Security Deposit to Cover the Cost of Damage to Municipal Roads;
- 2) By-law to regulate the use of Off-Road Vehicles within the Municipality.

Both By-laws will be reviewed further, at a future meeting of Council.

**8) MOTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS**

**8.1 ARI**

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-59**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Jack Crossman

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan accepts the Almaguin Recycling Initiative 2004 Draft Budget, attached hereto as Schedule "A".

**Carried.**

**8.2 AHSPIC**

Councillor Frank Tod declared 'Conflict of Interest' with regard to this discussion. Minutes of this Committees' January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2004 meeting and the Agenda for their February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Meeting were provided for Councils information. The following resolution resulted in response to the request for a one time contribution of \$100.00 for bumper stickers/window stickers and the request for a second contribution of \$100.00 for lapel pins.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-60**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Dick Smith

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan will donate \$100.00 towards lapel pins as promoted by Almaguin Highlands Strategic Plan Implementation Committee. **Carried.**

**8.3 Richard Watts**

Council determined to address Mr. Watts' request for Council to consider reviewing the density ratio in the Multiple Residential Zone in By-law 2001-26, during the next Housekeeping By-law.

**8.4 The East Parry Sound Regional Science Fair**

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-61**

**Moved by:** Dick Smith

**Seconded by:** Frank Tod

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan will contribute \$50.00 towards the East Parry Sound Regional Science Fair. **Carried.**

Prior to providing copies of the "Information Release", Council passed the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-62**

**Moved by:** Jack Crossman

**Seconded by:** Sam Stewart

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the issuance of the "Information Release", attached hereto as Schedule "A". **Carried.**

### 8.5 Women's Own Resource Centre

Councillor Dick Smith declared a 'Conflict of Interest' with regard to this discussion. Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-63**

**Moved by:** Jack Crossman

**Seconded by:** Sam Stewart

Be it Resolved that The Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports, in principle, the Women's Own Resource Centre proposal to the Canadian Women's Foundation for funding for the training and hiring of three (3) Rural Outreach Program Endeavour facilitators. **Carried.**

### 8.6 Village of Burk's Falls

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-64**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Dick Smith

Whereas the Parry Sound Muskoka region is an economically depressed area of the Province;  
And Whereas in order to attract business, reasonably priced high speed Internet service is necessary;  
An Whereas the Province signed an agreement with the Muskoka Community Network on May 5, 2003, to commit funds towards a project to provide high speed Internet for this region;  
And Whereas no funding has been received to this point;  
Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan urges the Province to commit funds for this project as soon as possible and to inform us as to where the project stands at present. **Carried.**

### 8.7 Pitch-In Canada

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-65**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Jack Crossman

*Whereas* hundreds of thousands of Canadians show their concern for the environment and their communities each year by participating in PITCH-IN CANADA projects to: clean up and rejuvenate local neighborhoods, green spaces, ravines, waterways and illegal dump sites; restore habitats; and to establish composting and recycling projects;

*And Whereas* PITCH-IN CANADA, a national organization comprised of eco-action and community volunteers, believes that maintaining a quality environment is everyone's responsibility;

*And Whereas* PITCH-IN CANADA encourages voluntary action to: keep communities clean and beautiful; restore and maintain a healthy environment; and instigate civic pride ;

*Now therefore* the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan declares the week of April 21 - 27, 2004 as "**PITCH-IN CANADA Week**" in the Municipality of Magnetawan and invite all citizens in our Community to actively support the theme of the 2004 campaign - "**Be ecoActive!**".

**Carried.**

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

Council reviewed the following items of correspondence:

1. Township of Ryerson - next South East Parry Sound District Steering Committee meeting
2. Ministry of Natural Resources - notice of Plan Inspection French/Severn Forest Management Unit - Forest Management Plan 2004-2024
3. Professional Association of Internes and Residents of Ontario
4. OGRA - welcomes new deal for Municipalities
5. Owen Sound - OSUM 2004
6. Ontario Pharmacists' Association - seminars addressing the safe use of medications to seniors across Ontario
7. Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration - Volunteer awards

**10. ACCOUNTS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-66**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**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) \$18,823.55; General Government (Invoices and Payroll) \$26,075.51; and Levies \$8,527.16; for a total of \$53,426.22.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-67**

**Moved by:** Jack Crossman

**Seconded by:** Sam Stewart

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: 9:20 p.m.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-68**

**Moved by:** Dick Smith

**Seconded by:** Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now come out of the 'Closed Session'.

Time: 9:35 p.m.

**Carried.**

**11. OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**(for next Council Agenda)

None noted.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-69**

**Moved by:** Sam Stewart

**Seconded by:** Jack Crossman

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

Time: 9:40 p.m.

**Carried.**

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Sam Dunnett, *Reeve*

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Brenda J. Fraser, *Clerk/Administrator*