

The Corporation Of The Municipality of Magnetawan

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday, January 28th, 2004
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

Deputy Reeve: Jack Crossman
Councillors: Dick Smith; and Frank Tod.

Manager, Operations & Roads: Ron Catcher
Clerk/Administrator: Brenda J. Fraser

Regrets: Councillor Sam Stewart

Members of the Public

Opening Comments - Deputy Reeve, Jack Crossman

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2004-27

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

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

- Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, January 14th, 2004. **Carried.**

DELEGATES

7:00 p.m. Brenda MacDonald, Team Leader, Employment Resource Centre

Ms. MacDonald attended Council to request a partnership with our Municipality in order that the Employment Resource Centre may provide an Outreach Program for community members who may not be able to visit their Centre in Burk's Falls. Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-28

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan, will partner, for a two month trial period commencing in February, 2004 and ending in March, 2004, with the Employment Resource Centre in Burk's Falls, to provide an appropriate space in order that that Centre may offer an Outreach Program for our community. **Carried.**

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

C1 Central Almaguin Planning Board

January Minutes provided for Councils information.

C3 Magnetawan Area Community Centre Board

December Minutes provided for Councils information.

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2004-29

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan introduces By-law No. 2004-05, being a By-law to establish The Magnetawan Area Community Centre Board and adopts said By-law as being read three (3) times. The Reeve/Deputy Reeve and Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to sign same and to affix the Corporation Seal thereto. **Carried.**

RESOLUTION 2004-30

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the Treasurer to advance \$25,000.00 to the Magnetawan Community Centre Board, toward their 2004 Budget. **Carried.**

C4 Magnetawan Community Development Committee

Draft January 2004 Minutes submitted for Council's information.

REPORTS

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

By James Mahoney, By-law Enforcement Officer

E1 Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2004-31

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan introduces By-law No. 2004-06, being a By-law to appoint a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer and adopts said By-law as being read three (3) times. The Reeve/Deputy Reeve and Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to sign same and to affix the Corporation Seal thereto. **Carried.**

RESOLUTION 2004-32

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan introduces By-law No. 2004-07, being a By-law to approve a contract agreement with the By-law Enforcement Officer and adopts said By-law as being read three (3) times. The Reeve/Deputy Reeve and Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to sign same and to affix the Corporation Seal thereto. **Carried.**

A draft By-law to regulate the use of Off-Road Vehicles with the Township was provided for Council's consideration.

ROADS

By Ron Catcher, Manager, Operations and Roads

R1 Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-33

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes winter maintenance for the portion of sidewalk extending from 4247 Hwy 520 to 4303 Hwy 520, in the Village of Magnetawan. **Carried.**

R2 With regard to the inquiry for repairs to the dock located at the eastern side of the Magnetawan Centennial Park, Council requested a cost to replace this dock with a new one. Ron to include this information during Budget discussions.

R3 Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-34

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the Roads Superintendent to participate in the Bulk Tend with the Almaguin Roads Supervisors Association for calcium chloride and culverts, as per Schedules "A" and "B" attached. **Carried.**

- R4** Council directed Ron to compose a business plan regarding the condition of the bridges in the Municipality of Magnetawan. Deliberation of Council will then determine where the balance of the NTA funding will be spent.

MOTIONS & DISCUSSIONS

1. Bill Green, Ahmic Lake Cottagers Association

In response to the request put forward by Mr. Green on behalf of the Ahmic Lake Cottagers Association, requesting that the Municipality of Magnetawan assume the job of collecting the garbage from the Cottage Association garbage shed located at the Magnetawan dock, Council determined to not provide this service.

2. Village of South River

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-35

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports, in principle, the FedNor Application by the Village of South River and the Association for the Promotion of Arts, Recreation and Culture, for a project that will be assisting in the marketing and promoting of Almaguin Highlands events, with emphasis on the events in the Villages of South River and Sundridge, the Townships of Joly, Machar and Strong, and the adjacent unincorporated townships of Lount, Laurier and Ballantyne. **Carried.**

3. Women's Own Resource Centre

With regard to the request for financial support from Brenda Scott, Executive Director of the Women's Own Resource Centre, Council requested that a presentation be made to Council, prior to their decision.

4. Township of McMurrich/Monteith

Council deferred discussion regarding support of a resolution to regulate ATV traffic on Municipal roads until they have discussed their draft By-law in detail.

5. City of Sarnia

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2004-36

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan requests that the new McGuinty government immediately review the current assessment system and correct a number of the injustices that are occurring and also, review the so-called “tax fairness legislation” that is mandating communities to shift the tax burden from multi-residential industrial commercial to residential.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 2004-37

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan requests the Minister of Finance to undertake a review of MPAC’s role and responsibility with a view, in particular, to improve the quality of assessment service delivered and to improve customer service. **Carried.**

6. Municipality of West Elgin

Council did not support the request from the Municipality of West Elgin regarding omitted assessment for trailers.

7. City of Oxford

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-38

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

WHEREAS OSTAR percentage of funding from both the Provincial and Federal governments for water system upgrades has not been established to date for many Municipalities;

AND WHEREAS increased expenditures to comply with Ontario Drinking Water Standards (ODWS) regulations are going to impact dramatically, the capital upgrade expenditures for Ontario Municipalities and eventually user fees for their residents;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan hereby requests that the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada commit their fair share of the funding of capital upgrade expenditures for water, i.e. one third being paid by each level of government. **Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed the correspondence being:

1. Ontario Provincial Police - letter
2. Algonquin Health Services - invitation
3. Parry Sound/Muskoka Early Years System - Annual Report to the Community
4. West Parry Sound Health Centre - “Hustle for Health”
5. Discovery Routes - Annual General Meeting notice
6. Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters - spring bear hunt

ACCOUNTS

RESOLUTION 2004-39

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

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) \$10,014.97; General Government (Invoices and Payroll) \$36,911.76; and Levies \$104,295.75; for a total of \$151,222.48.

Carried.

Discussion of Council resulted in the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2004-40

Moved by: Frank Tod

Seconded by: Dick Smith

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes payment to the law firm of Russell, Christie, Miller, Koughan, Winnitoy, of the account for legal services incurred by Sandy Coombs (Reeve elect) on November 24, 2003.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 2004-41

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan instructs the Clerk/Administrator to advise the Solicitors and Planners acting on behalf of the Municipality of Magnetawan, that inquiries to their offices from persons other than the Municipal Staff, must be billed to the person making the inquiry.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2004-42

Moved by: Dick Smith

Seconded by: Frank Tod

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

Time: 8:40 p.m.

Carried.

Jack Crossman, Deputy Reeve

Brenda J. Fraser, Clerk/Administrator