MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
HELD ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2011 AT 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR
Ron Lane

CLERK
Annette Clarke

TREASURER
Pam Bond

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:
Harry Vanderweerden
Lou Addison
Yvonne Bailey

COUNCILLORS ABSENT:
Wes Bentley
Betsy Clark
Jack Clark

OTHERS:
Tom Sasvari, Manitoulin Recorder

12707 Moved by Harry Vanderweerden Seconded by Lou Addison
THAT the following changes be made to the February 14, 2011 agenda:

1. Item 2, January 14th be changed to January 10th;
2. Item 4, Add i) By-law No. 2011-04 re: Confirmatory By-law

Carried

12708 Moved by Yvonne Bailey Seconded by Lou Addison
THAT the minutes of the January 10, 2011 meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

12709 Moved by Harry Vanderweerden Seconded by Yvonne Bailey
WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT the group of volunteers working on ideas and projects to promote and enhance activities on the waterfront be designated as “Friends of the Waterfront”.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves this recommendation.

Carried
Moved by Harry Vanderweerden  
Seconded by Lou Addison

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT Annette be authorized to notify Gordon’s Lodge that the Town feels they have sufficient evidence that the sewer service is there and in use and further that the Town feels it is up to the property owner to provide evidence otherwise and that the Town will continue to invoice for this service;

AND FURTHER THAT Pat Hudson accompany Mr. Brennan from MOE for a site visit to inspect existing services; and further that the MOE be carbon copied on this letter.

AND WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on February 9, 2011 amending the above resolution thereby removing paragraph 2;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recommendation as amended by the Public Works and Properties Committee.

Carried

Moved by Yvonne Bailey  
Seconded by Lou Addison

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT we proceed with advertising for the following positions in the Public Works department:

   a) One summer student – July/August, 40 hours per week;
   b) One seasonal position – May 16 to October 15, 40 hours per week

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this recommendation.

Carried

Moved by Harry Vanderweerden  
Seconded by Lou Addison

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT we proceed with hiring Riverside Enterprises to supply garbage bins at the marina for the 2011 season as per their submitted quotation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this recommendation.

Carried
WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on February 9, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT the Town of Gore Bay compensate Island Pantry for flood water cleanup and cost of water damages to inventory in the amount of $251.70 as submitted by Rene Proulx on behalf of Island Pantry;
2. THAT the claim for damages associated with loss of sewer service be denied.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this recommendation.

Carried

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on February 9, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT the Tourist Information Centre be relocated to the Old Municipal Building.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this recommendation.

Carried

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on February 9, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT advertisements be placed in the local newspapers and on the Town Website inviting proposals for the use of the Red Roof Pavilion.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this recommendation.

Carried

WHEREAS the Public Works and Properties Committee met on February 9, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT the 2011 Dockage Rates be increased by 5% across the board.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council tables this recommendation.

Carried
THAT all recommendations of the January 24, 2011 General Government Committee Meeting excepting:

i) Legion Request
ii) Great Lakes Cruising Club Request

Be tabled until the Committee of Whole meeting for budget discussions.

FURTHER THAT the website resolution be tabled to the March 14, 2011 Council Meeting.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation to Council:

1. THAT the Royal Canadian Legion be granted tax relief for the term of this Council being 2011-2014.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation to Council:

1. Use of 30’ x 60’ Tent plus labour to put up and take down
2. Use of Tables and Chairs for 200
3. Use of Ron McQuarrie Memorial Gazebo
4. Use of a few picnic tables on Monday, July 11th
5. Use of a park area near the tennis courts to place the tent
6. Use of a park area on the waterfront south of the skateboard ramp for volleyball

AND WHEREAS research indicates the rendezvous has proven to be a profitable and successful event at other marinas;

AND WHEREAS other municipal/marina hosts have absorbed the costs associated with facility rentals plus plus;

AND WHEREAS the General Government Committee feels the dockage revenue could offset the costs associated with the rental of the tent/tables and chairs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee recommends to Council that the Great Lakes Cruising Club be granted their request in its entirety as outlined above.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried
THAT the following motions contained in the General Government Committee Minutes of February 8, 2011 be tabled until the Committee of the Whole meeting:

1) Council Remuneration;
2) Staff Remuneration;
3) Residential Rent Increases;
4) Commercial Rent Increases.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on February 8, 2011 and made the following recommendation to Council:

1. THAT the Town commit to the following publications for the 2011 season:
   
a) Georgian Bay Magazine Full Page $585.00
b) Blue Water Vacation Guide ½ Page $828.00
c) MTA Membership $150.00
d) Billboard – MTO Rental Fees 4 @ $150 ea. $600.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on February 8, 2011 and made the following recommendation to Council:

1. THAT we put out a request for quotation to provide IT Support Services for the Town of Gore Bay based on an hourly rate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on February 8, 2011 and made the following recommendation to Council:

1. THAT the “Taste of Manitoulin” organization be advised the Town of Gore Bay supports their idea in principle but is unable to commit any staff time to organize the events in Gore Bay.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried
Moved by Lou Addison  Seconded by Yvonne Bailey

WHEREAS the Citizen Services Committee met on January 24, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT a BBQ be held on April 13, 2011 for National Volunteer Week at the Community Hall at noon for the volunteers of Gore Bay; hotdogs, hamburgers, beverages and dessert to be served.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

Moved by Harry Vanderweerden  Seconded by Yvonne Bailey

WHEREAS the Museum Board met on February 10, 2011 and made the following recommendation:

1. THAT the Museum Board be authorized to establish their own Hiring Committee for the purpose of hiring summer students for the 2011 season.

Carried

Moved by Harry Vanderweerden  Seconded by Lou Addison

THAT By-law No. 2011-04 receive its first reading this 14th day of February, 2011.

Carried

Moved by Harry Vanderweerden  Seconded by Lou Addison

THAT By-law No. 2011-04 receive its second and third readings and finally passed this 14th day of February, 2011.

Carried

Moved by Lou Addison  Seconded by Yvonne Bailey

WHEREAS the Provincial Municipal Fiscal and Service Delivery Review (PMFSDR) final report was released on October 31, 2008;

AND WHEREAS the PMFSDR Infrastructure Table concluded that the infrastructure investment gap per household for Northern Ontario municipalities is generally higher than other regions in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the PMFSDR Fiscal Health table concluded that the fiscal health of Northern municipalities is poorer than other regions of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS Northern Ontario municipalities are more reliant on funding from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) than other regions of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS many municipalities in Northern Ontario have seen a reduction in their OMPF equal to their upload benefits resulting in very little net upload benefit for several years;
AND WHEREAS the net upload benefits per household for the Northern Ontario region are and further forecasted to be well below the net upload benefits per household for all other regions of the Province;

AND WHEREAS many municipalities in Northern Ontario have had to raise taxes and use reserves to address their Infrastructure Deficit;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of Ontario increase the Northern Communities Grant, on the OMPF by $75.00 per Household, to ensure all Municipalities in the North will receive the necessary "Required Support".

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Dalton McGuinty, Minister of Finance Dwight Duncan, to FONOM and to the Leaders of the Opposition.

Carried

12729 Moved by Lou Addison Seconded by Yvonne Bailey

WHEREAS the Island Wide Waste Management Committee is requesting each municipality to appoint a representative;

AND WHEREAS the first meeting is February 16, 2011;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Harry Vanderweerden be appointed to represent Gore Bay on the Island Wide Waste Management Committee.

Carried

12730 Moved by Yvonne Bailey Seconded by Lou Addison

WHEREAS the Gore Bay Fish Hatchery has been operating since 1986 and has planted over 2.7 million fish including Chinook Salmon and Rainbow Trout in the waters around Manitoulin Island;

AND WHEREAS the Gore Bay Fish Hatchery currently has 96,000 chinook fingerlings which will be planted in June 2011;

AND WHEREAS the sport fishing industry contributes hundreds of thousands of dollars to the Manitoulin and North Shore area economies each year;

AND WHEREAS the Gore Bay Fish Hatchery must acquire long term funding if it is to continue in operation beyond June 2011;

AND WHEREAS the Gore Bay Fish and Game Club, the volunteer group which operates the fish hatchery, has requested the assistance of the Town of Gore Bay with respect to accessing donations and other funding for the long term operation of the hatchery;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Gore Bay contact other municipalities on Manitoulin Island and the North Shore, on behalf of the Gore Bay Fish and Game Club, to request long term funding support for the hatchery.

Carried
WHEREAS a world class sports fishing industry is key to economic growth in Manitoulin District and other parts of Northern Ontario;

AND WHEREAS sports fishing in northern Lake Huron is on the verge of collapse;

AND WHEREAS the current Lake Huron Rehabilitation Plan proposed by the Ministry of Natural Resources only calls for the planting of Lake Trout in Lake Huron and only in very limited quantities in the waters surrounding Manitoulin Island;

AND WHEREAS only the planting of diverse species of fish can adequately support a healthy sport fishery;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Minister of Natural Resources be petitioned to review the current Lake Huron Rehabilitation Plan and to amend it to include the planting of diverse species of fish including Chinook Salmon and Rainbow Trout;

2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Association (FONOM) and all municipalities in the Manitoulin – North Shore area for their support;

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Natural Resources, MPP Michael Brown, MP Carol Hughes and the leaders of the Opposition Parties in the Ontario Legislature.

Carried

THAT we now adjourn to meet March 14, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

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MAYOR

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CLERK