MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015 AT 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Ron Lane

COUNCILLORS: Kevin Woestenenk, Larry Eirikson, Yvonne Bailey, Ken Blodgett

CAO/CLERK: Annette Clarke

OTHERS: Tom Sasvari, Reporter, Recorder; Lou Addison; Chris Blodgett; Jordan Chandler

ABSENT:
COUNCILLORS: Jack Clark, Dan Osborne

Ron Lane declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to item 8 ii) Realtor Bids.
Ken Blodgett declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to item 5 v) North Channel Cruise Lines.

13706 Yvonne Bailey Ken Blodgett

THAT the following items be added to the February 9, 2015 Council Agenda:

Item 6 v) a) January 28, 2015 Minutes of Breakwater Project
Item 6 ix) Manitoulin Planning Board a) Minutes of January 27, 2015
Item 8 ii) Opening of Realtor Bids

Carried

13707 Larry Eirikson Kevin Woestenenk

THAT the minutes of the January 12, 2015 Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

13708 Ken Blodgett Kevin Woestenenk

WHEREAS Nicole Weppler has made a request to Gore Bay Council to pay for supply and install of a 3M brand sun control film on the window of the 1st floor, studio 1 of the Gore Bay Harbour Centre at a cost of $1,487.00 plus HST;

AND WHEREAS at the present time there are no window treatments, the window is very large and the light and heat coming in the window are unbearable to the tenant of studio 1;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the supply and install of a 3M brand Prestige 70 Sun Control film by Sudbury Window Tinting in the amount of $1,487.00 plus hst to the window of the 1st floor, studio 1 of the Gore Bay Harbour Centre subject to the Harbour Centre paying 50% of the cost.

Carried

Ken Blodgett
Kevin Woestenenk

WHEREAS the Ontario Ministry of Transportation is providing an opportunity to Council to provide comments and participate in consultation activities for Ontario’s default speed limit proposal;

AND WHEREAS this legislation would impact the current default speed limit of 50 km/hr and require municipalities to sign these changes;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council participate in the consultation activities by completing the questionnaire and advising the Ministry of Transportation that Gore Bay prefers Option 4 permitting municipalities to set a different default speed limit inside municipal boundaries or neighbourhoods, and require the posting of a sign at each entry point of the municipality/ neighbourhood.

Carried

Kevin Woestenenk
Larry Eirikson

WHEREAS World Autism Awareness Day is April 2, 2015;

AND WHEREAS Autism Ontario is inviting municipalities to proclaim April 2, 2015 as World Autism Awareness Day and to participate in the 2015 “Raise the Flag” campaign;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council agrees to proclaim April 2, 2015 as World Autism Awareness Day and that the Town of Gore Bay participate in the 2015 “Raise the Flag” campaign.

Carried

Kevin Woestenenk
Ken Blodgett

WHEREAS Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long treasured postal services – killing good jobs, eliminating door to door delivery, drastically increasing postage rates and closing, downsizing and reducing hours at post offices;

AND WHEREAS Canada Post did not properly consult on these changes, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be most affected;

AND WHEREAS closing and downsizing post offices, reducing post office hours, and eliminating door to door delivery will reduce service and eliminate thousands of jobs in communities throughout our country.

AND WHEREAS Canada Post offers a public service that needs to be protected;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Gore bay write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that calls on the government to reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post, and to look instead for ways to increase service and revenues in areas such as postal banking;

FURTHER that the Town of Gore Bay ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to public postal service.

WHEREAS Chris Blodgett on behalf of North Channel Cruise Line has submitted a request to partner with the Town of Gore Bay for Gore Bay Harbour Days weekend;

AND WHEREAS Chris’s proposal includes the following:

1. Operating his Cruise Line from Little Current to Gore Bay on July 25th, arriving at 5 p.m., passengers disembarking to partake in fish fry;
2. Cruise Line would then offer a Sunset Tour from 7:30 arriving back at Gore Bay docks at 10:30 p.m., passengers disembarking to attend dance.
3. Partner with Town of Gore Bay to offer a bus shuttle service from Little Current to and from Gore Bay; leaving Gore Bay at approximately 8 p.m. (after fish fry) and 1 a.m. (2 a.m.) (after dance).
4. North Channel Cruise Line will provide inclusion of Harbour Days to their publicity campaign which will likely include radio, newspaper, website and poster contributions.

AND WHEREAS in exchange for offering this proposal, which could potentially bring in a larger crowd to the fish fry and dance on Harbour Days Weekend, Chris Blodgett is proposing the Town of Gore Bay provide free dockage for his 75’ cruise liner totaling $132.00 and that his tour products be prominently included in any forms of advertising we plan to undertake for Harbour Days.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council agrees to partner with Chris Blodgett of North Channel Cruise Lines as described above subject to costs associated with the shuttle service being approved by the Service Club Committee which is responsible for Harbour Days budgeting.

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 20, 2015 and made the following recommendations:

1. THAT the Town of Gore Bay contribute $3,000.00 to the Physician Recruitment Program subject to participating by all benefiting municipalities;
2. THAT Jack Clark be appointed to represent the Town of Gore Bay on the Physician Recruitment Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the above recommendations.
WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 20, 2015 and made the following recommendations:

1. THAT Susan Garlock’s lease for the first floor of the Red Roof Pavilion be terminated as per her request.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the above recommendation.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 20, 2015 and made the following recommendations:

1. THAT $5,000.00 be placed in the 2015 budget for the construction of a building to house an Information Centre to be located at the corner of Hwy 540 and 540B subject to negotiating use of the land;
2. THAT administration apply for two students to work at the Information Centre

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves recommendation number 2 and that recommendation number 1 be referred to Committee of the Whole for 2015 budget consideration.

Defeated

THAT By-law No. 2015-03 re: confirmatory by-law receive its first, second, and third readings and finally passed this 9th day of February, 2015.

Carried

THAT By-law No. 2015-04 re: Authorizing signing of FedNor funding agreement receive its first, second and third readings and finally passed this 9th day of February, 2015.

Carried

THAT Marg Hague be authorized to attend the North Channel Marine Tourism Council Annual General Meeting to be held in Blind River on April 17 & 18, 2015.

Carried
WHEREAS Section 226 of the Municipal Act, allows with the permission of the Head of Council to appoint an Acting Head of Council;

AND WHEREAS the Head of Council has declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item 8 ii) on the Council Agenda;

AND WHEREAS the designated Acting Head of Council is absent from this meeting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 226 of the Municipal Act Gore Bay Council, with the permission of the Head of Council, appoints Ken Blodgett as Acting Head of Council for the purpose of Item 8 ii) on the February 9, 2015 Council agenda.

Carried

WHEREAS bids were requested from Realtors for the purpose of listing Parts 2 and 3, Plan 31R3972 being Lot 20, East Range, Gordon Twp., Part of PIN 47108-0147 for sale;

AND WHEREAS the following bids were received by the deadline of 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2015:

1. McLaughlin Manitoulin Inc. - 5% Commission Rate
2. Manitoulin Island Real Estate - 6% Commission Rate

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the bid from McLaughlin Manitoulin Inc. for 5% Commission Rate be accepted.

Carried

THAT we enter an in camera session at 8:46 p.m. to discuss the following:

i) Staff
   ii) Disposition of Property

Carried

THAT Council comes out of in camera session at 9:32 p.m. and reenter the regular council meeting.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on February 2, 2015 and made the following recommendations:
1. THAT the position of Assistant Clerk be offered to Nicole Gaudette at the rate of pay determined in camera.
2. Further if she does not accept the position that the information agreed upon in camera be followed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the above recommendation subject to a three month probation.

Carried

13724 Kevin Bailey     Yvonne Bailey

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 20, 2015 and made the following recommendations:

1. THAT the CAO/Clerk be given an 8% Pay for Performance Bonus based on 2014 Performance Review.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the above recommendation.

Carried

13725 Larry Eirikson     Ken Blodgett

THAT Resolution No. 13703 be amended by changing the minimum bid from $20,000.00 to $5,000.00.

Carried

13726 Yvonne Bailey

THAT Council adjourn to meet March 9, 2015.

Carried

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