



- iv) Residential Tenancy – Annette asked if Committee had given any further thought how to administer this program. Tabled.
- v) Property Standards – Annette advised letters are being drafted and sent out this week.

#### **4. Correspondence**

- i) Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy – They are requesting a grant of \$5,000.00 towards the costs associated with constructing a new parking lot for the Cup & Saucer Trail. This is not a budgeted item in 2017. Request denied. Accepted as information.
- ii) reThink Green – Community Energy Planning - reThink Green has funding from Environmental Defence to initiate the process of community energy planning in small Northeastern Ontario municipalities. Five communities will be selected from the Sudbury, Manitoulin, Algoma and Nipissing Districts. If Gore Bay is interested in the program they have agreed to meet with us on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 p.m. Committee agreed to meet with them on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 p.m. to coincide with our regular meeting.

#### **5. New Business**

- i) Request for Free Facility Rental - A request has been received from Guinevere Joy for the use of the Gore Bay Community Hall or Pavilion free of charge for a fundraiser for Cuso International. The donation will be placed in the name of Former Flame. Given the fact the fundraiser is not raising monies that go directly back into the Community, the Town of Gore Bay's policy is to deny such requests. Annette is to notify her of this decision.
- ii) National Wall of Remembrance Association – Requesting financial donation to the establishment of a War Memorial in Kingston, Ontario. Committee discussed but felt it was not in the budget and therefore request denied.
- iii) Health & Safety Coordinator – Central Manitoulin has submitted a draft of the Agreement for a Joint Health & Safety Coordinator. The only municipalities agreeing to participate are Gore Bay, Tehkummah, Billings and Central Manitoulin. The approximate cost for 2017 for Gore Bay would be \$3800.00 which is not budgeted. In 2018 the estimated cost is \$7700.00. This is based on one day per week. Council previously approved participation subject to reviewing an agreement and knowing how many partners would be involved.

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that the Health & Safety Coordinator agreement be approved as submitted.

Carried

- iv) Pavilion Rentals – Rental requests for private parties have started to come in. We have had two in July and have a request for 2018. The current rate is \$50.00 per day plus cleanup is the responsibility of the user. Annette suggested the rates be reviewed and a policy put in place for usage of the facility if the Town wants to continue to make the space available for this purpose. Discussion ensued. There were concerns regarding liability insurance. Licensed events are required to have Party Alcohol Liability Insurance. Unlicensed events currently do not have to have insurance. Committee was concerned with the risk associated with this. Annette advised this had previously been discussed and the decision was made not to require it because of the additional cost to users. Annette is to look into insurance coverage and costs and report back. It was agreed that a damage deposit, same as community hall should be paid. Annette advised that there is a risk associated with moving the tables/chairs up and down the stairs. Currently the Churches use some of the tables/chairs for Friday Farmers Markets. Committee felt the tables/chairs need to be part of the rental of the upstairs and therefore the tables/chairs need to remain upstairs. Farmers Market Church Groups are to be advised that they can use the wooden tables/chairs from turkey plant or supply their own. This will not take effect until 2018. It was agreed that the rate be \$50.00 per day for every day it is in use including decorating, set up, cleanup time. Annette will draft a policy and take to council for consideration.

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT a policy be drafted for the rental of the pavilion and be presented to Council at the next regular meeting.

Carried

- v) Financing for Fitness Centre – Jack put forward a proposal to council. Three year plan that would see Gore Bay and Gordon contribute \$5000 up front for equipment costs and Gore Bay would cover cost of building, ie. Heating, insurance, cleaning, etc. 100% of membership would go back into equipment. Suggested taking a loan from the reserve. It is estimated that it will cost \$65,000 for start up costs. Once all the costs have been established they will put together a business plan including financial and build a funding program and present to Council.
- vi) Manitoulin Countryfest – Craig Timmermans has made a request for the use of 200 white chairs free of charge for August 10, 11, 12. This equates to a \$300.00 donation. He also asked if we would deliver them. Annette advised the Town would not arrange delivery or pickup of the chairs. Craig said he would put up a sign acknowledging the donation of the Town. Committee agreed to make the donation subject to chairs being returned in same condition, non damaged and cleaned. Any damaged chairs must be replaced.
- vii) Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command – They are asking the Town to purchase a business card ad in the Military Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$275.00 incl. taxes.

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT we purchase a business size ad for \$275.00 including taxes in the Military Service Recognition Book.

Carried

**6. Information**

Nevin Merrylees has provided a boardwalk estimate which was approved at the Public Works Committee on Monday evening. This option will be more economical and less invasive than installing pre engineered bridges.

**7. In Camera**

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the General Government Committee enter an in camera session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss Staff.

Carried

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the General Government Committee come out of camera at 10:04 p.m. and reenter the regular committee meeting.

Carried

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the General Government Committee recommends to Council that the Severance Package be reinstated for all full time permanent employees.

Carried

**8. Adjournment**

Moved by Deborah Woods

THAT we adjourn at 10:10 p.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted by  
Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer