MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12th, 2018 AT 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Ron Lane

COUNCILLORS: Kevin Woestenenk, Yvonne Bailey, Jack Clark, Ken Blodgett

CAO/CLERK: Annette Clarke

ABSENT: Dan Osborne, Larry Eirikson

OTHERS: Tom Sasvari, Reporter, Lou Addison, Stasia Carr

Kevin Woestenenk declared direct pecuniary interest with regard to Agenda Item 8. iii).

Ron Lane declared direct pecuniary interest with regard to Agenda Item 6. ii).

14331 Kevin Woestenenk Yvonne Bailey

THAT the following changes/additions be made to the February 12, 2018 Council agenda:

1. Add Item Section 3 v) Town of Lakeshore re: Sharing of Tax Revenue with Municipalities.

    Carried

14332 Jack Clark Kevin Woestenenk

THAT the minutes of the January 8, 2018 Council meeting be adopted as presented.

    Carried

14333 Jack Clark Ken Blodgett

WHEREAS the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxilliary Inc. is requesting a financial donation to the Angel Bus of $1,000.00 or more;

THERE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council authorizes placing a $1,000.00 donation into the 2018 draft budget for consideration and approval.

    Carried
WHEREAS a coalition of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) and the Residential Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario have successfully applied to have a review of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process conducted under Part IV) (Section 61) of the Environmental Bill of Rights Act, 1993 (EBR Act);

AND WHEREAS impact studies and public meetings required by the MCEA process often take two years or more to complete before construction can commence;

AND WHEREAS MCEA requirements to evaluate alternatives are often not well aligned with prior or municipal land use planning decisions;

AND WHEREAS analysis by the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO) has demonstrated that the time to complete an EA rose from 19 months to 26.7 months and costs went from an average of $113,300 to $386,500;

AND WHEREAS the Auditor General of Ontario has tabled recommendations for modernizing the MCEA process;

AND WHEREAS in spite of written commitments made by the Ministry of Environment between 2013-2015, no action has been taken;

AND WHEREAS local projects that do not have the necessary approvals could lose out on the next intake of the Build Canada funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Gore Bay requests that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change take immediate steps to expedite the response process for Part II Orders or Bump-Up requests, as part of the s.61 review to improve MCEA process times and reduce study costs;

AND FURTHER that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change support changes to better integrate and harmonize the MCEA process defined under the Planning Act;

AND FURTHER that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change amend the scope of MCEA reports and studies to reduce duplication with existing public processes and decisions made under municipal Official Plans and provincial legislation.

Carried
WHEREAS the Manitoulin Art Tour requested a donation to this year’s Art Tour;

AND WHEREAS the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer advised them, based on our current policy, that they do not qualify for a donation;

AND WHEREAS the Coordinator has asked that Council be asked to reconsider this decision;

AND WHEREAS they state the Art Tour will directly benefit businesses in Gore Bay and attract more visitors to town and encourage local residents to participate;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves making an in kind donation to the Manitoulin Art Tour by offering free rental space at a Town owned facility of their choice subject to availability.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 18, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the 2018 dockage rates be based on a 2% increase over the 2017 rates;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 18, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the 2018 Community Hall Rental Rates be based on a 2% increase over the 2017 rates.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 18, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the arena upstairs room rental for the Frosty Cup weekend be reduced by 50% which is basically the same discount the Rotary receives if using the Community Hall for a licensed event.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried
WHEREAS the Public Works & Properties Committee met on January 22, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the 2018 Water & Sewer Budget be adopted reflecting a three percent increase in water and sewer rates for 2018.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

THAT By-law No. 2018-04 re: confirmatory by-law receive its first, second and third readings and finally passed this 12th day of February, 2018.

Carried

THAT By-law No. 2018-05 re: Signing agreement with MNR for Forest Fire Protection by-law receive its first, second and third readings passed this 12th day of February, 2018.

Carried

THAT By-law No. 2018-06 re: Gore Bay-Manitoulin Airport Members Agreement receive its first, second and third readings and finally passed this 12th day of February, 2018.

Carried

THAT By-law No. 2018-07 re: Amending Agreement for OCIF Phipps St. Project extension receive its first, second and third readings and finally passed this 12th day of February, 2018.

Carried
WHEREAS Requests for Proposals were sent out for the Splash Pad Contract;

AND WHEREAS three proposals were received as follows:

1. CRCS $149,241.00 plus HST
2. ABC Recreation $149,938.30 plus HST
3. ParknPlay Design $150,000.00 plus HST

AND WHEREAS members of the General Government Committee shortlisted to CRCS and ABC Recreation and applied a point system value taking into consideration a number of factors as outlined in the RFP;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Proposal submitted by CRCS be accepted in the amount of $149,241.00 plus HST.

Carried

WHEREAS Ron Lane is requesting use of the Town Tent and Tables/Chairs on August 4, 2018 being the weekend after Harbour Days;

AND WHEREAS the tent and tables/chairs will already be set up for Harbour Days, therefore no extra labour is involved in set up;

AND WHEREAS the tent has been used by others while it is still up either before or after Harbour Days provided they clean up;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ron Lane be granted permission to use the Town Tent, tables/chairs for August 4, 2018.

Further Ron Lane will make a donation to the Gore Bay Medical Centre in lieu of payment for use of tent.

Carried

WHEREAS Dave Hillyard is requesting permission to sign up for the Basic Refrigeration Training Course being held in Sudbury;

AND WHEREAS approval is required prior to adoption of the budget to secure enrolment in the course;

AND WHEREAS costs are approximately $1900.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council grants approval to Dave Hillyard to take Basic Refrigeration Training Course being held in Sudbury.

Carried
WHEREAS a new Recreation Park layout has been presented to Council outlining the installation of a Splash Pad, new Tennis Courts, new parking lot, new Fitness/Gym facility and new Playground equipment at the park which is currently home to the Basketball Courts;

AND WHEREAS funding is available to cover the costs associated with the new construction;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council approves the proposed layout of the new Gore Bay Recreation Park as presented.

Carried

WHEREAS Stasia Carr is requesting permission to enroll in the AMCTO Municipal Clerks Institute – Level 1 Program;

AND WHEREAS approval is required prior to adoption of the budget to ensure enrollment by the due date;

AND WHEREAS COSTS ARE APPROXIMATELY $2400.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council grants approval to Stasia Carr to take the AMCTO Municipal Clerks Institute – Level 1

Carried

THAT Gore Bay enter an in camera session at 9:14 p.m. to discuss the following

i) Staff
ii) Personal Matter about Identifiable Individuals
iii) A Proposed Disposition of Property

Carried

THAT Gore Bay Council come out of camera and reenter the regular council meetings at 11:00 p.m.

Carried

THAT we go beyond the 11:00 p.m. deadline.

Carried
THAT the Notice of Retirement from Pam Bond be effective June 30, 2018 be accepted. 

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 18, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the Severance package be reinstated for all fulltime staff effective on the date of employee hiring;

FURTHER that $10,000.00 per year be placed in the Severance Fund Reserve to offset the increased cost associated with the Plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

WHEREAS the General Government Committee met on January 18, 2018 and made the following recommendation;

THAT the Pay for Performance Bonus based on 2017 performance for CAO/Clerk-Treasurer be set as 6%.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this recommendation be approved.

Carried

THAT the Public Works Manager be offered to Lynda Smith as per the terms and conditions agreed upon in camera.

Carried

WHEREAS three proposals have been received for the operation of the Red Roof Pavilion;

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed all three proposals and have based their decision on what Council feels is the best business for this location;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council accepts the proposal submitted by Robin Pradhan – Rocky Raccoon Café.

Carried
WHEREAS an Offer to Purchase has been received for the property located at 8 Dawson Street;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gore Bay Council accepts the conditional Offer to Purchase and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the necessary paperwork and return to the realtor.

Carried

THAT Council adjourns to meet on Monday, March 12, 2018.

Carried

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MAYOR

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CLERK