

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MCDougALL**

**GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2003 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

Present:       Reeve           D. Robinson  
                  Councillor       D. Adams  
                  Councillor       J. Gilchrist  
                  Councillor       K. Dixon  
                  Councillor       J. Johnson  
  and  
                  Administrator     G. Eaton  
Public Works Supervisor   T. Hunt  
                  Fire Chief           B. Leduc  
                  Deputy Clerk       C. Vankoughnett

The Regular meeting of Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and was chaired by Reeve Robinson.

1.    **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

2.    **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil.

3.    **BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT**

i)     Correspondence from Michael and Norma Levett.

Re:    Invoice for improper garbage disposal.

The CAO reviewed this invoice with the Committee. The Committee directed administration staff to respond indicating that the invoice will not be cancelled. The Committee also noted that the transfer station hours for holiday Mondays should be reviewed.

**Matters Arising.**

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**4. PLANNING/BUILDING**

The Municipal planner, John Jackson was present to review several items with the Committee:

- i) A schedule commencing January 2004, was presented for the completion of the Official Plan.
- ii) He gave a report on the Sharon Jacklin rezoning noting that the land proposed to be rezoned is landlocked. Committee directed a resolution be brought forward to the Council meeting scheduled for December 17, 2003.
- iii) A report was given on the Michaelis consent. Council discussed this matter and requested Mr. Jackson to obtain more information from Mr. Michaelis and relay the Committee's concerns to the Planning Board.
- iv) The issue regarding Barker's Welding is still open and waiting for a response from the Barkers and the Heerschaps.
- v) The proposed rezoning on the Boyd property was reviewed with a direction from the Committee that the by-law be forwarded to the Council meeting for the third reading.

**Matters Arising.**

- i) The CAO noted that the Municipality has received an appeal to the OMB regarding the Ski Club rezoning.  
The Committee directed the CAO to look into the process for appeal.

**5. FIRE PROTECTION**

- i) Chief Leduc gave the following reports:
  - a) Monthly report for the month of November.
  - b) The money has been received for the ice rescue equipment, and the equipment has been purchased. The association will send a letter of thanks to the Parry Sound Rotary Club.
  - c) The controlled cottage burn was successful.
  - d) MTO revenue report.
  - e) A verbal report was given on the Waubamick Recreation Hall.
  - f) The fence posts have been put in at the George Hunt boat launch.
  - g) The dredging was inspected with no high spots being visible but noted that it will be inspected again in the spring.

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**6. PUBLIC WORKS**

- i) The Public Works Supervisor gave the following verbal report:
  - a) He also inspected the dredging at the George Hunt Boat Launch area.
  - b) The roads are in good shape and the crew are ready for the snow.
  - c) The Felsman Drive project is completed all but the paving, which will be done in the spring. Georgian Engineering completed the final inspection and a report will be ready for the next Committee meeting.
  - d) A water report was given noting that the hydrants are winterized.
  - e) The leachate and the landfill operations have slowed down.
  - f) They are working to contact another trucking company to haul leachate.

**Matters Arising.**

- i) The CAO noted that the old MTO signs on Bay Side Drive will be changed. The Committee questioned as to whether the ownership of Bayside Drive was defined. The Public Works Supervisor noted he is looking into this matter.

**7. RECREATION**

- i) Lock Erne Cemetery.  
The Director of Recreation apologized for the delay in relaying this information but noted that an application to the information and privacy committee has to be submitted in order for the province to release the information needed. Staff noted that they would continue with this matter.
- ii) Scars Family Cemetery.  
The Director also noted that he had been approached by a Scar family member who questioned the possibility of the Municipality assuming the family cemetery. The Committee directed staff to report on this matter.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil.

**8. ENVIRONMENT**

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- i) Conestoga Rovers & Associates.  
Re: Copies of Draft EA ToR for review and comment.  
The Committee directed a resolution be forwarded to the Council meeting of December 17, 2003.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil.

9. **FINANCE**

- i) Accounts Payable Listing.  
The Committee approved this listing.  
Councillor Adams declared a pecuniary interest with a cheque on the payroll and did not vote or participate in discussion on this matter.

**Matters Arising.**

10. **ADMINISTRATION**

- i) ROMA/OGRA 2004 Conference.  
Re: To be held February 22 to 25, 2003 at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto.  
It was noted that Councillors Dixon and Gilchrist and Reeve Robinson would be attending this conference.  
The Committee requested the CAO to set up an appointment with the Minister of Environment to review outstanding issues regarding the Water and Landfill Site.
- ii) Association of Municipalities of Ontario.  
Re: 2003-2004 Effective Municipal Councillor Program.  
The CAO noted anyone wishing to attend, to contact him.
- iii) Correspondence from Tim Healey.  
Re: Arrangement between the Municipality and the Elizabeth Island Cottagers' Association regarding boat dockage.  
Reeve Robinson noted the points of concern within this correspondence and requested the CAO to invite members of the Association to a meeting to discuss these concerns.  
Councillor Johnson requested a copy of the Association's agreement.

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The Committee also questioned the renewal date of the said agreement and requested the agreement be brought forward prior to that date.

Councillor Gilchrist brought forward a matter of a boathouse on Trout Lake being on Municipal property.

After discussion of this item the Committee requested staff to look into the ownership of the property in which the boathouse sits.

Councillor Gilchrist requested that acknowledgement be made in the minutes of an existing boathouse on Municipal property located on Trout Lake.

Councillor Adams requested that it be recorded in the minutes that staff be directed to research ownership of the boathouse located on Trout Lake.

- iv) POA Minutes of November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2003.  
The CAO noted that regular minutes from the POA Committee will be brought forward.
- v) Hydro One Networks Inc.  
Re: New billing process for energy consumed by seasonal decorative lights.  
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.
- vi) Township of Carling.  
Re: Industrial Park Board Meeting – Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003.  
The CAO noted that this meeting has been cancelled.

### **Matters arising.**

- i) Reeve Robinson requested information on the process for complaints received by the Municipality.  
The CAO noted that complaints are now being noted as service requests. These requests are received and forwarded to the proper department supervisor, if it is a matter that is out of the supervisor's hands, it is forwarded to the CAO and to Committee. The CAO noted that 99% of complaints are handled at the staff level.

### 11. **NOTICES AND INFORMATION**

**The Committee reviewed the following notices and information with no action indicated.**

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- i) Federation of Canadian Municipalities.  
Re: Election of Paul Martin as Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada.
- ii) Association of Municipalities of Ontario.
  - a) Re: AMO responds to Minister of Energy Announcement regarding the lifting of the 4.3 cent per KWH price on electricity.
  - b) Re: Local decisions to be in hands of local politicians.
  - c) Re: New source water protection committees announced.
  - d) Re: Government has released long-awaited nuisance bear report.
- iii) Parry Sound Area Planning Board.  
Re: Minutes of a meeting held November 24, 2003.

**12. REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT**

- i. Township of Machar.  
Re: Provincial offences act meetings; request to rotate location across district.  
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.
- ii) Township of Chapleau.  
Re: Requesting support which requests the Honourable Dalton McGuinty to establish a Northern caucus composed of the seven members of parliament from Northern Ontario.  
The Committee requested a resolution be brought forward.

**Matters Arising.**

**13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- i) Felsman Drive Project.  
This project is completed, all but the paving, which will be done in the spring.
- ii) By-law for uses on Park to Park Trail.  
This item is carried forward.
- iii) Park to Park Trail remediation.  
There is no report on this item, but a sign will be erected and the trail will be reviewed in the spring.

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- iv) Bell Lake Bridge.  
The Report from Georgian Engineering was reviewed.  
The Committee directed that this item be forwarded to budget discussion in 2004 and that the pertinent ratepayers be notified of this.
- v) Restoration of the roadside fencing and gate at Lock Erne Cemetery.  
This item was covered under Recreation.
- vi) Hydro One pole rental agreement.  
The CAO gave a report regarding this agreement and recommends that the Committee not sign this agreement until it has been rewritten.
- vii) McMillan proposed deeming by-law.  
This item will be brought forward to Council.
- viii) Nobel Water Works Proposed Water Filtration System.  
It was noted that there is a meeting with the Town of Parry Sound regarding the proposed filtration system on Thursday, December 18, 2003. Reeve Robinson reported on the deputation which was made at a Parry Sound Council meeting. He noted that an ad hock Committee has been set up to review this matter.
- ix) Michaelis Consent.  
Reviewed under planning.
- x) Repairs on Municipal property located at 8 Haines Lake Road.  
It was noted that the repairs will be completed this week and that the CAO will follow up on the proposed roof inspection.
- xi) Barkers Welding  
Reviewed under planning.
- xii) Budget information.  
Carried forward.
- xiii) Angela Boyd rezoning.  
Covered under planning.

14. **REPORT OF THE CAO**

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- i) Report No. 2003-19.  
Re: C.A.O. Forum Sudbury.  
The CAO reviewed this report with the Committee.
- ii) Report No. 2003-20.  
Re: Appointments to local and external boards/committees.

The Committee went into a Special Council meeting to ratify the Boards and Committees for 2004.

Resolution No. 2003/285 Johnson/Adams  
That this Special Meeting of Council be called to order at 9:50 p.m., and;  
That notice of this meeting is hereby waived and that the meeting be declared regularly constituted. "Carried"

Resolution No. 2003/286 Johnson/Adams  
THAT the Council of the Municipality of McDougall nominate Councillor Gord Harrison (Carling) as area representative to the Parry Sound District Emergency Medical Services Committee. "Carried"

Resolution No. 2003/287 Johnson/Adams  
THAT the Council of the Municipality of McDougall nominate Councillor Peter Ketchum (Archipelago) as area representative to the Belvedere Heights Home for the Aged Board. "Carried"

Resolution No. 2003/288 Adams/Dixon  
THAT the Council of the Municipality of McDougall nominate Councillor Steve Crookshank (Carling) and Reeve Bill Church (Whitestone) to the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board as Area 3 representatives. "Carried"

Resolution No. 2003/289 Gilchrist/Dixon  
THAT the Council of the Municipality of McDougall nominate Mayor Ted Knight as area representative to the Muskoka Parry Sound Health Unit Committee. "Carried"

Resolution No. 2003/290 Dixon/Gilchrist  
**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of McDougall approve the following appointments to local boards and committees:



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- iii) Committee requested a by-law be brought forward to ratify signing authorities.

16. **BUDGET CHANGES AND REVISIONS**

Nil.

17. **CLOSED SESSION**

This item was forwarded to the Council meeting scheduled for December 17, 2003.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 10:16 p.m.