

**The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands  
Minutes of a Regular Council meeting held Tuesday, April 20, 2010  
in the NEMI Recreation Centre at 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Mayor: Jim Stringer, Councillors: Melissa Peters, Paul Skippen  
William Koehler, Christina Jones, Dawn Orr, Al MacNevin,  
Bruce Wood and Marcel Gauthier

**Staff Present:** David Williamson, CAO  
Janet Moore, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stringer at 7:00 p.m.

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the nature thereof – Nil

**Resolution No. 99-04-10**

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: A. MacNevin

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the agenda.

Carried

**Resolution No. 100-04-10**

Moved by: M. Peters

Seconded by: A. MacNevin

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands has no objection to the application for Consent File No. B16-10, R & C Jeffery for the creation of a new lot, with the following comments:

- 1) Section 5.3 uses or features on the subject land or within 500 metres of the subject lands - an agricultural operation, including livestock facility or stockyard – believe the adjacent property owner uses the lands for farming.
- 2) There is a pending wind farm project on the adjacent property, concerned with setbacks from any future dwelling on the proposed new lot and also the effects on the setbacks for the proposed wind turbines.

Carried

**Resolution No. 101-04-10**

Moved by: P. Skippen

Seconded by: W. Koehler

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands now reads a first, second and third time and finally passes By-Law No. 2010-17, being a by-law to adopt the minutes of Council for the term commencing December 1, 2006 and authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby.

Carried

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**Resolution No. 102-04-10**

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: B. Wood

WHEREAS Resolution No. 95-04-10 would prohibit the recording or videotaping of a meeting without first obtaining permission, by motion, of Council;  
AND WHEREAS this resolution imposes a restriction on the recording of public meetings by both the general public and members of the press which may be perceived to reduce the transparency of Council and could interfere with the public's right to be knowledgeable about the activities of Council,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does hereby rescind Resolution No. 95-04-10

Carried

Ayes: M. Gauthier, C. Jones, W. Koehler, P. Skippen and B. Wood

Nays: A. MacNevin, D. Orr, M. Peters and J. Stringer

**Resolution No. 103-04-10**

Moved by: P. Skippen

Seconded by: B. Wood

WHEREAS Resolution No. 79-03-10 resulted in the withdrawal of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands from the Manitoulin Municipal Association,  
AND WHEREAS the purpose of this resolution was to enable the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands to show its support for the negotiations of the 1990 Land Claim Agreement between the local First Nations and the Province of Ontario, and those negotiations have now moved to a level that does not include the active participation of local municipalities,  
AND WHEREAS the Town's relationships with our neighboring municipalities and our ability to participate in Island wide discussions on issues impacting equally on all municipalities on the Manitoulin Island may be compromised by our withdrawal from the Manitoulin Municipal Association,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does hereby rescind resolution number 79-03-10.

Defeated

Ayes: W. Koehler, P. Skippen and B. Wood

Nays: M. Gauthier, C. Jones, A. MacNevin, D. Orr, M. Peters and J. Stringer

**Resolution No. 104-04-10**

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: M. Gauthier

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands sets the outstanding balance on overdue water accounts at \$600.

Carried

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**Resolution No. 105-04-10**

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: P. Skippen

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the financial reports as presented at the Administration & Finance Committee meeting held April 8, 2010.

Carried

**Resolution No. 106-04-10**

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: W. Koehler

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands directs staff to contact the Ministry of Natural Resources for the purpose of supplying fire protection,  
AND FURTHER a report be brought to Council for their consideration.

Carried

**Resolution No. 107-04-10**

Moved by: M. Gauthier

Seconded by: C. Jones

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands accepts the quote from Sudbury Heating for the supply and installation of an Air Conditioning System at the Tourist Information Centre building.

Carried

**Resolution No. 108-04-10**

Moved by: M. Peters

Seconded by: P. Skippen

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands now reads a first, second and third time and finally passes by-Law No. 2010-19, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as Represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Carried

**Resolution No. 109-04-10**

Moved by: M. Peters

Seconded by: P. Skippen

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands grants permission to the Little Current Lions Club the use of Low Island Park to run events associated with Haweater Weekend,  
AND FURTHER that Council grants permission to the Lions Club to close Water Street (downtown core) on Sunday, August 1, 2010 at 6:30 a.m. until after the fire works.

Carried

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**Resolution No. 110-04-10**

Moved by: M. Peters

Seconded by: D. Orr

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands declares Haweater Weekend 2010, scheduled for July 30 & 31 and August 1, 2010 a Community Festival Weekend.

Carried

**Resolution No. 111-04-10**

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: W. Koehler

WHEREAS a life saving organ or tissue donation can provide thousands of men, women, and children on waiting lists with a second chance at life; and

WHEREAS our society unfortunately lacks widespread knowledge of the real need for organ donations, and the list of Ontarians in need of transplants grows annually; and

WHEREAS the tireless efforts of the Trillium Gift of Life Network members, volunteer and individual donors and their families can, and do save many lives each year; and

WHEREAS education and increased public awareness enable Ontarians to make the important, informed decision to donate their organs and/or tissues and help give the gift of life;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands do hereby proclaim April 18-25, 2010 as Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week in and for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands and encourage all residents of the Town to register their consent to donate their organs and/or tissues and help save lives.

Carried

**Resolution No. 112-04-10**

Moved by: M. Peters

Seconded by: B. Wood

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 will see a reduction in their OMPF equal to their upload benefits resulting in very little net upload benefit for several years; and

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WHEREAS the net upland benefits per household for the Northern Ontario region are forecast to be well below the net upland benefits per household for all other regions of the Province; and

WHEREAS the Province has committed to review the formula for distribution of the OMPF, or its successor unconditional funding program, before 2010; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of Ontario increase the Northern Communities Grant by \$75, to ensure all Municipalities in the North will receive the necessary "Required Support"; and

FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to FONOM.

Carried

**Resolution No. 113-04-10**

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: C. Jones

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands now adjourns this regular meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Carried

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Jim Stringer

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Mayor

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Janet Moore

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Clerk