

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE**

**-MINUTES-**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

**6:30 p.m., at the Community Centre in Dunchurch**

**Present:** Chris Armstrong, Mayor  
Bill Church, Councillor  
Alan Ladd, Councillor  
Joe Lamb, Councillor  
Morley Moore, Councillor

**Staff:** Liliane Nolan, CAO-Clerk

**Visitors:**

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Mayor Chris Armstrong called this meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof:** None noted as presented.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

2010-01 Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Morley Moore  
That the Council Agenda for this meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. **Carried**

**Delegations/Presentations:**

- O.P.P. Staff Sergeant Ron Campbell – 2010 Budget

**Adoption of Minutes for the Regular Council (Committee of the Whole) Meeting**

2010-02 Moved by Councillor Joe Lamb  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That the minutes of the Regular (Committee of the Whole) Council meeting of December 15, 2009 be adopted as presented and circulated. **Carried**

**Adoption of Minutes for the Special Council Meeting**

2010-03 Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Morley Moore  
That the minutes of the Special Council meeting of December 21, 2009 be adopted as presented and circulated. **Carried**

**Recreation Committee Representatives**

2010-04 Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council hereby appoints the following persons to the Recreation Committee of the Municipality of Whitestone for the 2006-2010 Term of Council:

Member of Council/Municipal Local Board: Elizabeth Hamilton  
Member at Large: Barb Bennett **Carried**

**Beautification Committee Representatives**

2010-05 Moved by Councillor Joe Lamb  
Seconded by Councillor Alan Ladd  
That Council hereby appoints the following persons to the Beautification Committee of the Municipality of Whitestone for the 2006-2010 Term of Council:

Member at Large: Wayne Kenney  
Member of Council: Morley Moore **Carried**

**Community Development Committee Representative**

2010-06 Moved by Councillor Joe Lamb  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council hereby appoints the following persons to the Community Development Committee of the Municipality of Whitestone for the 2006-2010 Term of Council:

Member of Council: Morley Moore  
Member of Council: Alan Ladd **Carried**

**Approval of Accounts Payable**

2010-07 Moved by Councillor Morley Moore  
Seconded by Councillor Joe Lamb  
That the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$123,862.23 and payroll in the amount of \$36,904.78 (two pay periods) be approved. (Full report for viewing can be seen at the municipal office) **Carried**

## **Draft Resolution – Assuming Roads for Municipal Maintenance Purposes**

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of Whitestone is aware of a number of unassumed roads within its jurisdiction that are public highways as defined by the Municipal Act;

**AND WHEREAS** these roads are presently used by a large number of ratepayers;

**AND WHEREAS** these roads do not meet current municipal road standards so that they are not assumed for municipal road maintenance purposes;

**AND WHEREAS** it is the policy of the Municipality to provide, over the long term, a uniform and equitable standard of road services to all ratepayers;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone believes that it is appropriate and responsible to establish a process where unassumed roads may be incorporated into the Municipality's road maintenance system;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone adopt the following procedures for extending services to unassumed roads:

### **STEP 1 – ROAD STANDARDS**

1. Roads that are to be assumed by the Municipality must be brought up to the required standards as set out in the Official Plan except as provided by paragraph 3., below..
2. These standards may vary depending upon the individual circumstances relating to a particular road including the length of the road, the nature and the amount of use, the quality of the road base and the associated maintenance program.
3. To consider a standard less than that prescribed in the Official Plan, any proponents interested in pursuing the assumption of an existing road must provide a report by a qualified engineer at the expense of the proponents to confirm that the standard is appropriate. The municipality may approve the lesser standard subject to a peer review by its engineers if required. Any peer review would be the proponents cost

### **STEP 2 – UPGRADING ROAD**

4. Once a road standard has been established by any proponents seeking to upgrade a road to be assumed for maintenance purposes, the Municipality may take on the role of facilitator to assist in achieving the road improvements for assumption.
5. At least two thirds of the ratepayers that are accessed by the road must be on record of supporting the program to upgrade the road.

6. The Municipality will seek funding assistance from senior levels of government to offset the costs of upgrading roads when these funds are available.
7. The Municipality may initiate funding programs for financing road upgrades including cost sharing arrangements under the Local Improvement Act or the Municipal Act.

**STEP 3 – ROAD MAINTENANCE**

8. In accordance with Section 9.05.2 of the Official Plan, any road that is brought up to the required municipal standard as set out in paragraph 3. above, may be assumed for maintenance purposes.
9. Where upgraded roads are assumed for maintenance purposes road maintenance may be undertaken by Municipal staff or contracted to a qualified business that is determined to be capable of undertaking the maintenance program.

**PERTINENT EXCERPTS OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN**

(Not part of this resolution)

"9.05.2 The Municipality must be convinced that the assumption of a new road or an upgraded road is in the public interest before it commits to the assumption of the road."

**MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE ROAD STANDARDS**

Year Round Road		Cottage Road		Seasonal Road	
right-of-way	20 metres	right-of-way	20 metres	right-of-way	20 metres
clearing width	20 metres	clearing width	12 metres	clearing width	12 metres
surface width	6 metres	surface width	6 metres	surface width	5 metres
granular depth	150mm	granular depth	150mm	granular depth	150mm
surface	tar and chip	surface	tar and chip	surface	granular
treatment	1 metre (each	treatment	0.5 metre (each	treatment	0.5
shoulder	side)	shoulder	side)	shoulder	metres
width	0.5 metres	width	0.5 metres	width	0.5
ditches	400mm	ditches	400mm	ditches	metres
culverts	450 metres	culverts	450 metres	culverts	400mm
cover over	12%	cover over	12%	cover over	450
bedrock	12 metres	bedrock	12 metres	bedrock	metres
maximum		maximum		maximum	14%
grade		grade		grade	10 metres
dead ends		dead ends		dead ends	

Caution: The above road standards may be subject to change without notice.

### **Acceptance of Monthly Reports**

2010-08 Moved by Councillor Morley Moore  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council hereby accepts the following monthly reports prepared/submitted by department heads:

Building Department: Building Permit Report – December 2009. **Carried**

### **2009 Contribution for Regional Tourism Promotion - Ontario's Near North**

2010-09 Moved by Councillor Morley Moore  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby supports Ontario's Near North regional tourism promotion in the amount of \$164.80 for Year 2010. **Carried**

### **Support City of Pembroke – Forest Industry/Wood Turtle Habitat Regulation**

2010-10 Moved by Councillor Morley Moore  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby supports Resolution No. 022 put forth by the City of Pembroke Council at its meeting of December 1, 2009 that it is the position of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke that the forestry industry and the backcountry experiences in Algonquin Park currently co-exist to the benefit of both;

**And Further** that the Ministry of Natural Resources, the Algonquin Forestry Authority, and the Ontario Parks Board cease the Lightening the Footprint initiative;

**And Further** that a new Wood Turtle Habitat Regulation should not be developed until there is comprehensive and direct consultation with the rural communities that will be directly impacted by the regulation including the Corporation of the City of Pembroke;

**And Further** that this resolution be forward to Premier of Ontario Dalton McGuinty, Minister of Natural Resources Donna Cansfield, Minister of Northern Development, Mines and Forestry Michael Gravelle, MPP Norm Miller, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and the City of Pembroke. **Carried**

### **Correspondence – Noted and Filed:**

- Copy of a letter to the Ministry of Natural Resources dated December 8, 2009 from Bren Selvage, President of the Magnetawan Pioneer Association regarding Access Trail to Black, Round and Bolger Lakes.
- Letter dated December 8, 2009 from Bren Selvage regarding damage to and maintenance of the access trail to Black Lake, Round Lake and Bolger Lake.



**In Camera**

2010-12

Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council proceeds with the meeting in Closed Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Appointment of Working Road Superintendent. **Carried**

**Open Session**

2010-13

Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That Council moves out of Closed Session at 8:40 p.m. and continue the Open Council meeting. **Carried**

**By-Law No. 02-2010, Appointment of Working Road Superintendent**

2010-14

Moved by Councillor Bill Church  
Seconded by Councillor Alan Ladd  
That By-Law No. 02-2010, being a by-law to appoint a Working Road Superintendent and to enter into an employment agreement be Read a First and Second time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010;

**And Further** Read a Third time, Passed, properly Signed and Sealed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2010 and numbered No. 02-2010. **Carried**

**In Camera**

2010-15

Moved by Councillor Joe Lamb  
Seconded by Councillor Morley Moore  
That Council proceeds with the meeting in Closed Session at 8:21 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.
- 2) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Administration. (December 15, 2009 - Closed Session Minutes). **Carried**

**Open Session**

2010-16

Moved by Councillor Bill Church  
Seconded by Councillor Morley Moore  
That Council moves out of Closed Session at 9:07 p.m. and continue the Open Council meeting. **Carried**

**By-Law No. 03-2010, Confirming By-Law**

2010-17 Moved by Councillor Alan Ladd  
Seconded by Councillor Bill Church  
That By-Law No. 03-2010, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Council meeting held on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010, be Read a First and Second time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010;

**And Further** Read a Third time, Passed, properly Signed and Sealed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2010 and numbered No. 03-2010. **Carried**

**Adjournment**

2010-18 Moved by Councillor Joe Lamb  
Seconded by Councillor Morley Moore  
That this Council meeting be adjourned at 9:08 p.m. to meet again on Monday, January 12, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Centre in Dunchurch or at the call of the Mayor. **Carried**

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Chris Armstrong **Mayor**

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Liliane Nolan **CAO-Clerk**