

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BLUEWATER**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2001**

**This regular meeting was held in the  
Stanley Complex, Community Centre**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Paul Klopp  
Councillor-At-Large Diane Denomme  
Councillors Tony Denomme Brad Mousseau  
Bill Martin Mavis Govier  
Joe Laudenbach Marg Deichert  
Rod Parker

**STAFF PRESENT:** Janisse Zimmerman, Clerk-Administrator  
Ross Fisher, Public Works Manager  
Tom Dickins, Facilities Manager  
Cindy Denomme, Recording Secretary

1. Deputy-Mayor Klopp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  
2. **2.1** Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof for current meeting. Councillor Diane Denomme declared a conflict with 6.3 as her husband is an associate of Allan Avis Architect. Councillor Parker declared a conflict with item 5.1 as he is the vice-president of the Hensall Minor Hockey.
  
- 2.2** Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof for previous meeting, if absent for that meeting. – None.
  
3. Adoption of Minutes  
- October 1, 2001 regular Meeting  
- October 10, 2001 Special Meeting

**MOTION** MOVED BY: Diane Denomme  
**557-2001** SECONDED BY: Tony Denomme

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2001 regular meeting and the October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2001 Special Meeting be approved and adopted as circulated.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** MOVED BY: Marg Deichert  
**558-2001** SECONDED BY: Rod Parker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the rental from the Zurich works/former PUC building be credited to the water system.  
**MOTION DEFEATED.**

4. Authorization of Accounts  
- none.

## **5. MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORTS**

### **5.1 Facilities Manager**

The Facilities Managers report was reviewed.

The report covered information items regarding the ice resurfacers in Hensall, update on quotes and information regarding the former Hensall Municipal Office front steps.

The Playground program report was reviewed and discussed. Councillor Martin stated that for a first effort for the whole municipality it seems that everything worked good and that it was a great start for the program. Janisse reported that a whole policy manual was created by the coordinators plus a 15 page report on improvements, etc. for the following years. A lot of work was put into the program.

Councillor Parker left the room.

Council reviewed a request from the Hensall Minor Hockey for a reduction in ice time rates.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**559-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Bill Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Hensall Minor Hockey not be given a \$10.00 per hour discount on their prime time rental as the other minor hockey associations in Bluewater do not receive such a discount.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Councillor Parker returned to the meeting.

The Facilities Managers' Report is attached to these Minutes as Schedule A.

### **5.2 Public Works Manager**

The Public Works Managers' report was reviewed.

Ross reported that when Lavis gets a few nice days they complete the work on Troy St.

The Public Works Managers' report is attached to these Minutes as Schedule B.

## **6. ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION**

### **6.1 Encroachment Agreement 7:30 p.m.** - Kim Muszynski

Mr. Muszynski attended the meeting to request a further encroachment agreement. He is proposing to extend the patio area and install a ramp into the Hotel.

Councillor Laudenbach said that this would take over the sidewalk and that this is a dangerous corner. He stated that Mr. Muszynski should stay with the existing. He also wondered how he would deal with avoiding the traffic.

Mr. Muszynski said that he would be making a new sidewalk and adding a ramp to make the Hotel wheelchair accessible. He will deal with Ross regarding the road issues at this corner.

Ross stated that he had not been out yet to get any measurements.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Diane Denomme  
**560-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Tony Denomme

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a decision be deferred on the Muszynski Encroachment Agreement until the Public Works Manager brings a report back to Council.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.2 Connect Ontario**  
- County application – Sandra Weber

Sandra Weber of the Huron County Planning Department attended the meeting and explained the program. She said that it would be a joint application for Huron and Perth counties and that they are looking for local support.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**561-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Diane Denomme

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bluewater hereby supports, in principle, the Huron and Perth Counties joint application for Connect Ontario funding.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.3 Committee of Adjustment 8:00 p.m. See Separate Package**  
- minor variance

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**562-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Bill Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn at 8:00 p.m. in order to hold a Committee of Adjustment hearing.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.4 Blue Water Rest Home 8:30 p.m.**  
- request to hook into Zurich well

Councillor Martin felt that he had a conflict since the water extension included his church. Councillor Martin left the room.

The Bluewater Rest Home was represented by Doug O'Brien, George Haggitt, Martha Craig, Stewart Steckle, Jack Schade and Brian Prouse of B.M. Ross and Associates.

Mr. Brian Prouse explained their findings when they did their report. They found that there was ample water to add to the system. They found that there would not be sufficient pumping for water protection as is.

There was some concern that, in Zurich, in addition to the 65 lots taken into account when the report was completed that there are another 20 infill lots and a new mushroom factory that is not running yet. Also discussed was whether new pumps were required and who would pay the costs associated with the project.

It was decided that more information was needed in order to make a decision.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Tony Denomme  
**563-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Mavis Govier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a decision on supplying water to the Blue Water Rest Home be deferred until the Rest Home submits an Engineer's report on costs to provide the necessary upgrades to the Zurich water system to accommodate all lots in Zurich, the Rest Home, Maplewoods and the Mennonite Church and the fire protection;

AND FUTHER, that the Rest Home is responsible for the cost of the report.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.5 Rosalie Street Drain 9:00 p.m.**  
- extension along John Street North

Mr. Will Bartlett from NorthWest Consulting attended the meeting to discuss the extension to the Rosalie Street Drain Report. Also present were Josephine Denomme, Marinus Vermunt and Doug Debus, residents of John Street.

Mr. Bartlett reviewed his letter and the additional work estimated at \$18,000.00. The additional work would extend the drain and add 2 catch basins. The proposed additional work will not solve all the water problems of Mr. Debus, Mr. Vermunt and Mrs. Denomme.

Mr. Debus felt that the additional work would solve 9/10 of their water problem.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Joe Laudenbach  
**564-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Marg Deichert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rosalie Street Drain report be referred back to the Engineer pursuant to Section 57 of the Drainage Act for reconsideration of an extension along John Street North.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.6 MacTavesh Street – Ward of Bayfield**  
- request for assumption and upgrading

Vera Dietrich from MacTavesh Street in Bayfield attended the meeting requesting upgrading and assumption of her street. She said that she only owns 1 lot and would like to build on it. In order to do this the “H” in the zoning has to be removed. Janisse stated that the road has to be brought up to standards in order for the “H” can be removed.

A decision was deferred to the 29<sup>th</sup> in order to have more information.

**6.7 Bluewater Recreational Facility Committee 9:30 p.m.**  
- discussion

Councillor Govier requested that council review the plan of action and gives the Committee direction on how to proceed.

Councillor Martin said that the committee was doing a great job. We should hold back on the arena issue, as there are other projects at this time. Bayfield just paid for sewers and now they will be paying for water, I don't think they will want to pay for a new arena also. Before we spend tax dollars on a Sport Facility we should take care of the other issues first. We need to delay 6 months to 1 year; the Bluewater ratepayers are not prepared for more ongoing costs right now.

Councillor Diechert stated that the committee has been going around in circles and it is time to stop and move forward. We need to start with the location and then the design and that will cost money. The Fundraising committee needs to know these things in order to proceed.

Councillor Tony Denomme said that we have to look at other issues. We should wait and see what SuperBuild will have.

Councillor Laudenbach agreed with Councillors Denomme and Martin. The committee has an excellent plan but it needs to be done without financing from the ratepayers at this time.

Councillor Parker said that this was his opinion also. We need to investigate the funding first. We put \$50,000.00 in the budget for a new arena and that shows our commitment. There needs to be funding from others.

Councillor Diane Denomme supports the action plan. In the last six months we have been forced to accept major projects for the municipality. The municipality has made a commitment with the \$50,000.00 in the budget. She had hoped that the Citizens Action Groups would continue their fundraising efforts. Do not shelve the action plan.

Councillor Mousseau agreed with the others.

Deputy-Mayor Klopp said that the action plan is not about spending \$3 million tomorrow. The committee should continue with what they are doing. He supports the new arena but not at any cost.

There was some discussion on the use of the \$50,000.00 that had been budgeted. It was stated that maybe the committee could use this money and Councillor Govier said that the committee would not spend anything without council's approval.

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Rod Parker  
**565-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Joe Laudenbach

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bluewater Recreational Facility Committee not proceed with their Plan of Action;

AND FURTHER, that the Plan of Action be discussed by Council once we have heard about SuperBuild funding.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Councillor Laudenbach asked for a recorded vote.

Councillor Martin – For  
Councillor Laudenbach – For  
Councillor Govier – Against  
Deputy-Mayor Klopp – Against  
Councillor Diane Denomme – Against

Councillor Mousseau -For  
Councillor Diechert - Against  
Councillor Tony Denomme - For  
Councillor Parker - For

**6.8 Bluewater Municipal Office**  
- meeting room separation

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Diane Denomme  
**566-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Mavis Govier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk be authorized to purchase the 37 STC rated folding doors for the meeting room at the Municipal Office;

AND FURTHER, that the cost not covered by transition funding be taken out of the Bluewater general reserve.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.9 By-law No. 75-2001**  
- to regular open air burning in Wards of Bayfield, Hensall and Zurich

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**567-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Bill Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 75-2001, being a by-law to regulate open air burning in the Wards of Bayfield, Hensall and Zurich, be given first, second and third reading and finally passed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.10 Bender Municipal Drain**  
- petition for improvement

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**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**568-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Brad Mousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the petition for the improvement and extension of the Bender Municipal Drain be accepted and the NorthWest Consulting be appointed as Engineer for this project;

AND FURTHER; if NorthWest is not available, that R.J. Burnside be appointed.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.11 County of Huron**  
- draft of Tree By-law

**Motion**          MOVED BY:          Joe Laudenbach  
**569-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Tony Denomme

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bluewater supports the 3<sup>rd</sup> draft of the Tree By-law.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.12 Municipality of Arran-Elderslie**  
- resolution re provincial grant commitments

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Mavis Govier  
**57-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Bill Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bluewater hereby endorses the resolution of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie in regard to requesting the Province to provide immediate confirmation of OSTAR funding levels.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.13 AMO**  
- letter Oct. 9/01 re Municipal Infrastructure funding

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:          Diane Denomme  
**571-2001**      SECONDED BY:      Marg Deichert

**WHEREAS** public infrastructure is the backbone of a successful, dynamic economy; and

**WHEREAS** federal and provincial financial support is essential for public infrastructure upgrades, replacement and expansion; and

**WHEREAS** the current slowing of the economy combined with the tragic events of September 11, 2001 have created substantial uncertainty in the Canadian economy, particularly in Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of Bluewater welcomes the Ontario Government's renewed commitment towards supporting public infrastructure with its recent announcement of financial assistance for public transit and roads and bridges; and

**WHEREAS** the current Federal share of the Infrastructure Canada Program in Ontario is significantly less than that of the Province and municipalities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality of Bluewater calls on both the Federal Government to follow the Ontario Government's lead and commit itself to a higher level of funding for public infrastructure; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipality of Bluewater calls on both the Federal and Provincial Governments to speed up the existing infrastructure funding process under the Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Program (COIP) and SuperBuild in order to provide a much needed economic stimulus in the face of the current economic downturn; and

**FURTHER THAT** the Municipality of Bluewater supports the call from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Federal and Ontario Governments to return to a straightforward 1/3-1/3-1/3 funding formula for COIP and SuperBuild funded projects.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**6.14 Municipality of South Huron**  
- nutrient management agreements

**7. CONVENTIONS, COURSES AND INVITATIONS**

**7.1 Midwestern Adult Day Services**  
- open house for Betty Cardno Memorial Centre, Seaforth  
- Oct. 20/01 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**8. COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS**

**Councillor Parker** – nothing to report.

**Councillor Laudenbach** – attended Mid Huron Landfill meeting and Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**Councillor Govier** – attended Rec Committee meeting and Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**Councillor Tony Denomme** – attended Lake Huron and Elgin Primary Water Supply System meeting in London, attended Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**Councilor Diane Denomme** - attended Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**Councillor Diechert** – attended Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**Councillor Martin** – attended Water Meeting in Bayfield.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1 Tile Drain Loan**  
-By-law No. 76-2001

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:            Brad Mousseau  
**572-2001**      SECONDED BY:        Marg Deichert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 76-2001, being a by-law to impose a special annual drainage rate on specific properties, be given first, second and third reading and finally passed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**10. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**

**11. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce**
- Newsletter
- Bayfield Fall Fair**
- Certificate
- Bluewater Shoreline Residents' Association**
- Letter Re: Executive
- Goderich**
- letter Re: United Way
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing**
- Backgrounder Re: Smart Growth Management Councils
- Ontario Provincial Police**
- Media Releases Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 2001 to Oct 9<sup>th</sup>, 2001 – ON FILE
- South Huron**
- Letter Re: Ambulance Service
- Transport Canada**
- Letter Re: Sexsmith Aerodrome

**12. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE INFORMATION ITEMS**

**13. IN CAMERA SESSION**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:            Diane Denomme  
**573-2001**      SECONDED BY:        Brad Mousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all items not specifically dealt with be noted and filed.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION**      MOVED BY:            Mavis Govier  
**574-2001**      SECONDED BY:        Joe Laudenbach

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn at 11:00 p.m. until the next regular meeting to be held Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers at the Stanley Complex.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

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 Paul Klopp, Deputy-Mayor

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 Janisse Zimmerman, Clerk-Administrator