

TOWNSHIP OF HOWICK
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, February 16th, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.
AT THE HOWICK TOWNSHIP COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

Attendance:

Council Members

Max Demaray, Reeve
Linda Henhoeffter, Councillor
Art Versteeg, Councillor
Andrea Yungblut, Deputy Reeve
Randy Scott, Councillor

Staff

Ronna Lee Johnson, Clerk
Wray Wilson, Public Works Co-ordinator
Mark Farinha, Treasurer
Bill Doig, Fire Chief

Delegations - none

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Demaray called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Reeve noted that if any member wished to declare a pecuniary interest regarding any matter on the agenda, it could be done at this time, when the matter arises, or both.
None declared at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A copy of draft Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 2nd, 2010 was circulated in the Council package.

Clerk Johnson noted that a few housekeeping changes (ie. spelling, punctuation, grammatical corrections) were made in the Minutes previously circulated, but no changes to the content.

MOTION #048/10

Moved by Scott

Seconded by Versteeg

THAT Howick Township Council hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, February 2nd, 2010, as circulated. CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following report and supporting documentation were circulated in the Council package:

2010 Budget

The 2010 Budget is completed and ready for approval. Council asked for a zero increase in the Tax Levy and the budget reflects this. Salient points are as follows:

- a) The overall 2010 Levy for Municipal, County and Education decreased by \$1,939.00
- b) The Township Levy decreased by \$28,000. One of the main reasons is the Province increased the OMPF Grant by \$108K.
- c) One of the large increases in Budget results from the startup of the Fire Department. 2009 actual was \$98K versus the 2010 budget of \$147K. The 2010 budget is comparable to Teeswater \$164K and Mildmay \$148K. It is also in line with what we thought it would be when we were in the process of disengaging from the Fire Board.
- d) The Landfill closure Liability increased the budget by \$11K due only to PSAB accounting rules. The Pool is higher by \$8K to reflect full year operations in 2010. The new pool was opened in July 2009.
- e) Interest income is down from \$60K in the 2009 budget to \$16K in 2010 due to the drastic decline in investment rates.
- f) Police costs increased from \$271 to \$286. We expect a credit of \$16 but this won't be verified until the end of March. In the meantime I have taken ½ of that estimated credit \$8K.
- g) The budget reflects \$94K for Dam refurbishment, funded entirely by Reserves. There is no provision for any cost sharing with the Village. Council will need to decide on said cost sharing. The first year could be 2011.
- h) There is no increase in the special levies raised from the Villages except for Wroxeter which increased by \$1,700 (4%) based on the budget submitted.

- i) The County Levy of \$1,350,382 is based on their Draft Budget rather than their approved budget. The increase is \$1,477 versus 2009. County approval is expected in March with a 1.5% increase. While there is the risk that their requirement may be higher, indications are that it will remain the same.
- j) The Education rates are not yet available. Delivery date is uncertain according to the Ministry. I left the rates the same as 2009 and this resulted in an increase of \$25K. The comparable increase 2009 versus 2008 was \$10K. I expect the 2010 rates will decrease as it has in past years. As such the 2010 Education levy as it stands is about \$15K high.
- k) \$34K has been taken out of Working Reserves to eliminate any levy increase and cover the above items. This will be mostly negated once the Education rates are set and if the Police give us the full \$16K credit as they have done in the past.

The budget as presented is reasonable, in accordance with operational realities and Council's wishes. While some of the issues noted above remain pending at this point in time, resolution of these does not materially reflect the Budget as presented. Staff therefore asks Council to adopt the 2010 Budget as presented.

Treasurer Farinha pointed out the following clarifications and corrections to the budget information circulated:

- *Page 3, Grants, Federal Gas Tax* – the amount of \$129,772.00 shown in the 2009 column in fact, consists of \$122,800. Federal Gas Tax, and \$6,972. COMRIF Grant for PSAB Bridge Study. Thus, the Gas Tax allocation of \$119,410. for 2010 is not as great a decrease as it appears.
- *Page 7, Council, Election Expense* – the 2010 Budget amount should read \$10,575. Funds to cover this discrepancy will come from any surplus or from the General Reserve.
- No funds will be added to Reserves in 2010.

The following issues were raised and discussed:

Councillor Henhoeffler advised that, this being the last year of this term of Council, Council must ensure that the Township's finances are in good standing, and that perhaps it would be more prudent to apply a small levy increase rather than none. She noted that the Capital Equipment Replacement Schedule lists the purchase of a grader in 2010. PWC Wilson advised that this was deferred for 2010 as Council had directed that Howick's budget reflect no increase for this year. Councillor Henhoeffler expressed concern that this could mean a substantial increase for next year to allow purchase of a grader and an emergency truck for the Fire Department.

Treasurer Farinha responded that, although he agrees with and has always supported that practice, he feels that in these tough economic times, with high unemployment and business failures, the Township's finances and reserves are more than strong enough to offset a zero tax increase for this year.

Councillor Versteeg expressed concern that the Landfill Reserve will be reduced by \$14,000. this year (to install test wells) leaving a balance of \$11,000. The reserve was being supplemented in order to purchase a compactor, which may now be further delayed. He emphasized the importance of increasing the Landfill Reserve in future.

Responding to Councillor Versteeg's question about the decrease in the tax rate, Treasurer Farinha confirmed that it is the result of increased assessment due to updated property valuations and assessment added due to construction and improvements. He also noted that the Township's reserves are approximately equivalent to the cost of 1 year of operation.

Councillor Henhoeffler noted that while there is a Replacement Forecast for Public Works Equipment, there are not similar schedules for the Fire Department or Recreation, all of which should be co-ordinated to stagger the expenses. Fire Chief Doig responded that the general rule is that a tanker be replaced at 25 years, and a pumper at 20 years, although he anticipates that fewer calls and less use will result in extending the life of Howick's equipment. His budget will include allotment to reserves each year for equipment replacement. He is looking at the possibility of purchasing a rescue van in the future. Treasurer Farinha added that there are reserves designated for Recreation (Arena & Pool).

Councillors Versteeg and Scott, and Deputy Reeve Yungblut all advised that they felt comfortable that the Township was in a sound financial position to accommodate no increase in taxes for this year only, due to the harsh economic times, so long as we continue to provide the same level of services.

MOTION #049/10

Moved by Yungblut

Seconded by Versteeg

THAT Howick Township Council received, reviewed and discussed at this meeting the draft 2010 Budget dated February 11th, 2010 presented by the Treasurer, and hereby accepts and adopts the proposed budget as presented.

CARRIED

Annual Audit for fiscal 2009

The auditors will be here the first week of March to complete their audit.

Council Remuneration

Howick spent \$52K in 2009 versus \$112K spent by Morris-Turnberry.

Change in Assessments

MPAC advised us the assessment roll needed to be changed per the attached schedule. The net decline for these properties is \$224K.

MOTION #050/10	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Versteeg	
THAT Howick Township Council hereby authorizes the Treasurer to apply revisions to the assessment of, and process property tax adjustments for the affected properties as listed on Schedule 'A' attached hereto, said schedule reflecting amended property assessments as follows:			
	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Net Adjustment</u>
For the Year 2007	\$ 27,533.	0	- \$ 27,533.00
For the Year 2008	\$ 27,533.	0	- \$ 27,533.00
For the Year 2009	\$266,872.	\$97,843.	- \$169,029.00
			- \$224,095.00
			CARRIED

Accounts Payable

The attached accounts are for Council's review and approval.

MOTION #051/10	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut	
THAT Howick Township Council hereby authorizes payment of accounts in the amount of \$158,317.38 under date February 16, 2010 as cheques #8962 to #9005 inclusive, as presented and discussed at the Regular Council meeting held February 16th, 2010.			
			CARRIED

ADDENDUM

Letter of Complaint – Deborah Bujtas

Council received copies of a letter from Ms. Bujtas and a draft letter of response from Treasurer Farinha. Ms. Bujtas was seeking Mr. Farinha's assistant regarding an invoice she received from the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry for emergency services resulting from a motor vehicle accident. Council approved Treasurer Farinha's response explaining that such charges are not the responsibility of property taxpayers, and Ms. Bujtas should forward the invoice to her auto insurance company.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The following report was circulated in the Council package:

Incident Report

No fires or emergencies as of February 12th, 2010.

Chief Doig reported the department responded to a call this evening, which turned out to be a false alarm – smoke from a barbeque triggered the alarm.

New Fire Helmets

I would like to purchase four new helmets. Also, helmet front should be changed on all helmets, which is 22. Three quotes on these items range from \$180.28 to \$235.00 per helmet. North Huron has a surplus helmet which can be purchased for \$150.00 which is a saving of \$50.00. Recommend we purchase this helmet.

Council approved the above purchases, and it was noted that such items, which are included in the approved 2010 budget, therefore, do not require individual resolutions of approval.

Air Cylinders

I would like to purchase new air cylinders. 10 would be sufficient at this time. I have quotes of \$400.00 and \$425.00 per cylinder. Additional quotes of \$422.30 and \$449.00 were provided. This would bring the total number of cylinders to 26. Since this was not a budgeted expense, a resolution approving the expenditure is required.

MOTION #052/10	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut	
THAT Howick Township Council hereby authorizes the Fire Chief to purchase 10 new air cylinders at the quoted price of \$422.30 each plus applicable taxes.			
			CARRIED

Thermal Imaging Camera

The camera should be here by Council meeting.

Chief Doig was told that the camera was a "special order" item, which is the reason for the delay. The Company has guaranteed delivery by this coming weekend.

Fire Services Agreements

Have not received any form of Agreement from Huron East in regards to Mutual Aid in Morris-Turnberry between Howick, North Huron and Huron East.

Chief Doig spoke with the Huron East Fire Chief today about the Agreement. He tried to e-mail a copy of a draft Agreement, but we were unable to retrieve the file.

Council suggested that Chief Doig confer with Jamie Zimmerman of the Fire Marshal's Office regarding the requirements for such an agreement.

Dedicated service recognition

Bill Graham has 15 years of service to the Department as of January 1st, 2010. In the past a gift was presented to firefighters with 15 years service. We will continue with this. There is no service award from Provincial or Federal Governments for 15 years, only 20 and 30 years. It was noted that the Township's Employment Policy includes provisions for recognition of employee service, which would also be applicable to the Firefighters.

Donation Received

I attended a Fordwich Masonic Lodge meeting on February 11th regarding a donation to the Fire Department from a breakfast the lodge had last year. \$600.00 was the donation. The money has been added to the funds of the Howick Firefighters Association to be used for future equipment purchases for the Fire Department.

Updating Pre-Plans

I will be working on updating pre-plans for Nursing Home, Arena's, Howick-Belmore, Feed Mill, and Farm Supply. Also any other businesses in Howick that are not pre-planned e.g. door manufacturing, school, etc. Present plans are outdated and some are missing.

Firemen's Breakfast

Chief Doig reported that the next Spring Breakfast will be held April 25th, and the Fall Breakfast is scheduled for October 24th.

RECREATION/FACILITIES SUPERVISOR'S REPORT – no report

PUBLIC WORKS CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The following report as at February 12th and supporting documentation were circulated in the Council package:

ROADS

PUBLIC WORKS STAFF OPERATIONS

- Plowing/Sanding as required
- Tree Cutting/limbing
- Cleaning/scrubbing walls in old shop

PROPOSED NEW FEES

A draft proposal for increases to our Fees and Charges By-law for machine and labour rates is enclosed. The current fee schedule was implemented in 2005. Your consideration and comments would be appreciated.

Council reviewed the schedule of fees, which listed the current rates as well as the proposed increased rates, and approved the increases as presented. The new rates will be incorporated into an updated "Fees and Charges" by-law.

BUILDING

PROPOSED NEW FEES

Please review the enclosed draft for Building Permit Fees. Your consideration and comments would be appreciated. The current fee schedule was implemented in 2005. If these are acceptable to Council a Public Meeting is required before they can come into force. A copy of the requirement is enclosed.

PWC Wilson provided a comparative listing showing the current permit fees for Howick and the four surrounding municipalities, as well as the proposed increased fees for Howick. He noted that the proposed new rates for Howick are lower than the those of the neighbours. He pointed out that in the section relating to Sewage System Permits, those with noticeably higher fees for septic permits are the municipalities where the Health Unit is the regulating authority. Reeve Demaray noted that discussions continue at the County concerning plans to implement a mandatory septic inspection program.

In January 2008, a draft by-law was presented to Council regarding fencing of swimming pools. It was Council's decision to defer implementing this by-law. A copy of the January 8th, 2008 minutes is enclosed.

Council requested that Mr. Wilson provide a copy of the above-noted proposed by-law for further review at the next Council meeting.

Council felt that the Building Permit Fee increases presented are acceptable.

DRAINAGE

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

I have gone over the "Draft Agreement" from MNR regarding Rainbow Mussels. MNR is preparing the final agreement and By-law.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

APPLICATION FOR SEVERANCE – Hanover Farms Limited

This is an application to sever Lot 21, Concession 12 (100 acres) from Lots 22, 23, 24 and part Lot 25, Concession 12 and Part Lot 23, Concession 11 (355 acres). This is a straightforward severance on an existing lot line. Denise Carnochan provided comments from the Planning Department and is recommending approval.

Council had no concerns or objections to the requested severance.

PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT - Municipality of North Perth

This amendment is related to home industries and home occupations on agricultural lands within North Perth. This proposed amendment shouldn't have an affect on lands within Howick Township.

Council had no concerns or objections to the proposed amendment.

LANDFILL

PROPOSED NEW FEES

Suggested fee increases for landfill tipping fees are enclosed. The current fee schedule was implemented in 2005. Your consideration and comments would be appreciated.

Council asked how revenues from collection fees relate to covering the costs of operation. Mr. Wilson advised that collection fees (ie. bag tags; car, truck & dumpster load fees) are far short of costs. He noted that the proposed increased fees will be less than those charged by other municipalities in the area. Council agreed that the proposed increases are acceptable.

LANDFILL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – R.J. Burnside & Associates

R.J. Burnside has provided the 2010 budget estimates for providing landfill services in Howick. Authorization to sign the agreement is required. MOE had recommended boring three new test wells and those wells are included in this estimate.

MOTION #053/10

Moved by Versteeg

Seconded by Scott

THAT Howick Township Council received and discussed at this meeting the report dated January 25, 2010 from R.J. Burnside "2010 Standard and Supplemental Landfill Services – Budget Estimate" for the Howick Landfill Site, and hereby accepts the proposed Standard Works at the estimated cost of \$28,148.00, and the proposed Supplemental Works at the estimated cost of \$19,250.00, as presented, AND THAT the Public Works Co-ordinator is hereby authorized to sign the requested "Authorization to Proceed" on behalf of the Corporation.

CARRIED

OTHER

WROXETER DAM / RIVERBANK

Andy Ross has indicated that in his opinion, 45% (\$42,255.) of the cost would be related to the road and sidewalk, and 55% (\$51,645.) would be related to the pond/dam. I have instructed Mr. Ross to proceed with the preparation of plans and specifications and then provide a more detailed opinion of probable costs. The Wroxeter Management Committee has been advised of Council's instructions in this matter.

Council advised that when the requested information has been received from Mr. Ross, Council will meet again with the Wroxeter Village Management Committee to discuss the matter further.

CORRESPONDENCE (Information only)

- OGRA – Request for information from Environment Canada on migratory birds.

Mr. Wilson advised that he will respond to the request.

CLERKS REPORT

The following report as at February 12th and supporting documentation were provided at the Council meeting:

MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2010

1. **Nominations** To date, one candidate has filed his Nomination Paper: Max Demaray for Office of Reeve

List of Electors – Unconfirmed Citizenship

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) has provided the attached information regarding the treatment of persons who have not confirmed their Canadian Citizenship.

As a result of a survey following the last municipal elections, many municipalities indicated they do not want the names of persons with unconfirmed citizenship on the electors list. As well, MPAC sought legal opinions to clarify the matter for the 2010 election. As a result, MPAC will now include only persons with confirmed citizenship.

Election Updates

In addition to direct mail flyers containing comprehensive election information, it is my intention to use the "What's Happening in Howick" Newsletter as another vehicle for keeping the public informed throughout the election year.

HOWICK TOWNSHIP SIGNS

Attached is correspondence from Huron County Public Works Director Dave Laurie regarding our enquiry about "Welcome to Howick Township" signs, providing information about sign specifications and roadside location, and offering his assistance.

Council will review the information and discuss the matter further at the next Council meeting.

AGREEMENTS FOR PROVISION OF AERIAL FIRE TRUCK SERVICES

Attached are letters from the Municipality of North Perth and the Town of Minto advising that the Council's of the respective municipalities have ratified the Agreements for the provision of aerial truck services.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION

1. **Operation Clean Sweep** – information and application to become a patron of Pitch-In Ontario (\$275.00). Noted. Action: File
2. **Huron Hospice Volunteer Service** – information and invitation to participate in 'National Hike for Hospice' on the first Sunday in May. Noted. Action: File
3. **Huron-Perth Children's Aid Society** – request for donation of \$500.00 to the Kids Booster Club (see separate pamphlet). Noted. Action: File
4. **Huron County EMS** – would like to arrange a meeting with Council and staff to discuss the process for accessing PRISM 911 and initiate an Emergency Notification Campaign. We are asked to choose from series of dates provided.
Clerk Johnson will contact the EMS office to advise that the following dates would be suitable for a meeting at Howick: March 1st, 8th, 9th or 12th.
5. **Howick & District Lions Club** – proposing to conduct Voluntary Road Toll fundraising campaigns on May 21st and Sept. 3rd, and offering to meet with Council to clarify plans. The Clerk was instructed to request information about the locations of the planned events.

MUNICIPAL RESOLUTIONS

1. **West Lincoln, Township of** – requesting the Province to amend legislation to require that the Ministry of Environment be responsible for the costs relating to clean-up of illegally dumped and/or spilled materials. Noted. Action: File
2. **Richmond Hill, Town of** – requesting that the Federal Minister of Environment declare the David Dunlap Observatory Site in Richmond Hill to be of national historic significance and approve it as a National Historic Site, and that the Provincial Minister of Culture designate the site to be a cultural heritage property. Noted. Action: File

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- Minutes of the closed session held Feb. 2nd, 2010
- By-Law Enforcement Officer's Report
- Local Board Financial Reporting issues
- Legal Matter – Statement of Claim update

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Belmore Community Centre Board

Councillor Scott reported:

- A new freezer has been purchased for the hall.
- The snow removal contractor was asked to fax a copy of his insurance to the municipal office.
- Expense payments included:
 - Hydro - \$6567.
 - Furnace Oil - \$2758.
 - Propane - \$483.
 - Snow Removal - \$1081.
- The Board is seeking price quotes for refinishing the hall floor
- The Board will hold a Community Meeting Feb. 22nd to discuss and get public input on the future use of the facility.

Coalition for Huron Injury Prevention (CHIP)

The copies of the following were circulated in the Council package:

- Minutes of November 18th Committee meeting
- Minutes of January 13th Committee meeting
- Revised Terms of Reference
- Agenda for February 10th meeting

Councillor Henhoeffler reported from the February meeting:

- Continuing with plans for the Seniors Safe Driving seminars:
 - 3 sessions will be held in the spring and 3 in the fall
 - Representatives from OPP and MTO will give presentations
- Next meeting of the Committee will be held March 10th

County of Huron

Reeve Demaray reported the next County meeting will be tomorrow Feb. 17th.

Reeve Demaray provided copies of the following reports presented to County Council:

- From S. Reid & B. Worsell, Health Unit – re. Mandatory Septic System Maintenance Inspection Program. Further research and discussion required.
- From D. Laurie, Director of Public Works – re. Boundary Intersection at County Road 28 and Huron-Bruce Road (McIntosh Corner). No changes to the County Road are warranted.

Huron Bruce Transit

Councillor Scott reported that at the meeting held at the Howick Township Office on Feb. 4th there was some discussion about the possibility of Huron Bruce Transit amalgamating with the other local transit systems, hopefully to reduce operating costs.

Councillor Scott noted that a related matter will be discussed in closed session.

The Committee will meet again for further discussion at the Morris-Turnberry Municipal Office on Thurs. Feb. 18th at 7:30 pm.

Huron County Farm and Home Safety - no report

Maitland Economic Development Committee – next meeting Feb. 18th

Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA)

Copies of the following were circulated in the Council package:

- Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting #11/09 December 16th, 2009
- Minutes of Source Protection Authority Meeting #6/09 December 16th, 2009

Councillor Versteeg reminded all about the February 17th Annual Meeting

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) - no report

MVCA Source Water Protection (SWP) - no report

SVCA Source Water Protection - no report

Wingham Area Fire Board (WAFB) - no report

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION #054/10

Moved by Yungblut

Seconded by Scott

THAT Howick Township Council at this time (9:33 pm) closes this portion of the February 16th, 2010 Regular Meeting of Howick Township Council in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 (2) (b), (e), (f), to deal with personal and legal matters

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- Minutes of the closed session held February 2nd, 2010
- By-Law Enforcement Officer's Report – Property Standards
- Treasurer's Report - Local Board Financial Reporting Issue
- Huron Bruce Transit – Personnel Matters
- Legal Matter – Statement of Claim update

MOTION #055/10

Moved by Scott

Seconded by Versteeg

THAT Howick Township Council hereby approves the Minutes of the closed session held during the Feb. 2nd, 2010 Regular Council Meeting, as presented.

CARRIED

MOTION #056/10

Moved by Versteeg

Seconded by Scott

THAT Howick Township Council now re-opens the February 16th, 2010 Regular Council meeting to the public at this time (10:00 pm)

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS ISSUES - none

CORRESPONDENCE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) (copies attached)

- Environment and Land Tribunals Ontario**
 - Deeming of Outstanding Appeals for the 2009 Taxation Year for the 2010 Taxation Year.
- Ontario Hospital Association**
 - Information available from the Knowledge Center
 - Conference Tuesday March 9, 2010, Navigating the Landscape of Labour Relations in Healthcare
- County of Huron**
 - Copy of presentation made by Warden Bert Dykstra to the Avon Maitland District School at their regular meeting on Tuesday February 9th, 2010
- 2010 Municipal engineers Bursary/Awards Program**
 - Information and application form enclosed.

CORRESPONDENCE forwarded via E-Mail (Feb. 1 – Feb.12, 2010) (No copies attached)

- Association of Municipalities of Ontario**
 - AMO Watch File – Feb 4th Issue
 - AMO, RPWCO and MWA joint response to the Waste Diversion Act review paper
 - Propelling Economic Prosperity – AMO Makes its 2010 Pre-Budget Submission
 - Save money with energy efficiency – New Municipal Workshops
 - Ready. Set. Make an Impact! Register now for media & communications Training Sessions
 - Save on your personal home/auto insurance with LAS
 - OMKN Posts First Annual Report
 - Free Training Opportunities for Municipal Recycling Staff
 - AMO Watch File - February 11th Issue
 - New Deputy Minister Appointments
 - The Looming Potential for Significantly Higher OMERS Costs
 - AMO Annual Conference early bird registration available now for AMO Municipal Members
 - Swedish Speakers to Showcase Sustainable Urban Development Projects at Urban Symposium
 - Ready. Set. Make an Impact! Register now for Media & Communications Training Sessions
 - OMKN Sponsors ROMA/OGRA Conference Workshop, Promotes Prince Edward County Web-based Program
 - Council resolutions regarding illegally dumped materials and recognizing a cultural heritage site
 - Career opportunities in the Town of Collingwood, the City of St. Catharines and Niagara-on-the-Lake
 - AMO Breaking News – AMO Makes its 2010 Pre-budget Submission
 - AMO Events – 2010 Urban Symposium, April 15-16, 2010
- Ontario Good Roads Assoc. (OGRA)** – Frank Cowan Company, Cocktail Reception Sunday February 21st, 2010, 6:00 – 8:00. Copy of invitation sent to Council to R.S.V.P.
- AMCTO Express** – February 5, 2010. AMCTO Seeks Municipal Appointees – Electrical Contractor Registration Agency
- FCM Municipal Marketplace** – Canadian Environment Sustainability Indicators Newsletter
- Foundation for Rural Living** – Provided a complete list of nonprofit organizations who have partnered with the Rural Development Officer Program
- Mohawk College Enterprise** – Election training weekly webinars for prospective candidates in the upcoming municipal election
- Huron Business Development**
 - Issue of Business and Work in Huron County for 2010
 - Family Day at the Huron County Museum
 - Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship Announcement

h) **Huron Tourism**

- Clinton Raceway and the OLG Slots at Clinton Raceway to host benefit for Salvation Army Clinton Food Bank
- How to Establish a Farmers' Market – Meeting on February 18, 2010
- Opening Week for the 'Livery's Theater' – Two Romantic Comedies, 'My Narrator' & 'Strawberries in January'. Box office now open Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 am – 1:00 pm & Wednesdays 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm
- The Taste of Huron culinary festival was awarded the top honour in the 'Best New Event of 2009' Category at the Ontario Economic Development Awards
- Bayfield Reads 2010. Sunday March 7, 2010 at 2:00 pm. Bayfield Town Hall. Tickets \$5.00 each available at The Village Bookshop or at the door

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #057/10

Moved by Versteeg

Seconded by Henhoeffler

THAT Howick Township Council now adjourns the February 16th, 2010 Regular Meeting of Howick Township Council at 10:01 pm, with Council to meet again at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 2nd, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

REEVE

CLERK