

TOWNSHIP OF HOWICK
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20th, 2009 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

Mark Farinha, Treasurer/Tax Collector

Delegations

Peter Keil, Insurance Broker & Jeff Coleman, Frank Cowan Insurance
Howard Stan, Fordwich Tire

Others

Bob Wheeler, Fordwich Tire

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 January 6th was circulated in the Council package.

MOTION #027/09	Moved by Yungblut	Seconded by Scott
THAT Howick Township Council hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 6th, 2009, as circulated.		CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

1. Peter Keil & Jeff Coleman - Frank Cowan Insurance Company

Copies of a report containing claims history, cost analysis of last year's and this year's insurance coverage, schedule of coverage descriptions, and listings of buildings, structures, contents and equipment, were distributed to Council and staff for reference.

Mr. Keil, the Township's local insurance broker, introduced Mr. Coleman, Territory Manager, who has been with the Cowan Company for 13 years.

Mr. Coleman began by providing brief background information about the Cowan Company, which has been in business for 80 years, specializing in the complex "Public Entity" sector, providing a good program of sustainable and affordable coverage. He noted that while some municipalities have experienced significant increases and fluctuations in insurance costs, Howick is in good standing and renewals have been relatively stable in the recent past. This year's renewal will provide the same program level with the same limits and deductible. Mr. Coleman advised that while the present coverage level of \$15 million may be appropriate for Howick, the Company is now offering \$20 million coverage for a minimal increase in premium, which is something Council may wish to consider. Although Howick's claims history has been relatively stable, factors such as court awards and a downturn in the economy cause volatility in the industry. Mr. Coleman pointed out the importance of practicing due diligence to maintain Howick's good standing and stability – proactively inspect, identify and correct problems. Mr. Coleman advised that the deductible of \$10,000.00 is standard for small municipalities, and he cautioned it would be wise to resist the temptation to pay out any settlement for a "bodily injury" claim on the assumption that the claim falls within the parameters of the

deductible. Rather, the claim should be referred to the company for adjudication since the long-term ramifications of such a claim cannot be predicted.

Mr. Coleman emphasized that the policy does not include accident insurance for volunteer workers. Should a volunteer sustain injury while working for the municipality, his/her only recourse would be legal action claiming negligence on the part of the Township or Board. Volunteers should be made aware of this fact, and it is contingent upon the municipality or Board to ensure that their volunteers are properly trained to do what they are doing.

Mr. Coleman also explained “claims made” under errors and omissions – any occurrence that has the potential to give rise to a claim in the future. Such an incident must be reported to the insurance company within the calendar year that it occurs, as there is the possibility that an action could arise in future years.

Further discussion addressed examples of hazardous situations that may or may not place the Township in a position of liability. Mr. Coleman will take the questions back to his Company for further investigation, and will try to provide clarification on some of the matters raised.

In closing, Mr. Coleman thanked Council and invited members of Council attending the OGRA/ROMA conference to visit the Cowan suite on Sunday evening.

Mr. Keil and Mr. Coleman left the meeting at this time (7:35 pm).

2. Mr. Howard Stan, Fordwich Tire – Property Standards

Copies of Mr. Stan’s letter responding to the property standards notice issued, and a letter from a neighbouring business owner expressing support for Fordwich Tire, were circulated in the Council package.

Mr. Stan introduced Mr. Bob Wheeler, a partner in the Fordwich Tire business, and noted that they were in attendance at the invitation of Council to discuss the complaints about the “unsightly” condition of the Fordwich Tire property. Mr. Stan asked if he could find out who has been complaining, stating that “unsightly” is “a matter of opinion” – what’s messy to one person may not be to another – and stated it is difficult to defend himself if he doesn’t know who is complaining. Both advised that they have made some effort to tidy up around the yard and have been trying to keep tire piles away from the front of the building.

Mr. Stan expressed his frustration with the By-Law Enforcement Officer, claiming that she was “harsh” and “threatened” to contact the Ministry of Environment about the proximity to the river of the piles of tires. She suggested that he build shelves to store the tires, which he does not feel is practical. She also suggested that a fence be erected on the west side. Mr. Stan is not prepared to pay for a survey in order to erect a fence, and a fence would interfere with snow removal.

Mr. Stan circulated other letters written by Fordwich residents expressing support for the business, and stating that it is not offensive. He also circulated photos of a similar business in another municipality, which also has piles of tires sitting outside. Mr. Stan stated that he feels that tires sitting in front of the building is “good advertising” for the business. He explained that some of the tires kept there are stock for future use, and that he tries to remove the “scrap” pile every week, but sometimes they just get ahead of him.

Council advised that a significant issue is the tires piled in front of the building, which results in vehicles being serviced on the road, causing a safety hazard. It was suggested that arrangements be made for members of Council and the By-Law Enforcement Officer to meet at the business site to view and discuss the issues and try to arrive at mutually acceptable solutions. Councillors Henhoeffter and Scott volunteered to arrange and attend the meeting.

Mr. Stan and Mr. Wheeler thanked Council for listening to their issues, and left the meeting at 8:00 pm.

COUNCILLORS’ ISSUES

Request to Remove Tree Limb

Deputy Reeve Yungblut presented a letter from a resident on Sanderson Street in Wroxeter requesting that a large broken tree limb be removed.

The letter will be passed on to the Public Works Co-ordinator.

Request for Free Skating for Howick Central School

Deputy Reeve Yungblut advised that she had received an e-mail asking why the Township does not provide free skating for Howick Central School classes.

During discussion it was noted that, contrary to information in the letter, this is not something new – Howick students have always paid for skating. In another municipality, the Lions Club sponsors skating time for school students. The matter of a reciprocal agreement between Howick Township and the Avon Maitland School Board was addressed, and Council confirmed the decision that such an Agreement was of no benefit to the Township. It was pointed out that the home-schooled students also pay for use of the facility. It was generally agreed that the Township has a duty to operate the facility on a business-like basis, and that the amount

each student is required to pay is minimal, therefore, there will be no change in the policy to charge the school for ice time. The Clerk will respond to the letter.

Wingham Area Fire Board – Proposal to Establish Task Force

Copies of an unsigned report, delivered to Councillor Versteeg by Norm Fairles, were provided at the meeting. The report outlines a proposal for creating an independent ‘Task Force’ to do the following:

- Review the history of the current [joint fire] agreement
- Identify any obstacles to maintaining the agreement
- Engage in dialogue with the Fire Board, Municipalities and the general public
- Develop cost effective, practical solutions to any identified obstacles
- Make recommendations for the future with a clearly articulated path forward.

According to the proposal “Anticipated outcomes” would be:

- An unbiased, clear picture of the current situation
- Identified problems with practical solutions
- A true costing for any future direction
- Potential for an interim, short term agreement which would create a window of opportunity for each party to conduct its own fiscal review and determine its future path
- Public buy-in for the process and outcomes.

The proposal stipulates terms of reference for the Task Force, essential skills for members, and time frames for achieving goals. Costs would be minimal as members would volunteer their time.

Councillor Versteeg understands that this same information is to be given to Morris-Turnberry Council, but it was not known if North Huron was to receive it as well. The general consensus of Council was that it was not a voluntary decision on the part of Howick or Morris-Turnberry to dissolve the Agreement – the decision was forced by the actions of North Huron. Since this proposal is unsigned, it is difficult to give it credence, and it comes too late to be of any benefit.

TREASURER’S REPORT

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

AgriSpirit Grant – Belmore Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce has received \$5,000.00 [from AgriSpirit] for upgrades to the BCC arena. They would like Howick Township to act as a clearinghouse for these funds. The Chamber needs the Township to send a letter to Farm Credit, Listowel advising that the Township Treasurer is authorized to collect and disburse these funds for the upgrades.

MOTION #028/09

Moved by Versteeg

Seconded by Yungblut

WHEREAS the Belmore Chamber of Commerce has made application to the Farm Credit Canada “AgriSpirit” program to provide funding for replacement of ice surface boards, netting and safety glass at the Belmore Community Centre,

NOW THEREFORE Howick Township Council hereby agrees that the Corporation of the Township of Howick will:

1. receive contributions from AgriSpirit on behalf of the Belmore Chamber of Commerce (the recipient);
2. control expenditures and ensure funds are used only for the project;
3. issue official receipts in the name of the municipality.

CARRIED

Council Remuneration 2008

As required by Section 284 of the Municipal Act, attached is a schedule of Council remuneration paid in 2008.

Wroxeter Hall Water Treatment System

This system has been provided by King’s Home Hardware at a cost of \$978.06. This issue was discussed by Council at October 21, 2008 meeting, but no resolution was passed for the Township to help with this expense. It seems that since the Township split the cost of a similar system when it was required by Fordwich Hall, similar financial help is being requested here. Since the system was installed at the Church property, the Church should pay and then submit a bill to the Wroxeter Board. (background documentation attached)

MOTION #029/09

Moved by Yungblut

Seconded by Scott

WHEREAS, due to adverse water test results, it was deemed necessary to purchase and install a UV Sterilizer System at the Wroxeter United Church,

AND WHEREAS the Wroxeter United Church provides water to the Wroxeter Community Hall;

NOW THEREFORE Howick Township Council agrees to share the cost of the purchase and installation of the sterilizer system, and hereby authorizes and instructs the Treasurer to reimburse the Wroxeter Hall Board in the amount of \$489.03, which represents 50% of the total cost thereof. CARRIED

Resignation of Gorrie Village Management Chairwoman

Elva Budgell has resigned. Her resignation note is attached. We plan to contact Elva and ask her to meet with us. We should ask her to reconsider and to discuss the issues which, in her opinion, need to be fixed. Failing to get Elva to withdraw her resignation will mean a new Chair needs to be appointed by Council.

Treasurer Farinha reported that he was in contact with Ms. Budgell, who will meet with him next week to try to identify the problems and discuss how to solve them. Treasurer Farinha will ask if she would like to come to Council for further discussion.

OPP

General promotional correspondence from Julian Fantino is attached. The letter outlines the updated "Cost Recovery Formula" approved by the province, to be implemented Jan. 1, 2009.

Wingham Advance Times Advertising 2009

Resolution 03/08 of January 2008 authorized sponsorship of Community Pages in this paper for the following events: Maple Syrup Festival; Farm Safety. Does Council wish to maintain sponsorship of these 2 events for 2009? I recommend single sponsorship.

It was suggested that sponsorship of the "Fire Prevention" issue also be added.

MOTION #030/09	Moved by Yungblut	Seconded by Scott
THAT Howick Township Council hereby authorizes the purchase of sponsorship in the Wingham Advance-Times for the following 2009 events:		
Belmore Maple Syrup Festival (April, 2009) - \$37.00		
Farm Safety (July, 2009) - \$30.00		
Fire Prevention (Sept. 2009) - \$?		
		CARRIED

Interim Audit 2008

The auditors attended for the Interim Audit which was scheduled for 2 days of January 8th and 9th. However, they found our financial procedures in such good condition that they completed their work in one day and left. The final audit will be done the first week of March.

PUBLIC WORKS CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The following report as at January 16th was circulated in the Council package:

I will not be at the meeting on Tuesday evening. The Drainage Superintendents Association of Ontario's Board of Directors Meeting and the LICO/DSAO Annual Meeting and Conference are on January 20-22, 2009.

ROADS

PUBLIC WORKS STAFF OPERATIONS

- More snow
- Tree trimming as weather permits
- Staff Training on Fall Arrest

FORDWICH STREET RE-CONSTRUCTION

The Engineers have completed the detailed design estimates. These estimates are included in the package. I just received this to-day and have not reviewed them in any detail. A decision on including this project with the County's work will have to be made at the first meeting in February. This is assuming the County are going ahead this year.

BUILDING - No Report

DRAINAGE

OMAFRA – ADIP Grant Application

The 2008 grant application for maintenance and Drainage Superintendent expenses will be submitted before January 31, 2009.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT - No Report

LANDFILL - No Report

OTHER

CLOSED SESSION

There is a closed session item to present to Council.
(Staff performance evaluations and pay recommendations)

CORRESPONDENCE Requiring Council Action (copies attached)

1. **Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region** – invitation to attend a ‘Municipal Update Information Meeting Friday, Jan. 23rd, 9:30 am – 11:30 am at the OMAFRA building in Clinton. A Calendar of Events is also enclosed.
No one is able to attend this event.

2. **James & Robyn MacEwen** – requesting winter maintenance on Toll Gate Line between Spencetown Road and Creamery Road.

It was decided that this matter should be discussed with the Public Works Co-ordinator, and will be brought back to the next meeting. The Clerk will contact the MacEwen’s to advise them of this action.

3. **Kelly Payne** – requesting that the Township provide free skating for Howick Central School NB – this matter was discussed earlier – see “Councillors Issues”

MUNICIPAL RESOLUTIONS - none at this time

Closed Session Items

- Minutes of the closed session held January 6, 2008
- By-Law Enforcement Officer’s Report

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS

The listing of Accounts Payable for January 20, 2009 was circulated in the Council package.

MOTION #034/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Versteeg
THAT Howick Township Council hereby authorizes payment of accounts in the amount of \$115,427.79 under date January 20, 2008 as cheques #7738 to #7794 inclusive, as presented and discussed at the Regular Council meeting held January 20, 2008.		
		CARRIED

BY-LAWS

By-Law No. 06-2009 – Appoint Members to Committee of Adjustment

MOTION #035/09	Moved by Yungblut	Seconded by Versteeg
THAT Howick Township Council gives first, second, and third and final reading to By-Law No. 06-2009, being a by-law to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment.		
		CARRIED

By-Law No. 07-2009 – Appoint Members to the Property Standards Committee

MOTION #036/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Versteeg
THAT Howick Township Council gives first, second, and third and final reading to By-Law No. 07-2009, being a by-law to appoint members to the Property Standards Committee.		
		CARRIED

By-Law No. 08-2009 – Deem Lots in a Registered Plan

MOTION #037/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Henhoeffter
THAT Howick Township Council gives first, second, and third and final reading to By-Law No. 08-2009, being a by-law to deem lots in a registered plan to not be registered (Lots 145 & 146, Village of Gorrie).		
		CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Belmore Community Centre Board

Councillor Scott reported from the meeting held Jan. 19th:

- 2 Stag ‘n Doe’s are booked – May 2nd and May 9th
- Due to a problem with a section of painting, the Board is holding back a portion of payment to the contractor until the issue is resolved.
- Discussed the importance of keeping the volunteer list updated.
- The Board Treasurer is to come in the talk with the Township Treasurer (it was noted that she was in to the office today to get cheques signed, but did not speak with the Treasurer)
- Since the grant from AgriSpirit was only \$5,000.00, the project will need to be scaled back at this time.

- The Chamber of Commerce is holding a supper on Feb. 12th – at that time they will receive a cheque from the International Plowing Match in the amount of \$2,000.00.
- Snow removal costs for December amounted to \$4,867.00

Coalition for Huron Injury Prevention (CHIP)

Copies of the following were circulated in the Council package:

- Information about CHIP and summary of 2008 activities
- Actions and business plan for 2009

Councillor Henhoeffler reported from the January 14th meeting:

- The above information was presented to County Council on January 14th
- Master training for trainers to train youth on ATV safety will be held in March at the Health Unit in Clinton
- Another speed campaign and placement of the electronic sign is planned for the spring, with closer follow-up with OPP – ie. number of tickets issued, etc.
- The next CHIP meeting will be Feb. 18th, 2009

Treasurer Farinha prompted discussion about the high speeds and dangerous passing practices of the many transport trucks hauling road salt passing through the Township on County Road 87. Councillor Scott advised that he has spoken with OPP about the problem, and they admit that although they have stopped the trucks on occasion, it hasn't solved the problem. Councillor Henhoeffler noted that when the electronic speed indicator sign was set up in Howick, it clearly indicated that transport trucks are exceeding the speed limits. Councillor Henhoeffler agreed to take the complaints to the OPP representative on CHIP. It was also decided that letters of complaint should be sent to the trucking companies, the salt company and the OPP Commissioner.

Deputy Reeve Yungblut suggested that the Township also submit another request to the Huron County Highways Department requesting the erection of "No Engine Brakes" signs on County Road 87 in proximity to the villages.

County of Huron

Reeve Demaray reported:

- The last 2 meetings were devoted to budget discussions
- Initially the increase was set at .9%, but during further discussion 2 sizeable amounts were added to expenditures, one being funding for the Research Facility in Clinton, and the other for the Bluewater Rest Home. These changes brought the total budget to a 2.1% increase.
- Restructuring discussions are ongoing, and it was decided to hire a consultant to advise and guide Council in this matter.

Huron County Farm and Home Safety

Councillor Versteeg reported that he was unable to attend the last meeting. He noted that the Committee is again presenting the annual elementary school safety poster contest.

Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA)

Councillor Versteeg advised that the Board will meet this Friday to begin the Strategic Review.

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) - no report

MVCA Source Water Protection (SWP)

The following were circulated in the Council package:

- report from the Source Protection Committee January 9th meeting
- excerpt from Regulations: Sec. 1.1 *Prescribed Drinking Water Threats*

Deputy Reeve Yungblut reviewed the information in the report.

SVCA Source Water Protection (SWP) - no report

Wheels Away

Councillor Scott reported from the January 12th meeting:

- The balance sheet continues to show losses, mainly due to low ridership numbers.
- Morris-Turnberry Administrator Nancy Michie will be attending the next meeting to provide information about funding and appropriate uses of the money available.
- Consideration is being given to changing the name of the organization to include Bruce County, which contributes funding to the enterprise.
- Administration changes are being considered
- It is recognized that better advertising is needed to increase visibility ie. at hospitals, retirement and nursing homes, etc.

Wingham Area Fire Board

Copies of the following were circulated in the Council package:

- Minutes of the Dec. 10th Board Meeting
- Notice from North Huron postponing the ‘Fire Services Review’ meeting scheduled for January 14th
- Notes from the Nov. 12th ‘Fire Services Review’ meeting

Reeve Demaray and Deputy Reeve Yungblut reported from the Jan. 14th Fire Board meeting:

- The Board sent out 10 requests for proposal after extending the time frame, but has been unsuccessful to date in finding a second Appraisal firm.
- American Appraisal has begun work on the project
- It is agreed that one appraisal will not be sufficient.
- The Wingham Fire Hall land and building are to be appraised separately
- Howick’s representatives opposed the purchase of a new filling station compressor at a cost in excess of \$25,000.00 this year in view of the pending dissolution of the Board and suggested that an alternative be used in the interim. The Board approved the purchase, however, it was agreed that Howick and Morris-Turnberry will not forfeit this year’s depreciation on the purchase.
- The purchase of bunker gear was also approved.
- Wingham firefighters requested a meeting of all firefighters (Wingham, Blyth, Gorrie) be arranged, but the request was defeated.

Further discussion ensued regarding the future direction of Howick Township for providing fire services. Some felt that a decision should be made as soon as possible, but agreed that specific information is needed from North Huron before Howick can commit to a decision - ie. a financial analysis of projected costs of operating the autonomous North Huron Fire Department and corresponding estimated cost Howick will be charged to purchase service; whether or not North Huron plans to continue operation of the satellite fire station in Gorrie. In the absence of concrete information from North Huron, Council speculated that if North Huron abandons the Gorrie Station, Howick would be placed in the position of continuing its operation independently.

It was agreed that if Howick moves in the direction of establishing its own fire department, consultation and assistance will be sought from the Office of the Fire Marshall to ensure that all requirements under the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act* are fulfilled. Council hopes to make a decision on the direction Howick will take at the next Council meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION #038/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut
THAT Howick Township Council at this time (10:27 pm) closes this portion of the Jan. 20 th , 2009 Regular meeting of Howick Township Council in accordance with the <i>Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 (2)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e)</i> to deal with personnel and personal matters.		
		CARRIED

Matters Discussed in Closed Session

- Minutes of January 6th, 2008 Closed Session (approved by Resolution #039/09)
- By-Law Enforcement Officer’s Report
- Personnel Matters: Performance Evaluations and Compensation

MOTION #040/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut
THAT Howick Township Council now re-opens the January 20 th , 2009 Regular Council meeting to the public at this time (10:38 pm).		
		CARRIED

Approval of Remuneration

MOTION #041/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut
THAT Howick Township Council hereby accepts the report of the Public Works Co-ordinator concerning the Performance Evaluation for the Landfill Site Foreman, and authorizes and directs that Mr. Freeman’s remuneration be increased to Step 3 on the 2009 Pay Grid effective January 1, 2009.		
		CARRIED

MOTION #042/09	Moved by Scott	Seconded by Yungblut
THAT Howick Township Council hereby accepts the report of the Public Works Co-ordinator concerning the Performance Evaluation for the Landfill Site Attendant, and authorizes and directs that Mr. White’s remuneration be increased to Step 4 on the 2009 Pay Grid effective January 1, 2009		
		CARRIED

MOTION #043/09**Moved by Scott****Seconded by Henhoeffler**

THAT Howick Township Council hereby accepts the report of the Public Works Co-ordinator concerning the Performance Evaluation for Machine Operator/Labourer Dean Nicholson, and authorizes and directs that Mr. Nicholson's remuneration be increased to step 5 on the 2009 pay grid effective January 1, 2009.

CARRIED**CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY (Copies included)**

- a) **Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**
 - Alert No. 09/001 – AMO Pre-Budget Submission Highlights
 - FYI No. 09/001 – Municipal Leaders Forum on Green Building
- b) **Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing** – Improved Energy Efficiency Standards for New Homes – Ontario Building Code now requires new insulation requirements
- c) **Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)** – Ontario Reliability Outlook, Dec.2008
- d) **Communities in Bloom** – Ontario Programs information; Nov. 2008 Magazine
- e) **Parks & Recreation Ontario** – WinterActive 2009 programs
- f) **Colleges Ontario** – College Voice newsletter Jan. 2009
- g) **Municipal World** – 'Cultural Planning for Creative Communities' publication available
- h) **Huron County Senior Economic Development Officer Michael Pullen** – Memorandum regarding "Communities in Transition" funding (copy of application available, not included)
- i) **Barbara Ashbee-Lormand, Shelburne** – copy of letter to Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing describing problems with large wind turbines.
- j) **Brian & Brenda McBurney** – Thank you for Certificate of Recognition

CORRESPONDENCE forwarded via E-Mail (Jan. 2 - 16) (No copies attached)

- a) **Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**
 - ONE Funds Bulletin – Universe Corporate Bond Fund investment opportunity
- b) **Federation of Canadian Municipalities**
 - 'Forum' Magazine inaugural electronic version
 - 'Members Advisory': FCM releases list of over 1,000 municipal infrastructure projects that would create hundreds of thousands of jobs to stimulate economy
- c) **Excellence In Manufacturing (EMC)** – EMC and OMAFRA launch Peer-to-Peer Food Sector Consortium & On-line Network for Food & Beverage Manufacturers/Processors
- d) **Think Plastics** – to be featured in a CBC TV documentary Thurs. Jan. 15th (repeat Sat. Jan. 17 on CBC Newsworld)
- e) **Ontario Library Association** – Super Conference 2009 "Municipal Partnerships Build Creative Communities", Jan. 28-31 in Toronto
- f) **Huron County Health Unit** – 'Emergency Preparedness Planner' newsletter, Dec. 2008
- g) **Huron Tourism Association**
 - Huron Country Playhouse, Grand Bend – overview of 2009 season

The above correspondence was noted. Action: File

ADJOURNMENT**MOTION #044/09****Moved by Scott****Seconded by Yungblut**

THAT Howick Township Council now adjourns the January 20th, 2009 Regular Meeting of Howick Township Council at 10:40 pm, with Council to meet again at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 3rd, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

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 CLERK