

**TOWNSHIP OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
COUNCIL MEETING  
April 13, 2006**

Attending: Reeve Richard Stephens, Councillors Bowerman, Orford, McCutcheon, McDougall, Unsworth and Witty. Also in attendance were the Clerk-Treasurer, CBO G. Strong, one member of the press and seven ratepayers.

The Reeve called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest at this time.

**084-06      MOTION: Orford and Witty**

That the agenda be approved for use at this meeting with the following addition: item 7a) legal issue...carried.

**085-06      MOTION: Bowerman and Witty**

That the minutes of the last regular Council meeting held on March 23, 2006 be approved as presented...carried.

There were no delegations or petitions before council.

**086-06      MOTION: Bowerman and Witty**

That By-law 2006-06, being a by-law to amend Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07 be given its several readings and be duly passed...motion withdrawn.

**087-06      MOTION: McCutcheon and McDougall**

That By-law 2006-06, being a by-law to amend Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07, be send back to the Property Committee for further discussion and clarification...carried.

**088-06      MOTION: Bowerman and McCutcheon**

That the municipality accept MPAC's offer to supply an assessment information sheet to be inserted into the 2006 final tax bill...carried.

**089-06      MOTION: Orford and Unsworth**

That Central Manitoulin pay its share of the 2005 POA deficit in the amount of \$ 2,717.15...carried.

**090-06      MOTION: Bowerman and Witty**

That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Central Manitoulin supports the 2006 Census and encourages all residents to complete their census forms online at [www.census2006.ca](http://www.census2006.ca) or by mail by Tuesday, May 16, 2006, so that accurate and complete data will be available to support programs and social services that benefit us all...carried.

**091-06      MOTION: Orford and McDougall**

WHEREAS: Statistics Canada will conduct the Censuses of Population and Agriculture on Tuesday, May 16, 2006; and

WHEREAS: the Township of Central Manitoulin supports the census because grants are provided to our Municipality based on a complete enumeration; and

WHEREAS: census information is vital to support policy analysis and public debate by governments, businesses and institutions for a wide variety of social and

economic issues such as health, immigration, education, training, housing, income support, and the environment; and

WHEREAS: the *Statistics Act* of Canada requires that personal information provided on census questionnaires will be kept strictly confidential and

THEREFORE: I, Richard L. Stephens, Reeve of the Township of Central Manitoulin do hereby declare the week of May 14 to 20 as CENSUS WEEK in Central Manitoulin Township and call upon all residents to complete and return their census questionnaires online at [www.census2006.ca](http://www.census2006.ca) or by mail by Tuesday, May 16, 2006...carried.

**092-06 MOTION: Bowerman and Orford**

That Central Manitoulin pay the rental fee for the use of the Spring Bay Hall on February 15, 2006 in the amount of \$ 42.80 on behalf of the BR+E committee...carried.

**093-06 MOTION: McDougall and Witty**

That the Reeve attend the April 19, 2006 Rainbow District School Board "Pathways" presentation and that the municipality will pay for the Reeves mileage expenses...carried.

**094-06 MOTION: McDougall and McCutcheon**

That Council continue with the \$1,000 donation to the Hilly Grove Cemetery...carried.

**095-06 MOTION: Bowerman and Witty**

After due deliberation and discussions with our fire department personnel, we recommend to Council that they advise the Township of Tehkummah that we are unable to proceed, at this time, with their request to investigate a joint fire services with Central Manitoulin...carried.

**096-06 MOTION: Orford and Bowerman**

That the Township of Central Manitoulin apply to FEDNOR on behalf of the Economic Partners group for funding for an Ambassador Program –on the ChiCheemaun to include wages and materials in the amount of \$10,000.00 for 2006...carried.

**097-06 MOTION: McCutcheon and Orford**

That the Township authorize staff to make application for funding of the proposed Welcome Centre and Historical Society building...carried.

**098-06 MOTION: Bowerman and Unsworth**

That we approve the March 2006 cheque register in the amount of \$ 694,074.54 as presented...carried.

**099-06 MOTION: McDougall and Bowerman**

**WHEREAS** the Manitoulin Centennial Manor (Manor) has been experiencing financial and operational difficulties and is under voluntary compliance with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MHLTC),

**AND WHEREAS** the Manor presented a 2006 operating budget which would have placed undue hardship on the ratepayers in the participating municipalities,

**AND WHEREAS** the MHLTC has agreed to pay for all operating, consulting and compliance related costs incurred in the operation of the facility for 2006 that exceed all Resident fees and municipal contributions of \$277,060.

**AND WHEREAS** the MHLTC will undertake an operational review, governance review and financial review of the Manor, which will explore alternate organizational, management and governance structures,

**AND WHEREAS** the MHLTC will provide copies of the reviews to the participating municipalities for their consideration and review by September of 2006,

**AND WHEREAS** the Manor Board has agreed to fully cooperate with the Ministry, and its consultants, and to provide bi-monthly status reports to the participating municipalities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Central Manitoulin hereby agrees to provide financial support to the Manor for 2006 in an amount equal to the Township's financial contribution to the Manor in 2005...carried.

**100-06 MOTION: McCutcheon and Unsworth**

That the 2006 Manitoulin Centennial Manor Requisition in the amount of \$54,870.08 be paid as per the invoicing...carried.

**101-06 MOTION: Bowerman and Unsworth**

That the 2006 Operating/Capital Budget be approved in the amount of \$4,798,130.00 expense, \$2,439,850.00 revenue, with a levy to be raised of \$2,358,280.00, and further that By-law 2006-07, being a by-law to authorize the adoption of the estimates of all sums required, confirm the tax ratios to be used and to apply the rates of taxation for 2006 be given its several readings and be duly passed...carried.

**102-06 MOTION: McDougall and Orford**

That we donate \$1,200.00 to the Central Manitoulin School Fair to be held in September 2006 on behalf of the ratepayers of Central Manitoulin Township...carried.

**103-06 MOTION: Orford and Bowerman**

That the municipality nominate Erma McAllister for a senior of the Year award for 2006...carried.

**104-06 MOTION: Unsworth and Bowerman**

That a letter be written to the Ministry of Transportation asking that a quick resolution of the selection of a site for the Licensing Bureau in the Mindemoya area take place, as this is an important and convenient asset to our citizens and business people...carried.

**105-06 MOTION: Orford and Unsworth**

That we send the proposed motion regarding the Zhiibaahaasing First Nation tire pile to the Waste and Water committee meeting of April 18, 2006...carried.

Councillor McCutcheon declared a conflict of interest on the next item of the agenda.

**106-06      MOTION: McDougall and Unsworth**

That the public meeting to consider a proposed zoning by-law amendment for the property owned by the Mindemoya Curling Rink be set for Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. and that further, Council cancel the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Council meeting and the May 25, 2006 one as well and hold only one Council meeting in the month of May on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m...carried.

**107-06      MOTION: Bowerman and Witty**

That Council now go in camera to consider a legal issue...carried.

**108-06      MOTION: McCutcheon and Bowerman**

That Council now come out of in camera...carried.

**109-06      MOTION: Orford and McDougall**

That we authorize the Clerk to donate \$500.00 on behalf of the Township to the Gore Bay Fish Hatchery...carried.

**110-06      MOTION: Bowerman and McDougall**

That any action taken at tonight's meeting which may require a by-law be so authorized by Council...carried.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Councillor McCutcheon at 8:45 p.m.

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REEVE – RICHARD STEPHENS

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CLERK-RUTH FRAWLEY

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the Township of Central Manitoulin do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of a meeting of Council held on Thursday, April 13, 2006.

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