**Village of Grand Manan**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Grand Manan Community Centre**

**April 4, 2011 – 7:30 pm**

**Calling to Order:**

Mayor Greene called this meeting to order @ 7:30 pm

**Attendance:**

Mayor Dennis Greene, Deputy Mayor Peter Wilcox, Councillors Wayne Sturgeon, Stuart Green, Sherman Ross, Phil Ells Jr. Kevin Travis, Maurice Green, Kirk Cheney, Mark Ingersoll, Chief Administrative Officer Rob MacPherson, Clerk/Asst. Treasurer Melanie Frost, Constable Casey, 4 members of the public and 2 GMTV workers.

**Prayer:**

Prayer was offered by Councillor Phil Ells Jr.

**Opening Remarks:**

Mayor Greene spoke of attending the Charlotte County Mayors Meeting in St. Andrews and comparing Grand Manan to St. Andrews and Blacks Harbour, our outlook for the future is probably the best in Charlotte County. The Government of New Brunswick is looking for a purchaser or leasee to operate the Algonquin Hotel. If this hotel closes it will be a financial blow to all of Charlotte County. The bright spot in our community is the Community Centre with the arena working well and drawing in a large number of participants. We the people of Grand Manan should be thankful and show our appreciation to the coaches and all the other volunteers who made our first partial season a great success. Mayor Greene congratulated the two men’s basketball teams for winning their tournaments on the weekend. Mayor Greene recognised the successful career of fellow Grand Mananer, Deputy Commissioner Gary Bass, retiring after 39 years in the RCMP. Mayor and Council offered their sympathy to Mayor, Sharon Tucker and family on the death of her father, Arnold Tucker.

**Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:**

No disclosures at this time

**Adoption of Minutes:**

Moved by Councillor Kevin Travis, seconded by Councillor Mark Ingersoll to adopt the minutes of March 7, 2011 as circulated

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-36*

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilcox, seconded by Councillor Ells that the additional items, newspaper ad for Grand Manan and resort map advertisement with Charlotte County Tourist Association be added to New Business

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-37*

**RCMP Report:**

Constable Carl Casey read the RCMP Report

**Correspondence:**

**Statistics Canada Census Letter:**

Mayor Dennis Greene read the Statistics Canada Census letter and encouraged residents to participate in the Census Survey.

**Canadian Cancer Society Letter:**

Mayor Dennis Green read the Canadian Cancer Society Letter declaring April 27, 2011 Daffodil Day.

**New Business:**

**Transfer of Joan Chamberlain, Department of Natural Resources:**

Moved by Councillor Sturgeon, seconded by Councillor Travis to write a letter of support for Joan Chamberlain to the Minister of Natural Resources, Premier Alward and to all other sources necessary

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-38*

**Annual Ditch Cleaning:**

Mayor Greene asked CAO Rob MacPherson to run an ad on the Community Chanel for the Annual Ditch Cleaning

**Introduction of Ethanol 10**

Mayor Green read the Introduction of Ethanol 10 letter from Esso and Irving Oil advising on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 the introduction of 10% ethanol to regular unleaded gasoline. This may cause issues for some gasoline powered equipment and storage facilities. Chief Administrative Officer, Rob MacPherson reported the local gas outlet was in the progress of providing an alternative gasoline i.e. premium. The process would take time, no definite time line for completion at this time.

**Advertisement – Come Play, Come Stay**

Moved by Councillor Travis, seconded by Councillor Sturgeon to have the, Grand Manan Come Play Come Stay, newspaper advertisement, quarter of a page, the same as last year

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-39*

**Resort Map**

Moved by Councillor Travis, seconded by Councillor Ross to table the decision to advertise with the Resort Maps until there is more information

*Motion Carried 11-40*

*Yes Vote: Councillors, Mark Ingersoll, Wayne Sturgeon, Maurice Green, Stuart Green,*

*Sherman Ross, Phil Ells Jr.*

*No Votes: Deputy Mayor Peter Wilcox, Councillor Kirk Cheney*

**Committee Reports:**

**Fire Department Report:**

Councillor Phil Ells Jr. reported to Council the past months activities of the Fire Department

**Arena Report:**

Councillor Wayne Sturgeon reported to Council the end of the first partial season of the Arena

**Charlotte Coastal Region Tourism Association Report:**

Councillor Kirk Cheney reported to Council

Moved by Councillor Cheney, seconded by Councillor Ells to send a letter of support for the 2011 Atlanticade Motorcycle Event in Charlotte County

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-41*

**UMNB Zone 4 Report:**

Councillor Wayne Sturgeon reported to Council the UMNB Zone 4 meeting held on March 12, 2011 was well attended, discussion centered on the FINN Report and how, if adopted, it would impact the Municipal Governance

**Library Board Report:**

Councillor Wayne Sturgeon reported to Council, Annual Auction being held on April 16, 2011 at GMCS

**Approval to Pay the Following Invoices:**

**General Operating Fund:**

Moved by Councillor Maurice Green, seconded by Councillor Mark Ingersoll to pay the following invoices:

Beers Neal LLP 2010 Year End $5650.00

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-42*

Moved by Councillor Maurice Green, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilcox to move into closed session

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-43*

This meeting was adjourned into Closed Session at 8:27 pm

This meeting was called back to order at 9:10 pm

**Closed Session:**

**Traffic Lane Striping Proposal:**

Moved by Councillor Maurice Green, seconded by Councillor Phil Ells Jr. to stay with Four Seasons Sports Ltd. for 2 years with no increase in cost for the service

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-44*

**Whistle Road Property Rental:**

Moved by Councillor Maurice Green, seconded by Councillor Stuart Green for CAO Rob MacPherson to meet with Dr. Aliabadi to handle the Whistle Road Property rental

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-45*

**Next Meeting**

**Regular Council Meeting**

Grand Manan Community Centre

May 2, 2011 – 7:20 pm

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Councillor Wayne Sturgeon, seconded by Councillor Maurice Green

*Motion Unanimously Carried 11-46*

This meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm

Mayor:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Clerk:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Approval:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_