Manitou Beach Council Notes for March 2, 2011 Meeting Submitted by Deputy Mayor Larry Zemlak

Foreman Keith Polley updated Council on progress to address the potential spring flooding along the beach. Engineer drawings are almost complete for highway berm and contact was made with three potential contractors for bids on the project. Since the work should be done before runoff, extra costs are incurred in heating the fill above freezing temperature so that adequate compaction can occur to help prevent wave action erosion. Costs are expected to be extensive. The provincial government is committed to finance three quarters of the construction cost of the preventative initiative. No progress has been announced to further reduce the expense to property owners.

Council approved the Wheatland Regional Library levy of \$1013.55. This is based on the 2006 census figure of 233 residents.

Discussion was continued on potential policies to stimulate residential and commercial development through a period of municipal tax forgiveness during construction phases.