



**County  
of Huron**

# **Huron County Council**



**Minutes - February 7, 2007**

**Third Session**

*GODERICH, ONTARIO*

Huron County Council met in the Council Chambers on the above date at 9:00 a.m.

The Chief Administrative Officer called the roll and all members were present except Councillor B. Siemon.

Warden D. Shewfelt welcomed the members to the Session and the Page, Jason Dowson. Councillor B. Dowson introduced his Grandson, a Grade 8 student at the Huron Centennial Public School.

Minutes of the previous Session being January 3, 2007 were adopted as circulated on motion of Councillor J. Seili and Councillor B. Dykstra.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated January 10, 2007 was presented by Councillor B. Dowson, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Scott Tousaw, Director, Planning and Development, and Don Pletch, County Engineer, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Clause #12(d) Highways Information Report

Original Motion is:

"Moved by B. Siemon

Seconded by B. Van Diepenbeek

That the Highways Department be instructed to tender 80% of last years approved Highways Capital and Major Maintenance budget to a maximum of five (5) million dollars. Carried"

Additional Motion:

Moved by Councillor B. Dykstra

Seconded by B. Van Diepenbeek

That the motion be amended to include the Benmiller Bridge Project which is to be funded through the Gas Tax Revenue.

Carried

Moved by Councillor B. Dowson

Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan

That the report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated January 10, 2007 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #6.

Carried

The report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated January 9, 2007 was presented by Councillor J. Bezaire, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor J. Bezaire

Seconded by Councillor K. Oke

That the report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated January 9, 2007 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #7.

Carried

The report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated January 11, 2007 was presented by Councillor J. Seili, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor J. Seili

Seconded by Councillor J. Fergusson

That the report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated January 11, 2007 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #8.

Carried

The report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated January 12, 2007 was presented by Councillor D. Kelly, Chair. Jennifer Cowan, Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee Co-ordinator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor D. Kelly

Seconded by Councillor J. Grace

That the report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated January 12, 2007 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #9.

Carried

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated January 16, 2007 was presented by Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer. Nancy Rennick, Manager of Financial Services and Deputy Treasurer, and Darcy Michaud, Acting Director of Human Resources, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor J. Bezaire

Seconded by Councillor M. Scott

That the report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated January 16, 2007 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #10.

Carried

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Larry Adams informed Council that interviews for the position of Human Resources Director will be held on Monday, February 12, 2007 with a report to be forthcoming to the February Committee of the Whole.

Also that an additional report was distributed to the members of Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee for the meeting on February 14, 2007.

On the Councillor's desks today were the following: Human Resource and Finance Policies, Department Orientations and the 2005 Strategic Plan.

Larry Adams, CAO, read a letter that was distributed to the Councillors today from R. W. Elliott, dated January 15, 2007 regarding tax levies. Discussion took place.

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan

Seconded by Councillor J. Seili

That the issue of Ball's Bridge be reconsidered.

Warden Shewfelt requested a Recorded Vote:

#### **RECORDED VOTE:**

**YEAS: MacLellan, Kelly, Demaray, Seili = 4**

**NAYS: Shewfelt, Grace, Vincent, Fergusson, Rintoul, Bezaire, Dykstra,  
Van Diepenbeek, Scott, Dowson, Oke, Collyer, Dietrich, Johnston,  
Robertson = 15**

**ABSENT: Siemon = 1**

**Motion Defeated**

Effective Municipal Council Training - Correspondence was distributed to the Councillors. Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek is interested in attending one of the Sessions. The CAO has requested a Training Session to be presented to County Council and the Senior Management Team.

**MOTION**

18-07 Moved by Councillor J. Bezaire, seconded by Councillor D. Kelly,  
that a vote of appreciation be extended to Jason Dowson, for acting as Page  
at the Session of Council today.

Carried

**BY-LAWS**

**MOTIONS**

19-07 Moved by Councillor N. Vincent, seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek,  
that leave be given to introduce the following by-law:  
5-07 To remove Ball's Bridge from the County Highway System.

Carried

20-07 Moved by Councillor M. Scott, seconded by Councillor G. Robertson,  
that By-law No. 5,2007, be given a first and second reading.

Carried

Discussion on the By-law took place. Many questions were asked regarding the proper procedure dealing with the issue of Ball's Bridge. The CAO addressed the questions. The next step is to have an agreement with the two lower tier municipalities put in place and will be presented to the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee and Council.

Moved by Councillor J. Bezaire  
Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan  
That the motion be tabled.

Motion Defeated

21-07 Moved by Councillor M. Scott, seconded by Councillor G. Robertson,  
that By-law No. 5, 2007, as read a first and second time, be passed.

Carried

22-07 Moved by Councillor N. Vincent, seconded by Councillor J. Grace,  
that By-law No. 5, 2007, be given a third reading in accordance  
with Part 7 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron,  
Section 23, Subsection 2.

Carried

Councillor B. Dowson requested a Recorded Vote on the By-law.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

**YEAS:** Van Diepenbeek, Scott, Vincent, Shewfelt, Dykstra, Fergusson,  
Johnston, Dowson, Oke, Collyer, Grace, Rintoul = 12

**NAYS:** Bezaire, Demaray, MacLellan, Kelly, Robertson, Seili,  
Dietrich = 7

**ABSENT:** Siemon = 1

Carried

23-07 Moved by Councillor D. Johnston, seconded by Councillor M. Scott,  
that By-law No. 5, 2007, as read a third time, be passed,  
signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the  
Corporation affixed thereto.

Carried

**MOTION**

24-07 Moved by Councillor J. Dietrich, seconded by Councillor M. Demaray,  
that County Council do now adjourn at 11:35 a.m. to meet on Wednesday,  
March 7, 2007 or at the call of the Warden and Clerk.

Carried

The Session closed with the singing of O Canada.

BARBARA A. LEAMEN, County Clerk

D. J. (DEB) SHEWFELT, Warden

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COUNTY CLERK