



# Huron County Council Minutes - July 2, 2008

Eighth 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.

Warden J. Bezaire welcomed the members to the Session and the Page, Regan Bezaire. Warden Bezaire introduced his daughter, a Grade 8 student at the St. Mary's School.

Minutes of the previous Sessions being June 4, 2008 and June 17, 2008 were adopted as circulated on motion of Councillor J. Dietrich and Councillor B. MacLellan.

Warden Bezaire declared a pecuniary interest in connection with the "In Camera" of the Special Committee of the Whole Report dated June 23, 2008, being Report #31.

#### **COUNCILLOR'S ISSUES**

Warden J. Bezaire announced his intention to be a candidate for Warden for 2009.

Councillor K. Oke announced his intention to be a candidate for Warden for 2009.

Councillor G. Robertson inquired about changing the Procedural By-law, Part 3 - The Election of Warden and Inaugural Session, Section 10. Inaugural Session, Subsection (6) - Election of Warden - by open recorded vote.

Moved by Councillor G. Robertson

Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly

That a report be brought to the August Committee of the Whole meeting regarding a change to the Procedural By-law regarding the voting for the Warden's election from open recorded vote to secret ballot.

Carried

Councillor J. Seili announced that on July 11, 2008 in the Huron East Council Chambers, Liberal Leader Stephane Dion will be in attendance.

Councillor B. Dykstra invited Council to the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Regional Equine & Agricultural Centre of Huron (REACH) which will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2008, Beech Street in Clinton at 3:30 p.m. An Open House of the existing facilities will follow and plans and drawings of the REACH project will be on display.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Huron County Annual Tourism Report was distributed to Council, Senior Management Team and the Media.

The Huron Bruce Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural affairs E-Bulletin July 2008 was distributed to Council.

A letter from AMO dated June 25, 2008 regarding the 2008 Voluntary Blackout Day Challenge on Thursday, August 14, 2008 from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. was distributed to Council.

A letter from Jim Bradley, Minister of Transportation, dated June 23, 2008 addressed to Warden Bezaire was distributed to Council regarding funding of \$3,680,024. is being provided either through electronic funds transfer or cheque, depending on the established funding arrangement with the province.

Notice of the Ontario West Municipal Conference was distributed to Council. The Conference will be held on Friday, November 7, 2008 at the Best Western Lamplighter

Inn and Conference Centre in London.

A copy of the Huronlea Home for the Aged Resident Handbook was distributed to Council.

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated June 11, 2008 was presented by Councillor B. Dykstra, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Scott Tousaw, Director, Planning and Development, and Dave Laurie, Acting Director of Public Works, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Clause #5(c) New Official Plan - Town of Goderich

The original motion:

"Moved by B. Siemon  
Seconded by Warden J. Bezaire  
That the Town of Goderich Official Plan be approved and that the  
the notice of decision be circulated. Carried"

Letters of concern were received from Mr. John Hazlitt and Ms. Wendy Hoernig regarding the timelines and process used for the Town of Goderich Official Plan.

Moved by Councillor D. Shewfelt  
Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan  
That the resolution be deferred to the August Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee pending receipt of additional information and legal opinion from the Town of Goderich.

Carried

Clause #16. The Royal Canadian Legion

Original Motion:

"Moved by B. Siemon  
Seconded by B. Dowson  
That the request be referred to the Acting Director of Public Works to investigate and report back to July 2, 2008 session of County Council for resolution. Carried"

D. Laurie, Acting Director of Public Works, presented Council with a further report (Appendix A).

It is recommended that the County of Huron agree to allow four (4) Highway Dedication signs to be installed within Huron County, on Kings Highway #21. Council resolution would allow the Dedication Signs to be created and installed in coordination with Ministry of Transportation (MTO) guidelines and the MTO would provide ultimate direction regarding sign wording, sign size and sign placement. The dedication proposed is "Veterans Bluewater Highway".

Moved by Councillor J. Seili

Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly  
That the report be approved.

Carried

Moved by Councillor B. Dykstra  
Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly  
That the report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated June 11, 2008 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #27.

Carried

The report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated June 10, 2008 were presented by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek, Vice Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Marlene Price, Acting Director of the Health Unit, Janice Dunbar, Community Developer, and Dave Overboe, Social Services Administrator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek  
Seconded by Councillor J. Grace  
That the report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated June 10, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #28.

Carried

**The Huron County Council photo was taken.**

Councillor J. Seili left the Chambers at 10:30 a.m.

The report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated June 12, 2008 was presented by Councillor J. Fergusson, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Beth Ross, Director of Cultural Services, and Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

2(b) Capital Expenditures - Roofing i. Huronview's Roof Repair  
The original motion carried.

Councillor B. MacLellan spoke to Council and put forth the following motion:

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan  
Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon  
That prior to any future roof repairs being done at Huronview or Huronlea that staff prepare a report on alternative roofing.

Carried

Moved by Councillor J. Fergusson  
Seconded by Councillor B. Dowson  
That the report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated June 12, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #29.

Carried

The report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated June 13, 2008 was presented by Councillor D. Kelly, Chair. Sandy McLean, Facilities Manager, 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 June 13, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #30.

Carried

The reports of the Committee of the Whole Council dated June 17, 2008 and June 23, 2008 were presented by Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer. David Carey, Treasurer, and Darcy Michaud, Director of Human Resources, spoke to the reports. The reports were dealt with clause by clause.

Warden J. Bezaire vacated the Chair due to a Pecuniary Interest in the "In Camera" Section of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting of June 23, 2008.

Moved by Councillor D. Shewfelt  
Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan  
That Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek assume the Chair.

Carried

Moved by Councillor M. Scott  
Seconded by Councillor J. Grace  
That the reports of the Committee of the Whole Council dated June 17, 2008 and June 23, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #31.

Carried

Warden J. Bezaire resumed the Chair.

#### **INQUIRIES**

Councillor B. Dowson inquired about a Committee set up to look at tourism signs with the new logos. One meeting has taken place with a sign consultant and the next meeting will be held in a couple of months. Bluewater are also looking at having signs installed.

Councillor D. Kelly has a ratepayer wanting a ditch closed in at Morris-Turnberry. Can a ditch be cleaned out and culvert put in if they are willing to pay? Dave Laurie spoke to this request and a report will be presented at the August Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee.

Moved by Councillor B. Dowson  
Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly  
That this issue be referred to the August Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee.

Carried

Councillor J. Grace questioned the Facilities Manager regarding the repair of the Court Room. Could a written report be prepared?

Moved by Councillor J. Grace  
Seconded by Councillor B. Dowson  
That the Facilities Manager look into the Third Floor Court Room panelling and report back to the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee.

Carried

Councillor J. Grace inquired about changing the August meeting of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee.

Moved by Councillor J. Grace  
Seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek  
That the August Health, Ambulance and Social Services meeting be changed from August 5, 2008 to August 18, 2008 at the Health Unit Auditorium at 9:00 a.m.

Carried

Councillor N. Rintoul spoke to Council regarding emerald ash borer and why the intents to cut submissions are down. This issue will be dealt with at the next Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee.

Councillor J. Grace left the Chambers at 12:18 p.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Assessment Office Building Renovation**

Larry Adams, CAO, and Sandy McLean, Facilities Manager, presented a report (Appendix B).

It is recommended that the County of Huron accept the stipulated base bid submitted by JDK Project Management for a total price of \$468,000. + GST for the renovation of the upper floor area of the Goderich Assessment Office Building.

Discussion took place.

Moved by Councillor K. Oke  
Seconded by Councillor G. Robertson  
That the recommendation be approved.

Councillor B. Dykstra requested a Recorded Vote.

Moved by Councillor J. Fergusson  
Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly  
That the motion be tabled until the August Committee of the Whole.  
Motion Defeated

RECORDED VOTE as requested:

YEAS: Dowson, Johnston, MacLellan, Van Diepenbeek,  
Kelly, Scott, Vincent, Robertson, Oke, Siemon,  
Shewfelt, Rintoul = 12

NAYS: Dietrich, Bezaire, Dyksta, Demaray, Fergusson,  
Collyer = 6

ABSENT: Grace, Seili = 2

Carried

**"IN CAMERA"**

Moved by Councillor B. Dowson  
Seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich  
That Council proceed "In Camera" at 12:30 p.m. to discuss a personal/legal matter and that Larry C. Adams and D. Michaud remain in attendance.  
Carried

Moved by Councillor M. Scott  
Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon  
That Council rise from "In Camera" at 1:00 p.m.  
Carried

**MOTIONS**

53-08 Moved by Councillor G. Robertson, seconded by Councillor D. Kelly,  
that a vote of appreciation be extended to Regan Bezaire, for acting as  
Page at the Session of Council today.

Carried

54-08 Moved by Councillor J. Dietrich, seconded by Councillor K. Oke,  
that County Council do now adjourn at 1:05 p.m. to meet on Wednesday,  
September 3, 2008 or at the call of the Warden and Clerk.

Carried

The Session closed with the singing of O Canada.

BARBARA A. LEAMEN, County Clerk

JOHN BEZAIRE, Warden

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COUNTY CLERK