



Huron County Council Minutes - May 7, 2008

Special Session

GODERICH, ONTARIO



Goderich, Ontario
May 7, 2008

A Special Session of Huron County Council was held in the Council Chambers at 1:00 p.m. on the above date with all members present except Councillor K. Oke.

At the Committee of the Whole meeting of April 22, 2008, the Warden announced that the May 5, 2008 Board of Health meeting would be replaced by a joint meeting of the Board of Health and County Council at a Special Session on May 7th.

The Huron County Board of Health were also invited to attend this Session. Rosemary Rognvaldson, Provincial Representative, and staff were in attendance.

Councillor B. MacLellan asked the question - why are the Health Unit staff present at this Session of Council? Warden Bezaire and the Acting Director of the Health Unit, Marlene Price, answered that the participants that were interviewed by Mr. Thomas were invited to attend. The Warden also commented that this was a public process.

Organizational Review - Health Unit and County Administration

The following motion was adopted at the April 15, 2008 Committee of the Whole meeting:

**"Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by B. Siemon
That Hugh Thomas be permitted to interview the County's
Senior Management Team and Legal Counsel and report back
to both the Board of Health and County Council.**

Councillor D. Shewfelt requested a Recorded Vote.

RECORDED VOTE

YEAS: Scott, MacLellan, Siemon, Collyer, Shewfelt,
Dykstra, Grace, Johnston, Rintoul, Vincent,
Van Diepenbeek = 11

NAYS: Oke, Fergusson, Seili, Demaray, Bezaire,
Kelly, Dowson, Robertson, Dietrich = 9

CARRIED"

The following motions were adopted at the Special Board of Health meeting on March 31, 2008:

**"Moved by B. MacLellan
Seconded by D. Johnston
That the County's solicitor, Mr. Greg Stewart, be requested to research
provincial legislation in comparison to County policy and the hybrid model
of our Health Unit and report back to the Board of Health.**

CARRIED

**Moved by D. Johnston
Seconded by M. Scott
That the County's solicitor, Mr. Greg Stewart, be requested to investigate
and report back to the Board of Health on the roles and responsibilities
of the Medical Officer of Health as it relates to legislation, County
policy, and the hybrid model of our Health Unit.**

CARRIED"

Mr. Greg Stewart, County Solicitor, presented a Report on the Roles and Responsibilities of the Board of Health and the County in a Shared Leadership Model.

Mr. Stewart went through his report in detail and provided history to the changes at the Health Unit from a traditional model to the current hybrid model. A question and answer period followed.

**Moved by Councillor D. Johnston
Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan
That the Solicitor's Report be received and forwarded to a Board of Health meeting.**

Carried

Hugh Thomas from Hugh Thomas Consulting Ltd. presented a Report on the Organizational Relationships between the Board of Health and Huron County Administration.

Mr. Thomas walked the committee through the report providing insight as necessary. Once complete, there was a question and answer period of Mr. Thomas.

**Moved by Councillor J. Grace
Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon
That Mr. Thomas's Report be received and forwarded to a Board of Health meeting.**

Carried

MOTION

51-08 Moved by Councillor J. Grace, seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich, that County Council do now adjourn at 2:30 p.m. to meet on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 or at the call of the Warden and Clerk.

Carried

BARBARA A. LEAMEN, County Clerk

JOHN BEZAIRE, Warden

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WARDEN

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COUNTY CLERK