



Huron County Council

Minutes - January 31, 2011

Budget Meeting

GODERICH, ONTARIO



2011 BUDGET MEETING HURON COUNTY COUNCIL

Goderich, Ontario
January 31st, 2011.

Huron County Council met in the Council Chambers on Monday January 31st, 2011. Warden Neil Vincent called the 2011 Budget meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

All members of Council were present except for Councillors Dietrich, Frayne and Van Diepenbeek. Councillor Dowson arrived at 9:09 a.m. At 2:40 p.m. Councillors Dowson, Hessel and Klopp left the meeting.

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Conflict of Interest stated by any member of County Council.

C.A.O. Adams reviewed the Agenda for the day's 2011 Budget meeting

Public Works/Fleet– presentation by Director of Public Works Dave Laurie:

Councillor Dowson requested there be signage at the bridge on County Road 13 outside of Clinton. The request was made as the bridge is a narrow space for two cars to meet and during the winter it is so narrow due to the snow build up only one vehicle can manage to go through the bridge at one time. Director Laurie agreed there should be signage.

Councillor MacLellan requested a summary if the status quo was to be maintained compared to showing an increase of 4% to 5% and the increase in services this would include. Director Laurie will have this prepared for the second Budget meeting on February 14th.

Library – presentation by County Librarian Beth Ross:

Museum/Gaol – presentation by Director of Cultural Services Beth Ross:

Homes for the Aged – presentation by Homes Administrator Barb Springall:

Barb Springall – Homes Administrator presented the proposed Budget for Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Ages and the Heartland and Highland Apartments.

Councillor Klopp requested a Report for the extra staff; being the Ward Clerk that Home Administrator Springall is recommending.

Councillor MacLellan questioned the difference in the ceiling and portable lifts. He asked why not just have portable lifts? Homes Administrator Springall will follow up with the staff and provide an answer with the pros and cons of both the ceiling lifts and the portable lifts.

Director of Social Services David Overboe and Housing Manager Barbara Hall provided a summary of the tendering process for the Huron East Apartment project.

MOTION: 23-11

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor P. Klopp:

THAT:

The 2011 Budget meeting go into a "Closed to the Public Session" at 11:31 a.m. under *Section 239(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended*; to discuss an item which relates to:

- litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local Board;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The following staff members remain in attendance: CAO Larry C. Adams; Director of Social Services Dave Overboe, Housing Manager Barbara Hall, Treasurer David Carey and Clerk Barb Wilson.

CARRIED

MOTION:24-11

Moved by: Councillor B. Siemon and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

The 2011 Budget meeting rise from "Closed to the Public Session" at 12:15 p.m.; with no Report and Staff are authorized to proceed in closed to the public session.

CARRIED

The members of Council and staff had a lunch break at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the Budget meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Social Services and Physical Services – presentation by Director of Social Services Dave Overboe:

Information Technology – presentation by Information Technology (IT) Kim Reid:

Emergency Services – presentation by Chief Emergency Services David Lew:

Treasury – presentation by Deputy-Treasurer Nancy Rennick:
Councillor MacLellan requested that a summary be provided to indicate the figures that are necessary to maintain status quo each year.

Court Services/Provincial Offences – presentation by Michael Blumhagen:

CAO/Clerk – presentation by CAO Larry Adams:

County Council – presentation by Treasurer David Carey:
Corporate Expense – presentation by Treasurer David Carey:

Planning & Development – Scott Tousaw was unavailable to attend this meeting:

In Director Tousaw's absence he provided a Report to Council entitled Proposed Work Plan and Budget 2011. CAO Adams and Treasurer Carey were available to answer questions.

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The Human Resources and Accessibility Committee Budgets; as well as the consolidated 2011 Budget will be reviewed at the half day meeting on Monday February 14th from 9:00 a.m. until noon in the Court House Council Chambers

MOTION: 25-11

Moved by: Councillor J. Grace and Seconded by: Councillor B. Siemon:

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 2:47 p.m.

CARRIED

Warden Neil Vincent

County Clerk Barbara L. Wilson