



**County  
of Huron**

## **Cultural Services and Seniors Committee**



**Minutes - November 9, 2006**

*GODERICH, ONTARIO*

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November 9, 2006

The CULTURAL SERVICES AND SENIORS COMMITTEE met in the Court House at 9:00 a.m. with all members present except Councillor B. Dowson, Councillor B. MacLellan, and Board Member N. Fairles.

## **LIBRARY BOARD**

### **1. Minutes**

**Moved by P. Elgie**

**Seconded by R. Anderson**

**That the minutes of the Library Board portion of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee meeting of October 12, 2006 be adopted as circulated.**

**CARRIED**

### **Councillor / Board Member Issues**

Board Member C. McDonnell requested an update on the brochure. The County Librarian informed the committee that staff are working on the brochure. Some staff have taken marketing courses and the department will be utilizing their expertise before launching it.

Councillor R. Rognvaldson expressed her disappointment in an article in the Wingham Advance Times regarding a political candidate questioning the need for the Howick Library. This committee and other stake holders have worked diligently to keep this branch open. Councillor R. Rognvaldson stated that the statistics and increase in circulations prove that the branch is needed.

### **2. Library**

#### **a) Reports for Information/Updating Purposes**

Beth Ross, County Librarian, and Sharon Cox, Deputy County Librarian, presented the attached report (Appendix A). September Statistics and Outstanding Book and Processing Expenditures Report are also attached.

#### **b) Book Expenditure Report**

Sharon Cox, Deputy County Librarian presented the Book Expenditure and Outstanding Book Order Report for the period ending October 31, 2006 which showed total purchases to date of \$356,089, with outstanding orders totalling \$120,602 leaving the approximate amount in the uncommitted book budget of \$93,347.

#### **c) Report of the Southern Ontario Library Services Trustee Council Representative**

Board Member P. Elgie thanked the committee for the privilege of representing the Huron County Library Board as a trustee and distributed the attached report regarding SOL's 2005/2006 contributions.

**Moved by C. McDonnell**

**Seconded by D. Kelly**

**That the foregoing reports be received.**

**CARRIED**

### 3. Library Accounts and Financial Statement

Accounts for October 2006 totalling \$53,008.26 were reviewed.

The financial statement for the period ending September 30, 2006 was reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Library	\$260,441	\$316,576	\$1,723,934	\$1,665,535	\$1,463,493	\$1,348,959

**Moved by R. Anderson**

**Seconded by Warden R. Morley**

**That the accounts and financial statement be received.**

**CARRIED**

### 4. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Library Board portion of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at the Huron County Museum in Goderich.

### 5. Adjournment

**Moved by C. McDonnell**

**Seconded by D. Layton**

**That the Library Board portion of the meeting adjourn at 9:30 a.m. and be declared a half day meeting.**

**CARRIED**

### MUSEUM AND SENIORS

### 6. Minutes

**Moved by D. Kelly**

**Seconded by Warden R. Morley**

**That the minutes of the Museum and Seniors portion of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee meeting of October 12, 2006 be adopted as circulated.**

**CARRIED**

### 7. Report of the Museum Curator

Pat Hamilton, Curator, presented the attached report (Appendix B) for the information of committee and Council. October statistics were distributed at the meeting and are attached.

**Moved by D. Layton**

**Seconded by Warden R. Morley**

**That the report be received.**

**CARRIED**

### 8. Dunlop Tomb

The attached correspondence was received October 16, 2006 from Mr. Ed Cunningham. Mr. Cunningham is requesting that the date on the tombstone at the Dunlop Tomb be changed.

The Director of Cultural Services distributed the attached report dated November 9, 2006 for the committee's review. The following two options were presented: 1) Rehabilitate the Tomb for the Future and 2) Restore the Gravestone.

It is recommended that the 1960 gravestone be undisturbed and that interpretive panels be installed near the Tomb indicating the original wording on the gravestone along with more heritage information about the site.

It is further recommended that a plan and budget be developed to enhance the site with additional interpretive panels, some tree trimming for improved view over the river valley, and better footing on the pathway approaching the Tomb from the west.

After a lengthy review and discussion there was a consensus to move forward with option one.

**Moved by Warden R. Morley**  
**Seconded by D. Layton**  
**That the recommendations be approved.**

**CARRIED**

### 9. Museum\Gaol Accounts and Financial Statements

Accounts for October 2006 totalling \$8,166.54 were reviewed.

Financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2006 were reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Museum/Gaol	\$98,681	\$102,107	\$589,827	\$621,718	\$491,146	\$519,611

**Moved by D. Kelly**  
**Seconded by D. Layton**  
**That the accounts and financial statements be received.**

**CARRIED**

### 10. Report from the Homes for the Aged

Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, presented the attached report (Appendix C), for the information of committee and Council.

**Moved by Warden R. Morley**  
**Seconded by D. Layton**  
**That the report be received.**

**CARRIED**

### **11. Long Term Care Homes Act (Bill 140)**

Barb Springall, Homes Administrator reviewed the Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes and Services for Seniors (OANHSS) Summary Brief regarding Bill 140 with the committee and distributed an Action Update dated October 2006 from OANHSS.

Also attached is a letter from the representatives of the Huron Perth Non-Profit Homes and Services for Seniors that was sent to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health & Long Term Care regarding expressing their concerns with Bill 140.

**Moved by D. Kelly**

**Seconded by D. Layton**

**That the OANHSS letter dated November 1, 2006 to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health & Long Term Care be supported with emphasis on additional funding support from the Ministry.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved by D. Kelly**

**Seconded by Warden R. Morley**

**That October 2006 Summary Brief on Bill 140 and Action Update from OANHSS be received for the information of the committee.**

**CARRIED**

### **12. Homes Reserve Request, 2006 - Dishwashers**

Connie Townsend, Manager of Food and Environmental Services, presented the attached report (Appendix D). This is a planned purchase approved in the 2006 capital expenditures report.

It is recommended that a Hobart commercial dishwasher be purchased from Russell Food Equipment Ltd, at the quoted price of \$10,974 plus GST of \$768.18 for a total of \$11,742.18 and that the funds be utilized from the Home's Reserve for Huronview.

It is further recommended that a Hobart commercial dishwasher be purchased from Russell Food Equipment Ltd, at the quoted price of \$10,974 plus GST of \$768.18 for a total of \$11,742.18 and that the funds be utilized from the Home's Reserve for Huronlea.

**Moved by D. Layton**

**Seconded by Warden R. Morley**

**That the recommendations be approved.**

**CARRIED**

### **13. Proposed Rate Increases for 2007**

Nancy Kalbfleisch, Operations Manager, presented the attached report (Appendix E).

It is recommended that the rental rates at Highland and Heartland Apartments increase effective January 1, 2007 by 2.6% as allowable under the provincial rent control guidelines.

**Moved by Warden R. Morley**  
**Seconded by D. Kelly**  
**That the recommendations be approved.**

**CARRIED**

It is recommended that new optional fees for both Special Housekeeping and Special Maintenance at a rate of \$26/hour (with a minimum charge each of 30 minutes) be approved.

**Moved by D. Kelly**  
**Seconded by D. Layton**  
**That the recommendations be approved.**

**CARRIED**

#### **14. 2006 Budget Surplus to Homes Reserve Fund**

In previous years, Council has agreed that any surplus in the Homes' financial position at year end up to the maximum of the Structural Compliance Premium (\$201,480) will be transferred to the Homes Reserve Fund.

Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, is recommending that should there be a surplus at the 2006 year end, that the surplus will be transferred to the Homes Reserve Fund, up to the maximum amount of the Structural Compliance Premium for 2006.

**Moved by D. Kelly**  
**Seconded by D. Layton**  
**That the recommendation be approved.**

**CARRIED**

#### **15. Correspondence Attached – For Information**

- a) Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, memorandum from Vahe Kehyayan, Director, Compliance Inspection and Enforcement Unit and Tim Burns, Director, Long Term Care Homes Branch dated October 15, 2006 re: Revised Dietary Services Criteria effective January 15, 2007.
- b) County of Huron, Health Unit, Dr. Beth Henning and Laura Farrell, dated October 18, 2006 regarding delay of 2006-2007 Influenza Vaccine. During the week of October 23, long-term care homes will receive 100 percent of the vaccine they require.
- c) Huronview and Huronlea correspondence from the Homes Administrator regarding staff achievements and list of the Homes recent successes.
- d) AMO, Member Communication, Alert No. 06/054 re: Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Tables New Long-Term Care Legislation.

- e) The R.E.A.C.H. Committee (Responding to Elder Abuse in the County of Huron), Co-Chairs JoAnn Todd and Tanya Verburg, received October 16, 2006. The guide, "Reach for Safety .....A Safety Guide for Older and Vulnerable Persons" is available in the Clerks office upon request.

**FOR INFORMATION**

**16. Homes for the Aged Accounts and Financial Statements**

Accounts for October 2006 totalling \$116,262.69 were reviewed.

Financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2006 were reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Homes for the Aged	\$10,220,629	\$10,335,277	\$10,856,751	\$11,039,903	\$636,122	\$704,626

**Moved by D. Layton**

**Seconded by D. Kelly**

**That the accounts and financial statements be received.**

**CARRIED**

**17. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at the Huron County Museum in Goderich.

**18. Adjournment**

**Moved by Warden R. Morley**

**Seconded by D. Layton**

**That the meeting adjourn at 11:45 a.m. and be declared a full day meeting for those Councillors in attendance for more than two and half hours.**

**CARRIED**

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Chair