

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DAY 2 – MEETING MINUTES**

Goderich, Ontario
December 14, 2016

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 14th day of December 2016.

1. Call To Order:

All members of Council were present. Warden Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

2. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 2 for 2017:

Warden Ginn requested a Motion to nominate a Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 2 for 2017.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Van Diepenbeek and Seconded By: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

Councillor Frayne be nominated as the Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 2 for 2017.

CARRIED

Warden Ginn turned the Committee of the Whole Day 2 meeting over to the newly elected Chair.

Chair Frayne requested a Motion to nominate a Vice-Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 2 for 2017.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

Councillor Van Diepenbeek be nominated as the Vice-Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 2 for 2017.

CARRIED

3. Approval Of Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Warden Ginn

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 Agenda for December 14, 2016 be accepted and all reports included in the Agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest stated.

5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations: None.

6. Councillor's Issues:

Member MacLellan updated members on the AMO Health Taskforce that he was appointed to.

Member Jewitt requested consideration of removing the “Accounts” from the consent agenda section of the agenda at a future meeting.

Member Vincent reviewed the energy audit session he attended at the Ontario West Conference. There is a tremendous burden to lower tier municipalities.

7. Consent Agenda – (Items 7.1 through 7.7):

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may require discussion but no action on the part of Council. Consent Agenda items are received in one motion. Council members may request that one or more item be removed for further action.

7.1 Social and Property Services Update: (prepared by Barb Springall, Michele Gaynor and Barbara Hall)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.2 Homes for the Aged Information Report: (prepared by Barb Springall)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.3 Staff Report on Risk Management for Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Aged: (prepared by Jolanta Linde-Martinsons and Connie Townsend)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.4 Public Works Update: (prepared by Steve Lund)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.5 Emergency Services Update: (prepared by Jeff Horseman)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.6 Huron County Economic Development Board Minutes – October 31, 2016: (prepared by Natasha Fritzley)

ACTION: Received for information.

7.7 Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including November 24, 2016 were reviewed.

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT
Buildings	67,655.09
Social Housing	512,354.45
Homes for the Aged	197,872.79
Public Works	2,218,907.10
Emergency Services	65,359.92

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Financial statements for the period ending October 31, 2016 will be reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Buildings	1,404,637	1,458,690	1,857,629	1,929,842	452,992	471,152
Social Housing	2,649,678	2,830,700	4,523,535	4,775,387	1,873,857	1,944,687
Social Services	11,819,615	11,661,360	15,359,449	14,947,597	3,539,834	3,286,237
Homes	11,556,862	11,333,970	13,755,140	14,317,578	2,198,278	2,983,608
Public Works	4,075,859	4,320,940	13,624,438	13,777,116	9,548,579	9,456,176
ES	4,914,888	4,707,750	9,707,097	9,871,037	4,792,209	5,163,287

ACTION:
THAT:

The accounts up to and including November 24, 2016 and the financial statements as of October 31, 2016 be received.

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.7 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

8. Social Services:

8.1 Emergency Sheltering – Huron Out of the Cold Program: (presented by Barbara Hall)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Manager of Housing and Property Services Barbara Hall, dated December 1, 2016 titled Emergency Sheltering – Huron Out of the Cold Program, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron provides approval for the Warden and Clerk to sign the Service Agreement for the Huron Out of the Cold program.

CARRIED

8.2 Bad Debt Write-Off Report – January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016: (presented by Barbara Hall)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Manager of Housing and Property Services Barbara Hall, dated November 30, 2016 titled Bad Debt Write-Off Report – January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The bad debts included in the report, incurred by former tenants of the Huron County Housing Corporation be written off for the period of January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the new reporting period of July 1 to June 30 each year.

CARRIED

9. Homes for the Aged: None.

10. Emergency Services:

10.1 Mercedes Sprinter Ambulance: (presented by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Chief, Emergency Services Jeff Horseman, dated December 2, 2016 titled Mercedes Sprinter Ambulance, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron endorses the recommendation to discontinue purchasing Mercedes Sprinter Ambulances in light of the results from the current trial.

CARRIED

10.2 Huron County Shared Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) Proposal: (presented by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated December 2, 2016 titled Huron County Shared Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) Proposal, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County of Huron endorses the proposal to implement a County shared CEMC program with participating Huron County local municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County of Huron approves staff recommendation to increase the current part time CEMC to a full time CEMC for 2017;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County of Huron funds 100% of the County Emergency Management budget until June 30, 2017 at which time the participating Huron County municipalities will cost share their portion of the Emergency Management budget from July 1, 2017 forward.

CARRIED

10.3 Power Stretcher and Power Load System: (presented by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services dated December 2, 2016 titled Power Stretcher and Power Load System, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron endorses the recommendation to continue to purchase the Stryker Power Stretcher and Power Load System on each Ambulance purchase starting in 2017.

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10.4 Community Paramedicine Strategy Implementation: (presented by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman Chief, Emergency Services dated December 2, 2016 titled Community Paramedicine Strategy Implementation, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County Huron approves the recommendation by Jeff Horseman, Acting Chief, Emergency Services, to establish a 0.5 FTE Community Paramedicine Coordinator position using existing resources through a return to work program or an employee requiring modified duties to be implemented in January 2017.

CARRIED

11. Public Works Department: None.

12. Administration, Policies & Other Issues:

12.1 2017 Borrowing By-law: (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Warden Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Treasurer Michael Blumhagen, dated December 1, 2016 titled 2017 Borrowing By-Law, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A By-law be prepared to authorize the County of Huron to borrow up to the amount of \$4,000,000 to meet current expenditures for the Municipality in 2017.

CARRIED

12.2 2017 Draft Budget Commentary: (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Treasurer Michael Blumhagen, dated December 14, 2016 titled 2017 Draft Budget Commentary, as amended for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A special meeting be held on January 19, 2017 for 2017 Budget Consideration.

CARRIED

12.3 Update on Rural Economic Development (RED) Program: (presented by Ron Gaudet)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Director of Economic Development Ron Gaudet, dated December 14, 2016 titled Update on Rural Economic Development (RED) Program, as presented for information.

CARRIED

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12.4 2017 International Plowing Match Anticipated Expenditures: (presented by
Natasha Fritzley)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Van Diepenbeek

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Economic Development Manager Natasha Fritzley, dated December 14, 2016 titled 2017 International Plowing Match Anticipated Expenditures, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron considers the requests from the International Plowing Match Executive and County staff that are listed in the report, as a part of the 2017 Budget process.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:29 a.m. and resumed at 10:39 a.m.

12.5 Government Relations Strategy: Outlining our Approach: (presented by Scott
Currie)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Cole and Seconded By: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Communications/Grants Coordinator Scott Currie, dated December 14, 2016 titled Government Relations Strategy: Outlining our Approach;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron adopts the strategy as our organization's approach to building and maintaining positive relationships with senior governments.

CARRIED

12.6 Government Relations Strategy: Leveraging the 2017 IPM to improve the rural
voice of Huron County: (presented by Scott Currie)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Communications/Grants Coordinator Scott Currie, dated December 14, 2016 titled Government Relations Strategy: Leveraging the 2017 IPM to improve the rural voice of Huron County;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron adopts this strategy to build stronger relationships with the province leading up to the 2017 IPM and thereafter.

CARRIED

12.7 G2G Trail Funding: (presented by Natasha Fritzley)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Morrison and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Economic Development Manager Natasha Fritzley, dated December 8, 2016 titled G2G Trail Funding, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

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That Council of the County of Huron considers re-allocating the \$50,000 G2G commitment that was previously set-aside for the Ontario Municipal Cycling Infrastructure Program to the Regional Tourism Organization 4 Inc., a division of the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport for trail infrastructure development.

CARRIED

12.8 Regional Tourism Organization 4 (RTO4) Inc. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): (presented by Natasha Fritzley)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Economic Development Manager Natasha Fritzley, dated December 8, 2016 titled Regional Tourism Organization 4 Inc. Memorandum of Understanding, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and the CAO to execute the MOU with RTO4 to work together on a series of joint tourism initiatives.

CARRIED

12.9 CAO Meeting on Shared Services: (presented by Brenda Orchard)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO Brenda Orchard, dated December 14, 2016 titled CAO Meeting on Shared Services, as presented for information.

CARRIED

13. Correspondence:

13.1 Tay Valley Township resolution re: Hydro One's Strategy Regarding Hydro Costs.

13.2 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) requesting a Community Leader to be part of the Canada 150 Community Leaders Network.

13.3 Dr. Maarten Bokhout, MD re: Resignation from position as Medical Director for Huronlea Home for the Aged.

13.4 Municipality of West Nipissing re: Support Resolution to Amend the Funding Formula for Municipal Homes.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron submits Warden Jim Ginn as a representative to the Canada 150 Community Leaders Network.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports a motion from Tay Valley Township as follows:

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WHEREAS, there is inequity between the cost of hydro for rural residents as compared to urban residents due to higher distribution charges;
AND WHEREAS, this practice targets and negatively affects rural residents, especially those who are already unable to pay for the high cost of hydro;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the County of Huron request the Province of Ontario to re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access to delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery to rural residents;
AND THAT, this resolution be circulated to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron sends a letter of thanks to Dr. Maarten Bokhout for his service to Huronlea Home for the Aged.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 accepts correspondence not specifically dealt with, for information.

CARRIED

14. Closed to the Public Session: None.

15. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of Committee of the Whole Day 2 will be in Goderich on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

16. Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair Dave Frayne

Clerk Susan Cronin