



**Day One:**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
Highways, Facilities, Planning & Corporate  
Minutes - April 9, 2014

GODERICH, ONTARIO



# **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DAY 1 – MEETING MINUTES**

Goderich, Ontario  
April 9, 2014

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.

## **1. Call to Order:**

All members of Council were present. Chair Klopp called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## **2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

4.2 James Scongack, Vice President, Corporate Affairs for Bruce Power presented on his arrival.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

## **3. Approval of the Agenda:**

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Robertson and Seconded By: Councillor Rintoul

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 Agenda for April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 be accepted and all reports included in the Agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

## **4. Delegations:**

4.1 Lavis Contracting Company Limited

Trevor Moore and Bentley Ehgoetz presented **ARRA's (Asphalt Recycling and Reclaiming Association)** 2014 Charles R. Valentine Award for Excellence in Cold In-Place Recycling to Dave Laurie and Mike Alcock.

4.3 Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre

Mary Ellen Zielman and Anne Donohoe were in attendance to request funding to carry on the programs of feeding the hungry in Huron County. Included in the report from staff to Council will be funding sources.

Warden Steffler announced that proceeds of the Warden's Golf Tournament in August 2014 will be towards the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre.

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MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Dowson and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 adhere to the grant policy and direct staff to prepare a report for the presentation to Council with regards to the request for financial support by the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre.

CARRIED

4.2 Bruce Power

James Scongack, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, of Bruce Power was in attendance and provided Council with an update. Bruce Power is a significant energy provider in the province and has a large impact on the economy of Huron County.

4.4 Goderich BIA (Business Improvement Area) and Town of Goderich Parks Department

Michele Hansen, Goderich Town Councillor and Parks Liaison was in attendance and made a presentation to request permission to project holiday and winter scenes on the south facing façade of Goderich Court House.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Grace

THAT:

Committee of the Whole Day 1 approve the request by Michele Hansen, Goderich Town Councillor and Parks Liaison, to project holiday and winter scenes on the south facing façade of Goderich Court House.

CARRIED

**5. Councillor's Issues:**

Councillor Dowson congratulated Councillor Klopp on becoming a grandfather.

**6. Report of the Agricultural & Rural Economic Development Advisor OMAF/MRA:**

Daryl Ball, Agricultural & Rural Economic Development Advisor, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food was in attendance. He updated Council on the PED outbreak and reviewed the Huron Farm and Rural Guide that was distributed to each member of Council.

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Council recessed at 10:20 a.m. and resumed at 10:33 a.m.

**7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.8:**

Planning and Development

7.1 Delegated Consents under the Planning Act: (prepared by Senga Smith)

The authority to grant undisputed consents is delegated to the Director of Planning and Development under By-law No. 5-2009. The report lists the applications which received provisional consent approval since the last report. County Council is notified for information and appeal purposes only.

ACTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Senga Smith, Land Division Secretary, that no objections be lodged further to the Delegated Consents submitted with the Report of March 25, 2014, be approved.

7.2 Zoning By-laws: (prepared by Scott Tousaw)

Zoning By-laws and amendments are circulated to the County from local municipalities. These by-laws are reviewed for conformity with the County Official Plan and with the local Official Plan. The By-laws are listed in the report.

ACTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director that no objections be lodged to the Zoning By-laws.

7.3 Forest Conservation: (prepared by Dave Pullen)

The Notices of Intent under the Forest Conservation By-law were listed in the report.

ACTION: Receive for information.

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7.4 Local Immigration Partnership Program (“Make Huron Home”) Renewal Agreement  
 (prepared by Rebecca Rathwell)

The agreement with Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the Immigration Partnership project is being renewed for 2014-16. This program provides 100% funding for the Project Manager and the Partnership Council.

MOTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Rebecca Rathwell, Project Manager, to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the 2014-16 Local Immigration Partnership program be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be passed authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign the agreement.

7.5 Regional Municipality of Niagara Resolution re: Long Term Energy Plan

ACTION: Receive for information.

7.6 Milkweed – Proposed Changes to the Noxious Weed Act Schedule: (prepared by Mike Alcock)

ACTION: Receive for information.

7.7 Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including March 20, 2014 were reviewed.

DEPARTMENT PROGRAM	ACCOUNT
Highways	384,487.93
Fleet	131,725.33
Planning	69,110.72

Financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2014 were reviewed.

DEPARTMENT PROGRAM	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Highways	16,191	349,026	3,177,519	2,234,864	3,161,328	1,885,838
Fleet	622,194	397,950	446,111	369,670	(176,083)	(28,280)
Planning	76,952	151,140	448,063	642,986	371,111	491,846

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ACTION:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including March 20, 2014 and the financial statements as of February 28, 2014 be received.

7.8 Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) Communications – re: Interest Arbitration Update

ACTION: Receive for information.

Consent Agenda

An update report will be prepared regarding the Local Immigration Partnership Program **“Make Huron Home”**.

There was discussion regarding item 7.6 - Milkweed – Proposed Changes to the Noxious Weed Act Schedule: (prepared by Mike Alcock)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The report by Mike Alcock entitled Milkweed - Proposed Changes to the Noxious Weed Act Schedule be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

Items 7.1–7.5 and 7.7-7.8 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

**8. Planning and Development:**

8.1 Planning and Development Consents under the Planning Act

The authority to grant or refuse to grant consents is delegated to the Committee of the Whole under By-law 5-2009. Decisions become effective upon a carried motion of the Committee of the Whole. County Council is notified for information and appeal purposes only.

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There were no consents requiring review by the Committee.

8.2 Delegation By-law for Undisputed Consents (presented by Scott Tousaw)

By-law 5, 2009 delegated approval authority for undisputed consents to the Director of Planning, and in the **Director's absence to the Senior Planner. With the new Manager of Planning position, it is appropriate to delegate the approval authority to the Manager, and to the Director and Senior Planner in the Manager's absence.**

8.3 Delegation By-law for Undisputed Local Official Plan Amendments (presented by Scott Tousaw)

By-law 22, 2008 delegated approval authority for undisputed local official plan **amendments to the Director of Planning, and in the Director's absence to the Senior Planner.** With the new Manager of Planning position, it is appropriate to delegate the approval authority to the Manager, and to the Director and Senior Planner in the **Manager's absence. The updated by-law** also clarifies that local 5 Year Review Official Plan Amendments are not delegated to staff.

8.4 Delegation By-law for Determining Completeness of Applications for Consents, Plans of Subdivision/Condominium, and Amendments to the County Official Plan (presented by Scott Tousaw)

By-law 4, 2009 delegated authority for determining completeness of applications for consents and plans of subdivision/condominium to the Land Division Secretary, and for determining completeness of applications for amendments to the County Official Plan to the Director. With the new Manager of Planning position, it is appropriate to add to the authority for completeness.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director, to update the delegation by-law for determining completeness of applications to reflect the Manager of Planning position be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director, to update the delegation by-law for undisputed consents to reflect the Manager of Planning position be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

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The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director, to update the delegation by-law for undisputed local official plan amendments to reflect the Manager of Planning position be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The updated by-laws be passed.

CARRIED

8.5 Updated Provincial Policy Statement, 2014 (presented by Sandra Weber and Claire Dodds)

In 2010, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing formally began the five year review of the 2005 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS). The Ministry recently released the updated 2014 PPS (at the ROMA/OGRA conference) and all decisions affecting planning matters shall be consistent with the new PPS effective April 30, 2014. The County provided comments to the Ministry on suggested changes during the review process. The report **outlines how the revised PPS implements several but not all of the County's suggestions.** Certain changes to the County Official Plan would be appropriate to reflect **the updated PPS. Staff will prepare an amendment for Council's review.**

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The recommendation of Sandra Weber, Manager of Planning, and Claire Dodds, Senior Planner, that staff prepare an amendment to the County Official Plan to implement relevant policy changes in the 2014 PPS and that a draft of the amendment be brought back for review by Council prior to formal circulation; and that this report be sent to the local Municipalities, be approved.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

Correspondence be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in appreciation for respecting and acting on the interests of rural communities in Ontario through the process the Ministry followed in revising the Provincial Policy Statement and consideration of recommended amendments by Huron County that were incorporated into the approved document.

CARRIED

8.6 Rural Economic Development (RED) Program Funding – Huron County Agricultural Processing Business Accelerator Project (presented by Mike Pullen)



The “Agricultural Accelerator” Project has been approved to receive funding in the amount of \$17,250 under the RED Program. This funding will support the planning phase of the project, including partnership development, feasibility assessment, and commercialization opportunities.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Grace and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The recommendation of Mike Pullen, Senior Economic Development Officer, to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Rural Affairs for the Rural Economic Development (RED) Program, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be passed authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign the agreement.

CARRIED

## **9. Public Works Department:**

9.1 Wingham Culvert Liner Project – 4-33.4 Contract No. BR 1107: (presented by Dave Laurie)

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Steffler and Seconded By: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The recommendation of Dave Laurie, Director of Public Works, that the County accept the tender submitted by VanDriel Excavating Inc. for the above noted Culvert Liner Project (Contract BR 1107), for the tendered price of \$228,857.15 (including HST), based on estimated quantities; be approved. The tendered price does not include; Engineering & Site Supervision, Contingency or County Administration.

CARRIED

9.2 Culvert # 83-7.3 Repair (Project BR 1108)  
Culvert # 83-11.4 Repair (Project BR 1109)  
Culvert # 83-17.1 Repair (Project BR 1110)  
(presented by Dave Laurie)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Robertson

THAT:

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The recommendation of Dave Laurie, Director of Public Works, that the County accept the tender submitted by Theo Vandenberg Construction for the above noted culvert projects (# 83-7.3, # 83-11.4 and # 83-17.1), for the tendered price of \$150,871.95 (including HST), based on estimated quantities; be approved. The tendered price does not include; Engineering & Site Supervision, Contingency or County Administration.

CARRIED

9.3 Front End Loader – Tender Results: (presented by Walter Johnston)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The recommendation of Walter Johnston, Fleet Manager, that the quotation submitted by Nortrax Canada Inc. in the amount of \$196,773.68 (includes HST) be accepted for one new John Deere 544K front end loader for use by Public Works at the Wingham yard during the winter; and bridge and culvert construction projects throughout the County in the summer, be approved.

CARRIED

9.4 Parkades – in Parking Spaces, on Queen Street (County Road 4), Blyth:  
(presented by Mike Alcock)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded By: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The recommendation of Mike Alcock, Civil Engineering Technologist, that the Council of the County of Huron approve the wording of the attached Draft Agreement with regards to parkades, between The Corporation of the County of Huron and The Corporation of the Township of North Huron, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A By-law be prepared authorizing the Clerk and Warden to execute the agreement pending North Huron approval of the terms of the agreement.

CARRIED

## **10. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:**

10.1 Ontario Association for County Clerks, Treasurers and Administrators –  
Sponsorship of the 2015 Spring Conference: (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved By: Councillor Grace and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

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THAT:

The recommendation of Susan Cronin, County Clerk, that the Council of the County of **Huron accept the report prepared by Clerk Cronin entitled "Ontario Association of County Clerks, Treasurers and Administrators – Sponsorship of the 2015 Spring Conference"** for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A \$1500 contribution to the 2015 Spring OACCTA Conference be included in the 2015 draft operating budget for consideration during the 2015 budget process;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The County of Huron support co-sponsoring the 2015 Spring OACCTA Conference pending 2015 budget approval and an equivalent financial commitment by the County of Perth.

CARRIED

10.2 Letter of Support from Warden for County of Huron Application to artsVest:  
(presented by Rick Sickinger)

Moved By: Councillor Grace and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The recommendation of Rick Sickinger, Cultural Development Officer, that the Committee accept this report as presented, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

**The Warden provide a letter of support for the County of Huron's application to artsVest Ontario 2014-15 program** which in turn will support actions items contained in the new municipal Cultural Plan.

CARRIED

**11. Closed to the Public Session:**

None.

**12. Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of Committee of the Whole Day 1 will be in Goderich on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

Huron County Municipal Officers' Association (HCMOA) meeting at the Blyth Arena on Friday, April 11, 2014.

**13. Adjournment:**

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MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 11:17 a.m.

CARRIED

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Chair Councillor Klopp

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Clerk Susan Cronin