



**Day One:**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
Highways, Facilities, Planning & Corporate  
Minutes - February 12, 2014

GODERICH, ONTARIO



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

Goderich, Ontario  
February 12, 2014

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014.

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

All members of Council were present except Councillor Jewitt. Councillor Grace departed at 10:35 a.m. and returned at 12:30 p.m. Vice Chair Versteeg called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

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

CAO Orchard stated that there was an addition to the agenda:

- Addition: Section 10.1 – Correspondence from Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Recent Developments in Joint and Several Liability – Municipal Action Needed

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

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

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Dowson and Seconded By: Councillor Robertson

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 Agenda for February 12, 2014 be accepted as amended and all reports included in the Agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

### **4. Delegations:**

4.1 Dr. Erica Clark, Epidemiologist with the Huron County Health Unit presented a report entitled Initiating Cancer Cluster Investigation in the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

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The Council accept the report from Dr. Erica Clark, Epidemiologist dated January 16, 2014 entitled Initiating Cancer Cluster Investigation in the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, as presented for information.

CARRIED

4.2 Economic Development – Presentation by Councillor John Grace.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council approves, in principle, the plan presented to establish a Huron County Economic Development Board and authorizes the Warden, CAO and

Councillor Grace to proceed with next steps and report back to Council.

CARRIED

## **5. Councillor's Issues:**

5.1 Notice of Motion

MOVED BY: Warden Steffler and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The County of Huron review the feasibility of County wide OPP policing.

AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION WAS MADE:

Moved By: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded By: Councillor Robertson

THAT the following be added to the main motion:

"after the funding model is released by the OPP."

CARRIED

The main motion as amended was adopted, the final wording being **as follows: "The County of Huron review the feasibility of County-wide OPP policing after the funding model is released by the OPP."**

CARRIED

5.2 Councillor Grace informed members of Council that over 40 volunteers will be attending the Huron County display at the Canada Blooms Flower and Garden Festival March 14-23, 2014 in Toronto.

- 5.3 Councillor Vincent requested that Councillor Grace address the federal budget allocation to rural broadband communication with SWEA.
- 5.4 Councillor Van Diepenbeek requested staff to contact representatives from the O.P.P. and Ministry of Transportation to attend a Council meeting to review the policy on placement of barricades for road closures in adverse weather conditions.
- 5.5 Councillor MacLellan requested an update in Closed to Public Session with regards to an identifiable individual.

**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. Mr. Ball gave members of Council an update on the recent grants and the Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea (PED) virus.

Council recessed at 10:30 a.m. and resumed at 10:46 a.m.

**7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.6:**

Planning and Development

7.1 Delegated Consents under the Planning Act - provided 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.

MOTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Senga Smith, Land Division Secretary, that no objections be lodged to the Delegated Consents submitted with the Report of February 12, 2014, be approved.

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

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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.

MOTION:

THAT:

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

7.3 Forest Conservation: Notices of Intent Under the Tree By-law  
(provided by Dave Pullen)

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

ACTION: Receive for information.

7.4 Huron Economic Development Partnership (HEDP) Meeting

The minutes of the HEDP Management Meeting of January 10, 2014 are provided.

ACTION: Receive for information.

7.5 Starter Company Program – Funding Agreement (prepared by Scott  
Tousaw)

The Huron Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC) will offer the Starter Company program under a funding agreement with the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment. The program will provide mentoring, training and capital (micro-grants) for youth (18 – 29 years of age) to start, grow or buy a small business in the County of Huron area. The program runs approx. 2 years to June 30, 2016. The funding will cover the cost of a part-time **(0.6 FTE) Business Advisor and program expenses. The County's SBEC** budget will cover overhead (in-kind) and incidental expenses.

MOTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director, Planning and Development, that a by-law be passed authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign the

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Starter Company funding agreement with the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment, be approved.

7.6 Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including January 23, 2014 will be reviewed.

DEPARTMENT PROGRAM	ACCOUNT
Highways	839,130.99
Fleet	160,607.82
Planning	122,225.09

ACTION:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including January 23, 2014 be received.

Consent Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.6 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

**8.0 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.

- a) B57/2013 – Rob & Lisa Elder (owners/applicants), Lot 24, Concession 6, Hay East Ward, Municipality of Bluewater (provided by Mitchell Avis)

The purpose and effect of this application is for the creation of a new lot under the surplus residence policies. The land proposed to be severed is approximately 15 acres (6.1 ha) with a residence. The vacant land proposed to be retained is approximately 85 acres (34.4 ha). The severance, as applied for does not meet the requirements because of the size of the proposed severed parcel and Minimum Distance Separation. Surplus farm

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dwelling consents are not to include any more improved farm land than is required to support the residence. The severance would conform if the size of the severed parcel were reduced. This is a disputed consent because the applicants do not wish to amend their application to reduce the amount of farmland included with the severed parcel. The Municipality of Bluewater recommended approval of the application as applied for with conditions. The Planning & Development Department recommends approval of the application with an added condition that the severed parcel be reduced to approximately 2.4 acres (1 ha) in size.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Klopp and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of Huron County support the recommendation of the Municipality of Bluewater that the application B57/2013 by Rob & Lisa Elder (owners/applicants), Lot 24, Concession 6, Hay East Ward, Municipality of Bluewater requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described be approved with Provisional Consent as per the application with conditions.

AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION WAS MADE:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Dietrich

THAT the following be added to the main motion:

“with an additional condition to enter into an agreement with the  
**Municipality of Bluewater with regards to tree planting.”**

CARRIED

The main motion as amended was adopted, the final wording being as follows: “**The Council of Huron County support the recommendation of** the Municipality of Bluewater that the application B57/2013 by Rob & Lisa Elder (owners/applicants), Lot 24, Concession 6, Hay East Ward, Municipality of Bluewater requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described be approved with Provisional Consent as per the application with conditions and with an additional condition to enter into an agreement with the Municipality of Bluewater with regards to tree planting.

CARRIED

- b) B52/2013 – Margueritte Miller (owner), Douglas A. Culbert O.L.S. (applicant), Part Lot 11, Front Concession, NTP, Ashfield Ward,

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Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh (provided by Monica Walker-Bolton)

The purpose and effect of this application is to create an easement for the right to use, access, repair and maintain an existing septic system on the property described as 33689C Beach Court for the benefit of the recreational residential use on the abutting property to the north, 33689A Beach Court. This is a disputed consent because the Health Unit does not support a septic system on an abutting property. The Township and the Planning and Development Department recommend approval with conditions.

MOTION:

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

THAT:

Application B52/2013 by Margueritte Miller (owner), Douglas A. Culbert O.L.S. (applicant), Part Lot 11, Front Concession, NTP, Ashfield Ward, Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh requesting consent for easement of a parcel of land as described, be approved with Provisional Consent subject to conditions set out in the report, as it conforms to the Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Official Plan, Huron County Official Plan, Section 51 (24) of the Planning Act and the Provincial Policy Statement.

CARRIED

**8.2 Joe Debus Request for Fee Waiver** (provided by Craig Metzger)

Joe Debus submitted a request for the County to waive its portion of the consent application fee for a proposed application to divide his property at 41 John Street North in Zurich (to sever the residence from the remainder of the property). The report provides background information and comments for the consideration of the Committee.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Dowson and Seconded By: Warden Steffler

THAT:

The request by Mr. Joe Debus for the waiver of the County portion of the consent application fee be approved.

CARRIED



**8.3 Extension of Draft Plan Approval, Subdivision File 40T09001, Landrush Inc., Exeter, South Huron** (prepared by Arthur Churchyard)

A request for extension of draft plan approval was received by the applicant. A report was provided. The Planning and Development Department recommends a 3 year extension and a minor wording change to condition **26. The Municipality of South Huron's recommendation** was determined at its meeting of February 3, 2014.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Robertson and Seconded By: Warden Steffler

THAT:

The recommendation of Arthur Churchyard, Planner, that draft plan approval for File 40T09001 be extended for 3 years, and a minor change be made to condition 26 as follows, be approved.

"26. The proponent has three (3) years from the date of extension of draft approval of this plan of subdivision to obtain final approval from the County. If final approval is not obtained before three (3) years from the date of extension of draft approval, and in the absence of an extension applied for by the Subdivider and approved by the County, then the draft approval shall be deemed to be void."

CARRIED

**8.4 Guelph to Goderich (G2G) Trail – Lease Proposal** (prepared by Cindy Fisher and Rebecca Rathwell)

On July 3, 2013 County Council requested staff to conduct additional research, hold a public meeting and report back on the proposed G2G trail on the former CPR line. The report provides a summary of issues from the public meeting held in November, background information on subleases, cost considerations, and recommended next steps.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Klopp

THAT:

The recommendation of Cindy Fisher, Tourism Coordinator and Rebecca Rathwell, Project Manager, that support in principle be given for the signing

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of the lease with the Province of Ontario for the Huron portion of the former CPR corridor (G2G), be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Staff proceed with the next steps identified in the report, and bring back another report.

CARRIED

**8.5 Forest Conservation By-law Activity:** (prepared by Dave Pullen)

A report on court decisions and cases under the By-law was requested at the January 15, 2014 Committee of the Whole Day 1 meeting. The report updates the committee on all cases since the last report. Regular updates on cases will be provided for information.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The recommendation of David Pullen, Forest Conservation Officer, that Council receive the report entitled Forest Conservation By-law Cases dated January 29, 2014 for information.

CARRIED

**9. Public Works Department:**

9.1 Selection of an Engineering Consultant for the Proposed 2014 Traffic Signals (Replacement) Seaforth (prepared by Dave Laurie)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Vincent and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The recommendation of Dave Laurie, Director of Public Works, that the County accept the proposal submitted by BM Ross & Associates for the preliminary design, detailed design, approvals, construction review and administration for the proposed Traffic Signal Lights project, in the amount of \$19,735.00 (including HST), based on the anticipated scope of work, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

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This project be funded from the Public Works Capital Reserve and included in the 2014 Budget. Funding \$225,000.00 from the Capital reserve represents no levy impact;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A By-law be prepared and the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the standard Client/Consultant Agreement for the proposed engineering services.

CARRIED

9.2 3-31,000 lb. GVW Cab & Chassis trucks complete with boxes (HC-2014-01): (prepared by Walter Johnston)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Klopp and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

**The recommendation of Walter Johnston, Fleet Manager that the County's Public Works Department proceed with placing an order from Team Truck Centres of Sarnia for three (3) 2014 Freightliner M2-106 single axle cab & chassis trucks complete with Commander Industries Inc. aluminum boxes, be approved.**

CARRIED

9.3 1-31,000 lb. GVW Cab & Chassis truck complete with box (HC-2014-02) (prepared by Walter Johnston)

MOTION:

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

THAT:

**The recommendation of Walter Johnston, Fleet Manager, that the County's Public Works Department proceed with placing an order from Team Truck Centres of Sarnia for one (1) 2014 Freightliner M2-106 single axle cab & chassis truck complete with Commander Industries Inc. aluminum box, be approved.**

CARRIED

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

Section 10.1 – Correspondence from Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
- Recent Developments in Joint and Several Liability – Municipal Action Needed

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MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of Huron County support correspondence received from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Recent Developments in Joint and Several Liability – Municipal Action Needed by issuing written support to the provincial government.

CARRIED

10.2 Management Structure of the Health Unit – Working Session with Board of Health to Review/Discuss Options. Huron County Board of Health Member Rosemary Rognvaldson joined the discussion. CAO Orchard informed members that the Ministry of Health has stated that any staff performing duties for the Health Unit are to be employees of the Health Unit not County of Huron employees in accordance with the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Klopp and Seconded By: Warden Steffler

THAT:

The Council of Huron County direct CAO Orchard to prepare a plan and timeline for the migration of Huron County Health Unit employees from the County to the Board of Health.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Shewfelt

THAT:

The Council of Huron County recommends that the Huron County Board of Health issue correspondence to Grey-Bruce and Lambton County Board of Health to request consideration of amalgamation.

CARRIED

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

None. Councillor MacLellan's request for an update on an identifiable individual will be delayed until the next Closed to Public Session.

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**12. Next Meeting:**

There will be a Special Council Session to consider the 2014 Budget in Goderich on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 immediately following the Committee of the Whole Day 2.

The next meeting of Committee of the Whole Day 1 will be in Goderich on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

**13. Adjournment:**

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 12:48 a.m.

CARRIED

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Vice Chair Councillor Versteeg

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Clerk Susan Cronin