



Day One: Committee of the Whole

Highways, Facilities, Planning & Corporate

Minutes - May 12, 2010

GODERICH, ONTARIO



DAY 1 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Goderich, Ontario
May 12th, 2010

The Day 1 Committee of the Whole met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 12th of May, 2010. Chair D. Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

All members of Council were present except for Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek. Councillors J. Bezaire and J. Seili arrived at the meeting at 9:07 a.m. Councillors J. Fergusson and J. Seili left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Declarations of Pecuniary Conflict of Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

There were no declarations of pecuniary conflict of interest.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor G. Robertson:

THAT:

The Day 1 Committee of the Whole Agenda for May 12th, 2010; be accepted and all Reports included in the Agenda; be received.

CARRIED

Councillor's Issues:

No Councillor's issues were stated at this time.

5. Report of the Regional Information Co-ordinator OMAFRA:

Jane Muegge, Regional Information Co-ordinator, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs delivered a presentation for the information of the Committee.

Councillor Vincent thanked Jane Muegge for arranging the extra information meeting at the REACH on May 6th regarding solar energy. This event was very well attended and confirms the interest alternative energy sources in Huron County.

6. Public Works Department:

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Dave Laurie, Director of Public Works and Mike Alcock, Civil Engineering Technologist presented the following reports for the information of the Committee.

6.1 Information Report:

7. Planning and Development:

Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development introduced the summer students from the Planning and Development Department. They are:

Planning students - Victor Kloeze and Mitchel Avis.

GIS students – Ryan Graham and Cameron Robertson. Cameron Robertson is on an eight month work term.

7.1 Consents:

The authority to grant or refuse to grant consents is delegated to the Committee of the Whole under By-law No. 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) B13/2010 - Ronald O'Brien (owner), Lot 12 & Pt. Lot 11, Concession 7, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron:

The purpose of this application is for the creation of a new lot under the surplus severance policies. The land to be severed is approximately 3.1 ac (1.3 ha) and contains an existing barn. A residence was built prior to 1973, but was demolished in 2006 and presently only the foundation remains. The vacant land to be retained is approximately 141 ac (57 ha). It is recommended by the Planning & Development Department and the local municipality that this application be denied; as it does not meet the criteria for a surplus residence.

Sally McMullen, Planner, reviewed the application with the Committee.

Ronald O'Brien, the applicant was available to give his comments regarding the application. He advised that the Municipality of South Huron was informed prior to the removal of the house; as it was uninhabitable. Mr. O'Brien would like to build a new residence on the severed parcel and stay in the community.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor N. Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Oke:

THAT:

Application B13/2010 for property owned by Ronald O'Brien at Lot 12, Pt. Lot 11, Concession 7, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron; requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described; be denied Provisional Consent as the severance does not conform to the South Huron Official Plan or Section 51(24) of *the Planning Act, RSO 1990, as amended*.

DEFEATED

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor J. Seili:

THAT:

Application B13/2010 for property owned by Ronald O'Brien at Lot 12, Pt. Lot 11, Concession 7, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron; requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described; be approved Provisional Consent; with conditions.

CARRIED

b) B9/2010 - Jason & Helene Beuermann (owners), Pt. Lots 2 & 3, Concession 11, McKillop Ward, Municipality of Huron East:

The purpose of this application is for the creation of a new lot under the surplus severance policies. The land to be severed is approximately 2.7 ac (1.1 ha) and contains an existing house and shed. The land to be retained is approximately 149.3 ac (60.4 ha). It is recommended by the Planning & Development Department that this application be denied as it does not meet MDS requirements. The application has been recommended for approval by the local municipality.

Sandra Weber, Senior Planner reviewed the application with the Committee.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor J. Seili:

THAT:

Application B9/2010 for property owned by Jason and Helene Beuermann at Pt. Lots 2 & 3, Concession 11, McKillop Ward, Municipality of Huron East; requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described; be approved Provisional Consent; with conditions.

CARRIED

c) B8/2010 - Seanlaurzach Holdings Inc., Merle Louise Hoegy & Rhonda Lea Hoegy, Pt. Lot 6, Concession 11, Grey Ward, Municipality of Huron East:

The purpose of this application is for the creation of a new lot under the surplus severance policies. The land to be severed is approximately 8.9 ac (3.6 ha) with an existing house and barn. The vacant land to be retained is approximately 89.2 ac (36.1 ha). It is recommended by the Planning and Development Department that this application be denied; as it does not meet the criteria for a surplus residence. The application has been recommended for approval by the local municipality.

Sandra Weber, Senior Planner reviewed the application with the Committee.

Mr. John McKercher, solicitor for the applicant reviewed two options for the Committee to consider.

Mr. Dale Newman commented on the application. He is objecting to the application.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Seili and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

Application B8/2010 for property owned by Seanlaurzach Holdings Inc., Merle Louise Hoegy and Rhonda Lea Hoegy at Pt. Lot 6, Concession 11, Grey Ward, Municipality of Huron East; requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land as described; be approved Provisional Consent; with conditions.

Councillor Bezaire requested a Recorded Vote.

YEAS: Dowson
 Collyer
 Bezaire
 Kelly
 Fergusson
 Johnston
 Grace
 MacLellan
 Seili
 Shewfelt
 Demaray

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Con't. from Page 4.

NAYS: Oke
Rintoul
Siemon
Vincent
Scott
Dykstra
Robertson
Dietrich

Absent Van Diepenbeek

YEAS – 11, NAYS – 8, ABSENT - 1
CARRIED

7.2 Delegated Consents:

The authority to grant undisputed consents is delegated to the Director of Planning and Development under By-law 5-2009. Report 7.2 lists the applications which received provisional consent approval since the last report. County Council is notified for information and appeal purposes only.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Siemon and Seconded by: Councillor B. MacLellan:

THAT:

The recommendation of Senga Smith, Land Division Secretary; that no objections be lodged further to the Delegated Consents submitted with the Report of May 12th, 2010; be approved.

CARRIED

7.3 Official Plans:

a) Huron County Official Plan Five Year Review and Take Action for Sustainable Huron Report:

The revised pages for the Huron County Official Plan from the May 3rd Special Council meeting were distributed at the Committee meeting on May 12th, and had been previously emailed/faxed to all of County Council on May 7th.

Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development reviewed the recommended changes that were considered and agreed on at the Special Council meeting on May 3rd.

Councillor D. Johnston complimented the Planning Department for all their hard work and the manner in which they handled the comments from the public. It confirms for the public that the County of Huron will listen and weigh those comments and make the appropriate changes.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor B. Siemon:

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development; that the Official Plan Five Year Review; be adopted by By-law; and forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval; be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development, that the Official Plan Five Year Review, pursuant to Section 26(7) of *the Planning Act*, is hereby declared to meet the requirements of Sections 26(1)(a)(i), (ii) and (iii) of *the Planning Act*, being the Plan conforms with provincial plans or does not conflict with them, has regard to the matters listed in Section 2 of *the Planning Act*, and is consistent with policy statements issued under Section 3(1) of *the Planning Act*, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development, that the Take Action for Sustainable Huron report; be accepted as a framework document; be approved.

CARRIED

"Closed to the Public Session":

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott and Seconded by: Councillor K. Oke:

THAT:

The Committee do now go into a "Closed to the Public Session" at 11:14 a.m. under Section 229 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended:

- *The purpose of the "Closed to the Public Session" is to consider advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;*

AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Larry C. Adams, County Treasurer David Carey, Director of Human Resources Darcy Michaud, County Solicitor Greg Stewart and County Clerk Barbara L. Wilson; remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The Committee rise from the "Closed to the Public Session" at 12:50 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Bezaire and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich:

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 meeting adjourn for a lunch break until 1:30 p.m.

CARRIED

7.4 Zoning By-laws:

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 attached report.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development; that no objections be lodged further to the Zoning By-laws submitted with the Report of April 29th, 2010; be approved.

CARRIED

7.5 Community Economic Development:

a) Economic Development Services 2010 Business Plan:

Mike Pullen, Senior Economic Development Officer will present highlights from the Economic Development Services 2010 Business Plan. Core services and special projects are covered, as well as a brief demonstration of the new investinhuron.ca and shopinhuron.ca websites. Upon approval of County Council, colour copies of the 2010 Business Plan will be printed and distributed to municipalities, industry associations and other relevant stakeholders.

Mike Pullen introduced Rebecca Rathwell as the lead on the Huron Local Immigration Partnership Project.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor J. Bezaire:

THAT:

The recommendation of Mike Pullen, Senior Economic Development Officer, to approve the Economic Development Services 2010 Business Plan; be approved.

CARRIED

b) Annual Report for the Huron Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC):

Alison Lobb, Business Consultant and Carol Leeming, Planner, will present the report summarizing the activities of the SBEC for 2009 and planned activities for 2010.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Grace and Seconded by: Warden B. Dykstra:

THAT:

The recommendation of Alison Lobb, Business Consultant, SBEC, to approve the annual report; be approved.

CARRIED

c) Application to Rural Economic Development (RED) Program:

A summary of the RED application submitted to OMAFRA is contained in the report. Last month, Council approved that a revised application be submitted, after the County's first application was returned as not eligible for funding.

Extensive consultation with OMAFRA staff has resulted in a significantly altered application, focusing only on Business Retention and Expansion (BR+E) programs. Although proven to be highly successful in Huron County, the RED Panel no longer supports community economic development projects of the same scope as the Huron Economic Development Matters Program (HEDM). Therefore, rather than a multi-faceted application encompassing BR+E, agricultural diversification and human capital development/training, OMAFRA has recommended an initial application with a singular focus on BR+E activities.

Working in partnership with the Huron Business Development Corporation, another RED application focusing on agricultural diversification (i.e., viticulture, artisanal cheese, and aquaculture) will be submitted later in 2010. The County

and HBDC will also work in partnership with the "Above the Falls Community Project Inc." to submit an application from this organization to develop and implement multi-sector, County-wide programming pertaining to human capital development/training and youth. Staff will also be pursuing an application to the Southern Ontario Development Program through FedDev Ontario for multi-year funding to enhance and deliver economic development activities not covered through the RED Program.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Siemon and Seconded by: Councillor D. Shewfelt:

THAT:

Through the partnership between the County of Huron, the Huron Business Development Corporation and Above the Falls Community Project Inc., County financial contributions be reallocated into three separate RED applications as outlined in the report to an amount not exceeding that of the original application (\$250,000 cash; \$250,000 in-kind) for a two year program, spanning three budget years.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

Available funds resulting from the vacancy of the Community Revitalization Co-ordinator position; be extended to HBDC for the Local Youth Co-ordinator to an upside limit of \$20,000 and the balance be used for the Local First Project Co-ordinator.

CARRIED

d) Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Plan – Consultant:

A request for proposal (RFP) was circulated for the hiring of a consultant to develop a TDM Plan under the guidance of the Transportation Task Force. Two submissions were received by the closing date of April 23, 2010. The proposals have been evaluated and a report with the recommended consultant was distributed at the Committee meeting. This project is funded by the County of Huron and the Ministry of Transportation through the Ontario Municipal TDM program.

It is recommended that a contract be entered into with MMM Group for the development of a TDM Plan in accordance with the RFP and the applicant's submission.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Siemon and Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott:

THAT:

The recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development, that a contract be entered into with MMM Group for the development of a TDM Plan at a cost of \$53,100 (plus taxes) and in accordance with the RFP and the applicant's submission; be approved.

CARRIED

e) 21st Annual Tourism Event and Brochure Swap – April 21, 2010:

The 2010 event was held at REACH in Clinton and is summarized in the report. A photo collection of the event is available in the Planning and Development Department. Cindy Fisher, Senior Planner/Tourism Co-ordinator reviewed her report for the information of the Committee.

f) New Tourism Documents: 2010 Huron County Vacation Guide and County Hiking Brochure:

These documents were officially launched at the April 21st tourism event and thousands of copies were distributed to local and area tourism operators. Copies were distributed to the Committee. The marketing and promotion of these and other tourism publications was reported in the Annual Tourism Report. Cindy Fisher, Senior Planner/Tourism Co-ordinator reviewed her report for the information of the Committee.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Bezaire and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

Planning and Development staff be directed to prepare a Report for an upcoming Committee meeting outlining conferences where the County of Huron be marketed from an economic development and tourism focus.

CARRIED

g) Huron Tourism Association – 2010 Season Launch Event and Celebration of Tourism Week - Sunday June 13, 2010:

County Council was invited to attend this “Holiday @ Home in Huron” event at Shelter Valley Campground (Hwy 8 between Clinton and Goderich) between 12:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Sunday June 13, 2010. This is the second time that such an event has been held in Huron County. In July 2009, over 600 people attended a similar “Staycation” event at the Benmiller Inn.

h) Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA) Voting Appointments:

Councillor J. Bezaire reported on the SWEA conference and the partnership that is being developed with the Colleges and Universities in Ontario. There is a commitment from approximately 15 public sectors (Universities and Colleges) and approximately 15 private sectors (businesses/corporations) to join the SWEA membership.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor B. Siemon:

THAT:

The recommendation of Larry C. Adams, CAO, that the following members of County Council and staff be the voting appointments to the 2010 SWEA Annual General Meeting; be approved:

- Warden B Dykstra
- Larry C. Adams, CAO
- Scott Tousaw, Director Planning & Development
- Mike Pullen, Senior Economic Development Officer

AND FURTHER THAT:

Councillor N. Vincent be appointed as the fifth voting delegate at the 2010 SWEA Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

7.6 Forest Conservation:

a) Notices of Intent Under the Tree By-law:

	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Property Owner</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Location</u>
1.	Saratoga Sawmill	Garry Scott	10	Lot 11, Con. 9, A-C-W, (Colborne Ward)
2.	Saratoga Sawmill	Bill Brindley	20	Lot 1, Con. 9, A-C-W (Colborne Ward)
3.	Saratoga Sawmill	Bill Brindley	2	Lot 1, Con 9, A-C-W (Wawanosh Ward)
4.	Double S Logging Inc	Lorelido Farms	30	Lot 38, Pt Lot 39, Con. 6, NH, Ward 2, (East Wawanosh)
5.	Bester Logging	Philip Eadie	25	Lot 12, C on. 8, MT, Ward T (Turnberry)
6.	Martins Cutting and Skidding	Elam Martin	26	Lot 40, 41, Con. 8, NH, Ward 2 (East Wawanosh)
7.	Martins Cutting and Skidding	Ernie and Dorothy Talbot	20	Lot 9, Con. 4, B, Bayfield Ward
8.	M & M Tree Services	Carle Ruoda	8	Pt Lot 23, Con. Bayfield, CH Ward 1 (Goderich twp)
9.	Alec Ostrom	Alec Ostrom	2	Lot 24, Con. Bayfield, CH Ward 1 (Goderich Twp)
10.	HTC Logging	Flynn Farms	15	Lot. 24, 25, Con. 4, CH, Ward 2 (Hullet)
11.	B. Kropf Forestry/ Timberland Resources Inc	Aaron Wiebe	12	Lot 26, Con. 4, SH, Ward 3 (Usborne)
12.	Bester Forest Products	John Nelson	25	Lot 28 & 29, Con 12, NH Ward 2 (East Wawanosh)
13.	Saratoga Sawmill	Dave Golley	5	Lot 42, Con. 10, NH, Ward 2, (East Wawanosh)

8. Administration, Policies & Other Issues:

A power-point presentation was delivered by the Evaluation Team from the Huron County Clerks and Treasurers Association consisting of Erin Thomson, Huron County Benefits Specialist, Donna White, Municipality of North Huron Treasurer and Kevin McIlwain, Municipality of Central Huron CAO.

Members of the Committee were given an opportunity to ask questions.

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The recommendation of CAO Adams, County Treasurer Carey, Director of Human Resources Michaud that the County of Huron appoint Donnelly Management Advisory Services Ltd., as the benefit advisors for a three year term, with an option to renew for an addition two years, for a total of five years; be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

This appointment be effective as soon as possible.

Warden B. Dykstra requested a Recorded Vote.

YEAS: Rintoul
Dykstra
Dietrich
Kelly
Fergusson
Collyer
Oke
Demaray
Vincent
Seili
Siemon
Johnston
MacLellan
Robertson
Dowson
Scott
Grace
Bezaire

NAYS: Shewfelt

ABSENT: Van Diepenbeek

YEAS – 18, NAYS – 1, ABSENT – 1
CARRIED

9. Correspondence:

10. Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including April 30th, 2010; will be reviewed.

Highways	\$133,851.63
Fleet	25,642.33
Planning	63,640.63

Financial statements for the period ending March 31st, 2010; will be reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Highways	47,910	872,468	3,710,786	3,441,029	3,662,876	2,568,561
Fleet	507,892	518,520	399,295	449,254	(108,597)	(69,266)
Planning	183,108	214,522	592,964	761,222	409,856	546,700

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich:

THAT:

The accounts for up to and including April 30th, 2010 and the financial statement as of March 31st, 2010; be received.

CARRIED

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of Day 1 Committee of the Whole will be in Goderich on Wednesday June 9th, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor G. Robertson:

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 2:51 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair D. Kelly