



Day Two: Committee of the Whole

Museum/Gaol, Social Services, EMS, Homes & Corporate

Minutes - August 10, 2011

GODERICH, ONTARIO



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DAY 2

Goderich, Ontario
August 10th, 2011

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 10th of August, 2011. All members of Council were present except for Councillors Riach and Grace. Chair J. Steffler called the meeting to order at 9:48 a.m.

Chair Steffler requested a moment of silence in memory of Past Warden Ken Oke, who passed away on August 4th, 2011.

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

There were no declarations of pecuniary conflict of interest. Councillor Van Diepenbeek declared a conflict with any item dealing with wind turbines on this Agenda.

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 Agenda for August 10th, 2011; be accepted and all Reports included in the Agenda; be received.

CARRIED

Councillor's Issues:

Warden Vincent reported there is an antique car group staying in Blyth this week that are taking day trips touring Huron County.

Councillor Dowson reminded everyone that the 10th Anniversary of 9-11 is occurring this September. He encouraged everyone to remember our emergency personnel; ambulance, fire and police for the dedicated jobs they do while we observe the 10th Anniversary of September 11th.

Councillor Siemon requested a policy on bulk buying be prepared for Council's consideration.

5. Cultural Services:

Meighan Wark, Director of Cultural Services presented the following reports; for the information of the Committee.

5.1 Museum, Gaol and Cultural Program Information/Updating Report for June 2011:

Pat Hamilton, Curator at the Huron County Museum introduced the summer students that work at the Museum, Gaol and Marine Museum.

Hailey Arts of Huron East has been working on the statue book collection as well as preparing an inventory of the map drawers that will provide an accurate contact list.

Vanessa Wilts of Central Huron is also working at the Museum and Gaol and the Marine Museum. She thanked Council for the valuable opportunity to work at the Museum and the great work experience she has attained this summer.

5.2 Huron Heritage Fund Review and Applications:

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The recommendation of Meighan Wark, Director of Cultural Services; that Council follow through on the options outlined in the COTW Day 2 meeting of May 18th, 2011; (as follows:

Option 1 – Approve all applications and allocate the full \$20,000 (approximately 98% of the amount requested);

Option 3 – Establish a committee to recommend the funding based on the priorities of the program for need, merit, and public benefit;

Option 4 -- Change the criteria for the program to focus the resources. Consider increasing the program in future years);

By establishing a Committee relating to the Huron Heritage Fund; be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Two Councillors be appointed to sit on the Huron Heritage Fund Committee and one representative from the cultural or heritage community in Huron County;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Councillor B. MacLellan and Councillor J. Grace be appointed from Huron County Council to the Huron Heritage Fund Committee;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

It is agreed the purpose of the Huron Heritage Fund Committee be established to evaluate the Huron Heritage Fund, assess applications and establish the appropriate criteria for focusing the resources.

CARRIED

5.3 Museum Policy Review:

Councillor Van Diepenbeek asked how much the operating grant was. The Director of Cultural Services, Meighan Wark will respond with that amount at an upcoming meeting.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor B. Barnim:

THAT:

The recommendation of Meighan Wark, Director of Cultural Services; that Council review the policies included in the report in order that they may be adopted and included in *Huron County Museum's Standards for Community Museums Assessment*; due September 30th, 2011; be approved.

CARRIED

5.4 Cultural Resource Mapping Steering Committee:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor P. Klopp:

THAT:

The recommendation of Meighan Wark, Director of Cultural Services; that a member of Council be appointed to participate in the Cultural Resource Mapping Steering Committee; to provide input and feedback on the project from the perspective of Council; be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Councillor Tyler Hessel; be appointed as the member of Council to participate in the Cultural Resource Mapping Steering Committee.

CARRIED

6. Social Services:

Dave Overboe, Director of Social Services presented the following reports for the information of the Committee.

6.1 Report from the Social Services Department:

6.2 Proposal to Innovation Fund / Leadership Assignment:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor P. Gowing:

THAT:

The recommendation of Eveleen McDonagh, Children's Services Manager, that a partnership be formed with the Avon Maitland District School Board to collaboratively submit a proposal to the "Innovation Fund" through the Ministry of Children and Youth Services and Community Action Research; be approved; AND FURTHER THAT:

Eveleen McDonagh; be appointed to be the Administrative Lead on this project.

CARRIED

6.3 Social Housing Services Corporation Correspondence:

Dave Overboe, Director of Social Services discussed the Social Housing Services Corporation (SHSC) Group Insurance Program that is mandatory for prescribed social housing providers. Huron County's annual cost is \$43,000. Huron County's claim history has been relatively small. There are 450 units that are covered in the program for Huron County.

Warden Vincent left the meeting at 10:30 a.m. and returned at 10:45 a.m.

7. Emergency Services:

David Lew, Chief, Emergency Services, presented the following reports; for the information of Committee.

7.1 Emergency Services Executive Summary - August:

Councillor Rintoul requested a follow up report in another month on the Rapid Response Units. Chief Lew advised this will be a monthly report.

Councillor MacLellan requested the statistic in the report; when the Rapid Response Unit attends at an event and is able to tend to the emergency, and the ambulance is then called off or cleared from responding to the event.

7.2 EMS Report (from Jeff Horseman, Deputy Chief):

7.3 July Report (from Jason Dodds, 9-1-1 System Specialist)

7.4 PRISM911 Update (from David Lew, Chief):

7.5 July Report (from Gary Wood, CEMC):

7.6 EMS Response to Wind Turbines:

Councillor MacLellan requested the Plan and intent of the Plan from Capital Power on how it can be addressed from a fire and EMS perspective.

8. Homes for the Aged:

Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, presented the following reports; for the information of Committee.

8.1 Information Update:

8.2 Operational Checklist: Huronview and Huronlea HFA:

8.3 Correspondence: LTC Homes Occupancy Rate Survey Results – Quarter 1, 2011

9. Administration, Policies & Other Issues:

Larry Adams, Chief Administrative Officer presented the following; for the information of Committee.

9.1 Request to Honour our Afghanistan Veterans by Flying a Special “Thank Our Troops” flag for the week of August 15th to the 21st, 2011:

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the request from Branch 209 of the Royal Canadian Legion to honour our Afghanistan Veterans by flying a special “Thank Our Troops” flag the week of August 15th to the 21st, 2011.

CARRIED

9.2 2011 By-law to Establish Decrease Limits for Certain Property Classes:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek and Seconded by: Councillor B. MacLellan:

THAT:

The recommendation of Nancy Rennick, Deputy Treasurer, that Council consider a By-law for the 2011 year to establish decrease limits/retained for certain property classes as follows:

- a) Multi-residential property class 62.7643%
- b) Commercial property class 94.1273%
- c) Industrial property class 94.8160%

AND FURTHER THAT:

Council agree to reaffirm the past policy of funding the mandatory relief to the multi-residential, commercial and industrial classes via the clawback mechanism within each class.

CARRIED

10. Correspondence:

11. Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including July 29th, 2011 were reviewed.

Museum/Gaol	\$19,891.24
Buildings	\$158,987.76
Social Housing	\$476,966.57
EMS	\$119,748.92
Homes for the Aged	\$324,891.50
Council	\$9,183.46
Corporate	\$5,203,312.96
Accessibility	\$6,216.24

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Financial statements for the period ending June 30th, 2010 were reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Museum/Gaol	49,699	108,228	531,579	635,334	481,880	527,106
Huron Heritage	-	-	9,977	10,002	9,977	10,002
Buildings	878,881	898,734	987,501	1,166,406	108,620	267,672
Social Services	6,222,201	7,454,866	7,507,088	8,824,982	1,284,887	1,307,116
Social Housing	1,237,813	1,204,794	2,212,517	2,101,782	974,704	896,988
EMS	2,333,460	2,325,882	4,667,791	4,791,360	2,334,331	2,465,478
Homes	5,857,587	7,386,388	6,967,128	8,658,135	1,109,541	1,271,747
HCAAC	-	-	27,656	29,856	27,656	29,856
Council	3,045	-	280,004	330,504	276,959	330,504
Corporate	20,450,966	20,421,222	2,914,597	3,550,422	(17,536,369)	(16,870,800)

Councillor Frayne requested a better breakdown on the accounts. Treasurer Carey advised that there can be a better breakdown of invoices on an excel spreadsheet. Councillor Frayne would be satisfied with this suggestion.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Dowson and Seconded by: Councillor B. Barnim:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including July 29th, 2011 and the financial statements as of June 30th, 2011; be received.

CARRIED

"Closed to the Public Session":

There was not a Closed to the Public Session.

CAO Adams reported that the date for the hearing of the Application by the Town of Goderich, the Township of Howick, the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, the Municipality of Bluewater and the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh has been set for August 24th, 2011. CAO Adams has been approached by legal counsel advising that it may be in the best interests of everyone involved to seek a special appointment in another jurisdiction to fast track the application. The next available date for a special appointment in Huron County would be November, 2011. There was some discussion about how quickly this application should move forward and the venue for it to be heard.

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MOTION:

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron; agree to request a special appointment in the County of Huron for the application to be considered by the Supreme Court of Canada regarding the composition of County Council.

CARRIED

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of Committee of the Whole Day 2 will be in Goderich on Wednesday September 21st, 2011 at 9:45 a.m.

Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Barnim and Seconded by: Councillor D. Frayne:

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 11:18 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair Joe Steffler