



# Huron County Council

## Minutes - December 5, 2007

**First Session**

*GODERICH, ONTARIO*



THE MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL  
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE  
COUNTY OF HURON  
FOR THE YEAR 2008

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HURON COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

FIRST SESSION  
FIRST DAY

GODERICH, ONTARIO  
DECEMBER 5, 2007

The duly elected County Councillors of the County of Huron for the years 2007 - 2010 met in the Council Chambers at 1:00 p.m. with the 2007 Warden, D. J. (Deb) Shewfelt, presiding.

The 2007 Warden welcomed the Council and guests to the Inaugural Session.

The CAO called the roll and all members were present except Councillor M. Scott.

**MOTION**

1-08 Moved by Councillor J. Seili, seconded by Councillor B. Siemon, that the CAO proceed with the election of Warden as set out in the Procedural By-law.

Carried

The CAO called for nominations for Warden for 2008.

**NOMINATIONS FOR WARDEN**

Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek, Municipality of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, nominated Councillor J. Bezaire, Municipality of Central Huron, as a candidate for Warden for 2008.

Councillor B. Dowson, Municipality of Bluewater, nominated Councillor D. Kelly, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, as a candidate for Warden for 2008.

There being no further nominations, the CAO declared nominations closed.

The candidates for the 2008 Warden's position: namely, Councillor John Bezaire and Councillor Dorothy Kelly, addressed Council briefly.

The CAO conducted the election by open recorded vote.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

BEZAIRE: Van Diepenbeek, Rintoul, Johnston, Fergusson, Dykstra, Bezaire, Collyer, Demaray, Seili, Vincent, Oke, Robertson, Dietrich = 13

KELLY: Dowson, Shewfelt, Grace, MacLellan, Siemon, Kelly = 6

ABSENT: Scott = 1

**MOTION**

2-08 Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan, seconded by Councillor J. Fergusson, that Councillor J. Bezaire, County Councillor from the Municipality of Central Huron, be Warden of the County of Huron for the year 2008 and until his successor is appointed.

Carried

**INSTALLATION OF WARDEN**

The new Warden joined Past Warden Shewfelt at the dais.

The CAO administered the Declaration of Office to the Warden. Past Warden Shewfelt presented the new Warden with the Chain of Office, Gavel, the Warden's Pin, Crest and the key to the County of Huron.

Warden Bezaire presented Past Warden Shewfelt with his name plate as a memento of his year as Warden.

Warden Bezaire called on Father John Pluta, Retired, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Goderich, to conduct the devotional exercises.

**MOTION**

3-08 Moved by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek, seconded by Councillor G. Robertson, that the thanks of Huron County Council be extended to Father John Pluta, Retired, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Goderich, for his participation at the Inaugural Meeting of Council.

Carried

Warden Bezaire spoke briefly thanking Council for the honour of being elected Warden for 2008 and introduced his family and friends.

Warden Bezaire called on Councillor B. Dykstra, Municipality of Central Huron, who congratulated the Warden on behalf of the local Council and ratepayers. He also introduced the local Council and staff.

Paul Steckle, M.P., Huron-Bruce, and Colleen Schenk, Vice Chair of the Avon Maitland District School Board, addressed Council and congratulated Warden Bezaire.

Carol Mitchell, M.P.P., Huron-Bruce, and the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board were unable to attend and sent their regrets.

**APPOINTMENT OF STRIKING COMMITTEE**

According to the Procedural By-law, the Striking Committee for 2008 will consist of:

Warden J. Bezaire, Chair  
Past Warden D. J .Shewfelt  
Councillor B. Dowson  
Councillor J. Seili  
Councillor J. Fergusson  
Larry Adams, CAO

**MOTION**

4-08 Moved by Councillor D. Shewfelt, seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich, that the following members of Huron County Council be the Striking Committee for the year 2008.

Warden J. Bezaire, Chair  
Past Warden D. J. Shewfelt  
Councillor B. Dowson  
Councillor J. Seili  
Councillor J. Fergusson  
Larry Adams, CAO

Carried

Warden Bezaire announced that Members of Council were requested to stay close to the Council Chambers so that Council could resume sitting as soon as the Striking Committee had their report ready. Everyone else was welcome to wait for the Striking Committee report, however, there was a reception at the Candlelight Restaurant ready to start.

Also, that the Striking Committee would meet immediately.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The report of the Striking Committee was read by the CAO.

Moved by Councillor J. Seili  
Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly

That the report of the Striking Committee be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #1.

Carried

**BY-LAWS**

**MOTIONS**

5-08 Moved by Councillor N. Vincent, seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek, that leave be given to introduce the following by-law:  
1-08 To appoint members to various Committees and Boards.

Carried

6-08 Moved by Councillor B. Siemon, seconded by Councillor G. Robertson, that By-law No. 1, 2008, be given a first and second reading.

Carried

7-08 Moved by Councillor N. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor K. Oke, that By-law No. 1, 2008, as read a first and second time, be passed.

Carried

8-08 Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan, seconded by Councillor D. Kelly, that By-law No. 1, 2008, be given a third reading in accordance with Part 7 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 23, Subsection 2.

Carried

9-08 Moved by Councillor D. Johnston, seconded by Councillor J. Grace, that By-law No. 1, 2008, as read a third time, be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

Carried

**MOTION**

10-08 Moved by Councillor B. Dykstra, seconded by Councillor B. Dowson, that County Council do now adjourn at 3:05 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday, January 9, 2008 or at the call of the Warden and Clerk.

Carried

The Session closed with the singing of O Canada.

BARBARA A. LEAMEN, County Clerk

JOHN BEZAIRE, Warden

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WARDEN

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COUNTY CLERK

Goderich, Ontario  
December 5, 2007

The STRIKING COMMITTEE met on the above date in the Court House with the following persons present: Warden J. Bezaire, Councillors B. Dowson, J. Fergusson, J. Seili, D. Shewfelt and CAO, L. C. Adams.

### **1. Acting Chair**

Moved by D. Shewfelt.

Seconded by B. Dowson.

That Warden J. Bezaire be Acting Chair for presentation of the Striking Committee report to Council.

**Carried**

### **2. Striking Committee Report**

Moved by J. Seili.

Seconded by J. Fergusson.

That the Striking Committee report, attached to these minutes, be accepted and recommended to County Council for adoption by by-law.

**Carried**

### **3. Adjournment**

Moved by J. Seili.

Seconded by J. Fergusson.

That the meeting adjourn at 2:17 p.m.

**Carried**

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Chair

REPORT NO. 1, 2008  
REPORT OF THE STRIKING COMMITTEE

TO THE MEMBERS OF HURON COUNTY COUNCIL

The following is the report of your Striking Committee for the year 2008 with the Chair being selected at the first committee meeting.

PLANNING, AGRICULTURE & PUBLIC WORKS Warden J. Bezaire, M. Demaray, J. Dietrich, B. Dowson, B. Dykstra\*\*, N. Rintoul, D. Shewfelt, B. Siemon

HEALTH, AMBULANCE & SOCIAL SERVICES Warden J. Bezaire, J. Grace\*\*, D. Johnston, B. MacLellan, K. Oke, M. Scott, B. Van Diepenbeek R. Rognavldson, Provincial Representative

CULTURAL SERVICES & SENIORS Warden J. Bezaire, T. Collyer, J. Fergusson\*\*, D. Kelly, G. Robertson, J. Seili, N. Vincent  
Non-Council: Beth Austin, Phyllis Chisholm, Norman Fairles, Cheryl Heath, Margaret Menzies, Eric Nichols

\*\*Chairs: Appointed at December Committee Meetings

HURON COUNTY ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Dorothy Kelly

*Voting Members:* Glen McLachlan, Bob Fisher, Joe Austin, Lorie Falconer, Rosemary Armstrong, Sandra Thompson, Robyn Hicks, Lisa Harper, Maureen McCauley, Ed Bezaire, (1 member to be appointed)

*Non-Voting Members:* Claire Dodds, Jeff Layton, Christine Hoffman, Barb Leamen, Lynda Rotteau, Jennifer Cowan

The Warden is an ex-officio member of all committees.

HURON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS – J. Grace

BOARD OF THE HURON-PERTH COUNTY CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY – K. Oke

MAITLAND WATERSHED PARTNERSHIPS - WATER ACTION TEAM – N. Vincent

MAITLAND WATERSHED PARTNERSHIPS - TERRESTRIAL TEAM & FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN – B. Siemon

HURON FARM ENVIRONMENTAL MEDIATION COMMITTEE – B. Dowson  
– B. Van Diepenbeek

HURON BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, BOARD OF DIRECTORS – J. Seili

WATER PROTECTION STEERING COMMITTEE – B. Dykstra  
– B. Dowson  
– D. Shewfelt  
– B. Van Diepenbeek

Respectfully submitted,  
Warden J. Bezaire, Acting Chair