



Huron County Council

Minutes - March 5, 2008

Fourth Session

GODERICH, ONTARIO



Huron County Council met in the Council Chambers on the above date at 9:00 a.m.

The Chief Administrative Officer called the roll and all members were present except Councillor B. Dykstra.

Warden J. Bezaire welcomed the members to the Session and the Page, Madeline Yungblut. Councillor M. Demaray introduced Madeline, a Grade 8 student at the Howick Central Public School.

Minutes of the previous Session being February 6, 2008 were adopted as circulated on motion of Councillor D. Johnston and Councillor N. Rintoul.

COUNCILLOR'S ISSUES

Councillor M. Demaray distributed a brochure for the Belmore Maple Syrup Festival, April 10 - 12, 2008. Everyone is welcome to attend.

CORRESPONDENCE

A copy of the Huron Tourism News February - March 2008 and the 19th Annual Tourism Event & Brochure Swap pamphlet were distributed to Council.

A copy of the Huron County Farm Environmental Coalition (HCFEC) Agenda for the April 10, 2008 Meeting at the OMAFRA Meeting Room, Clinton, at 1:30 p.m. and Minutes of the Meeting of April 2, 2007 were distributed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated February 13, 2008 was presented by Councillor B. Dowson, Acting Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, and Don Pletch, County Engineer, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

County Vehicles

Discussion took place regarding a vehicle for the Warden. Support was given for vehicles for SMT but not for the Warden at this time.

Councillor D. Johnston requested an amendment to the original motion to read as follows:

Moved by Councillor D. Johnston

Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon

That Fleet be authorized to proceed with the purchase of five (5) cars for the Senior Management Team and one (1) Crossover for the CAO as approved.

Councillor D. Johnston declared a pecuniary interest and withdrew the amendment based on the fact that he did not have a copy of the tenders received for the vehicles in his Council package in order to declare this earlier.

Councillor B. MacLellan would like the amendment to be brought forward.

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan

Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon

That the resolution be amended to withdraw the vehicle for the Warden and that staff prepare a report on the Warden's vehicle.

Carried

Moved by Councillor B. Dowson
Seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich
That the report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated February 13, 2008 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #10.

Carried

The report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated February 12, 2008 was presented by Councillor J. Grace, Chair. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor J. Grace
Seconded by Councillor M. Scott
That the report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated February 12, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #11.

Carried

The report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated February 14, 2008 was presented by Councillor J. Fergusson, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, and Beth Ross, Director of Cultural Services, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek inquired why the Flea Market is being moved from the Gaol location. Beth Ross answered that the Communities in Bloom and the Goderich BIA inquired about bringing the Flea Market to the Downtown Core. A report dated November 15, 2007 was presented to the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee and endorsed at County Council on November 28, 2007 which states "That the County of Huron cease operating the Flea Market at the Huron Historic Gaol if the Town of Goderich BIA starts one elsewhere in Goderich."

Moved by Councillor J. Fergusson
Seconded by Councillor M. Scott
That the report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated February 14, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #12.

Carried

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated February 19, 2008 was presented by Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer. David Carey, Treasurer, and Darcy Michaud, Director of Human Resources, spoke to the report. The report were dealt with clause by clause.

Clause #11 - Tobacco Program - Provincial Ban on Smoking
In Vehicles where Children are Present

Original Motion:

"Moved by J. Seili
Seconded by J. Fergusson
That the recommendations of the Board of Health be approved. Carried"

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan
Seconded by Councillor M. Demaray
That the Province be requested to investigate the banning of tobacco products.

Motion withdrawn by Councillor MacLellan.

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan
Seconded by Councillor N. Rintoul
That the Province consider increasing the age annually to legally purchase tobacco products.

Motion Defeated

Moved by Councillor B. Siemon
Seconded by Councillor J. Seili
That the report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated February 19, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #13.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor B. MacLellan attended the Warden's Economic Development Task Force meeting in January. He feels the meeting cost \$5,000. and only \$10. value came out of it. The meetings need to be evaluated - information had no purpose - do not know whether they should be continued.

Councillor B. Dowson said there was a lot of good discussion at the meetings but they could be done with Council as a whole. Would like to hear comments from Councillors outside of Committee.

Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development, commented that the Warden's Economic Development Task Force was first formed by Past Warden Rob Morley which allows county councillors and administrators to regularly meet with other stakeholders and business leaders.

Discussion ensued regarding the Task Force meetings. This item will be brought back to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Councillors J. Seili and D. Shewfelt left the Chambers at 11:40 a.m.

MOTION

25-08 Moved by Councillor J. Fergusson, seconded by Councillor D. Kelly,
that a vote of appreciation be extended to Madeline Yungblut, for acting as Page at the Session of Council today.

Carried

BY-LAWS

MOTIONS

26-08 Moved by Councillor N. Vincent, seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek,
that leave be given to introduce the following by-law:
5-08 To authorize execution of an agreement with the Maitland ATV Club.

Carried

27-08 Moved by Councillor B. Siemon, seconded by Councillor M. Scott,
that By-law No. 5, 2008, be given a first and second reading.

Carried

28-08 Moved by Councillor G. Robertson, seconded by Councillor N. Rintoul,
that By-law No. 5, 2008, as read a first and second time, be passed.

Carried

"IN CAMERA"

Moved by Councillor G. Robertson
Seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich
That Council proceed "In Camera" at 11:50 a.m. to discuss a personnel/legal matter
and that Larry Adams, Darcy Michaud, Barb Springall and Don Pletch remain in
attendance.

Carried

Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan
Seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek
That Council rise from "In Camera" at 12:30 p.m.

Carried

Moved by Councillor J. Dietrich
Seconded by Councillor T. Collyer
That staff proceed as directed "In Camera".

Carried

MOTION

29-08 Moved by Councillor B. Dowson, seconded by Councillor N. Vincent,
that County Council do now adjourn at 12:31 p.m. to meet on Wednesday,
April 2, 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