



# Huron County Council Minutes - April 2, 2008

Fifth 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.

Warden J. Bezaire welcomed the members to the Session and the Page, Shelby Ross. Councillor D. Kelly introduced Shelby, a Grade 8 student at the Turnberry Central Public School.

Minutes of the previous Session being March 5, 2008 were adopted as circulated on motion of Councillor B. MacLellan and Councillor B. Siemon.

#### **PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

Warden J. Bezaire welcomed the Past Wardens and Guests to the Session.

Paul Steckle, M.P., Huron-Bruce, and Carol Mitchell, M.P.P., Huron-Bruce, were unable to attend.

Past Warden B. Van Diepenbeek brought greetings from the Past Wardens and introduced the Past Wardens in attendance.

Guests from the following local municipalities were introduced by: Councillor D. Shewfelt - Municipality of Goderich, Councillor M. Demaray - Municipality of Howick, Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek - Municipality of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, Councillor D. Kelly - Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Councillor N. Vincent - Municipality of North Huron.

#### **COUNCILLOR'S ISSUES**

Councillor N. Vincent thanked Council for the e-mails, fruit basket and get well wishes.

Councillor B. Dykstra spoke regarding the Regional Equine & Agricultural Centre of Huron (REACH) training facility. The Centre will function as a "motel for education" under the direction of an appointed Board of Directors. The Centre is located at 169 Beech Street in the Town of Clinton, Municipality of Central Huron. The project is moving forward and the Board is looking for funding opportunities. Councillor Dykstra requested that a proposal be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 15, 2008. They will be researching alternate funding opportunities also as the project did not qualify for any of the infrastructure dollars offered.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee is proceeding with work on a Terms of Reference under the Clean Water Act, 2006, which will set a work plan for Drinking Water Source Protection planning activities within the region. A draft Terms of Reference will be available for the municipalities to preview on Friday, April 4, 2008. Councillors are invited to a comment session on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Ontario Government Building, 100 Don Street, Clinton, following a meeting of the Municipal Subcommittee. This opportunity is unique to municipalities and is in advance of the public comment periods which will occur through the mid-spring and summer.

An invitation has been received from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to attend the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Conference and Trade Show to be held in the Municipality of Collingwood from April 30 - May 2, 2008. This year's Conference theme is "The Changing Ontario Small Urban Municipality" Building a Sustainable Community".

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated March 12, 2008 was presented by Councillor B. Dykstra, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Scott Tousaw, Director, Planning and Development, and Dave Laurie, Acting Director of Public Works, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Clause #12 - Appointment of Area Weed Inspector

The original motion is:

"Moved by J. Dietrich

Seconded by B. Siemon

That the recommendation be approved and the necessary by-law be passed.  
Carried"

The by-law will not be passed at this Session of Council as the by-law needs to be looked at regarding the naming of an Area Weed Inspector.

Moved by Councillor B. Dykstra

Seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich

That the report of the Planning, Agriculture and Public Works Committee dated March 12, 2008 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #14.  
Carried

The report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated March 11, 2008 was presented by Councillor J. Grace, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Marlene Price, Acting Director of the Health Unit, and Dave Overboe, Social Services Administrator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Councillor's Issues - amend to read Crediton/Centralia regarding inspection fees.

Moved by Councillor J. Grace

Seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan

That the report of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee dated March 11, 2008 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #15.  
Carried

The report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated March 13, 2008 was presented by Councillor J. Fergusson, Chair. Larry C. Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Beth Ross, Director of Cultural Services, and Barb Springall, Homes Administrator, spoke to the report. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor J. Fergusson

Seconded by Councillor J. Seili

That the report of the Cultural Services and Seniors Committee dated March 13, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #16.  
Carried

The report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated March 7, 2008 was presented by Councillor D. Kelly, Chair. The report was dealt with clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor D. Kelly

Seconded by Councillor B. Dowson

That the report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated March 7, 2008 be adopted as presented and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #17.  
Carried

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated March 18, 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 was dealt with clause by clause.

Clause #11 - 2008 Draft Budget

Discussion took place regarding the original motion:

**"Moved by B. Siemon**

**Seconded by D. Shewfelt**

**That the 2008 levy increase be set at 5% and the necessary by-law be passed.**

Councillor B. Dykstra requested a Recorded Vote.

RECORDED VOTE

YEAS: Oke, Dykstra, Scott, Van Diepenbeek,  
Robertson, Bezaire, Rintoul, Shewfelt,  
Siemon, Grace, Collyer = 11

NAYS: Johnston, MacLellan, Dowson, Dietrich,  
Kelly, Seili, Fergusson = 7

ABSENT: Demaray, Vincent = 2

**CARRIED"**

Councillor D. Johnston requested a Recorded Vote.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS - Rintoul, Oke, Dykstra, Collyer = 4

NAYS - Van Diepenbeek, MacLellan, Siemon, Dowson, Vincent,  
Demaray, Grace, Bezaire, Scott, Seili, Fergusson,  
Johnston, Dietrich, Shewfelt, Kelly, Robertson = 16  
MOTION DEFEATED

This issue will be brought to the Committee of the Whole on  
April 15, 2008 for discussion.

**"IN CAMERA"**

Discussion took place on the original motion.

"Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by J. Grace

That staff be instructed to proceed as directed "In-Camera" on issue two.  
Carried"

Councillor D. Shewfelt requested a Recorded Vote.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS: Seili, Scott, Siemon, Kelly, Demaray, MacLellan,  
Fergusson, Dietrich, Dowson, Robertson, Bezaire,  
Johnston, Dykstra, Oke, Collyer, Van Diepenbeek = 16

NAYS: Rintoul, Grace, Shewfelt = 3

ABSTAINED: Vincent = 1

Carried

Moved by Councillor D. Kelly  
Seconded by Councillor D. Shewfelt

That the report of the Committee of the Whole Council dated March 18, 2008 be adopted as amended and appear in the printed Minutes as Report #18.

Carried

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Septic Re-inspection Program - The report was distributed to Council and will be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting April 15, 2008.**

**Notice of Motion by Councillor D. Shewfelt for Committee of the Whole on April 15, 2008.**

**That County Administration develop a Procedural Policy on dealing with personnel matters as it pertains to managers as well as non-union employees.**

Councillor B. MacLellan spoke regarding an issue with County Council. He is frustrated with the tone used by fellow Council members. This issue needs to be addressed with more respect used in the Chambers and treat each other professionally. Warden Bezaire addressed Council regarding this issue and that it involves a small number of councillors and not all of Council as a whole.

#### **MOTION**

30-08 Moved by Councillor J. Seili, seconded by Councillor J. Dietrich, that a vote of appreciation be extended to Shelby Ross, for acting as Page at the Session of Council today.

Carried

#### **BY-LAWS**

#### **MOTIONS**

31-08 Moved by Councillor N. Vincent, seconded by Councillor B. Van Diepenbeek, that leave be given to introduce the following by-laws:

6-08 To appoint an Area Weed Inspector. **WITHDRAWN - Will be dealt with at the Agriculture and Public Works Committee on April 8, 2008.**

7-08 To adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes.

8-08 To adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for eligible properties within the meaning of Section 331 (New Construction) for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes.

9-08 To adopt estimates, to establish tax rates for the County and to establish the General County Levy for the year 2008. **WITHDRAWN - Will be dealt with at the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 15, 2008.**

Carried

32-08 Moved by Councillor B. Siemon, seconded by Councillor D. Shewfelt, that By-laws No. 7 - 8, 2008, inclusive, be given a first and second reading.

Carried

33-08 Moved by Councillor J. Seili, seconded by Councillor M. Scott,  
that By-laws No. 7 - 8, 2008, inclusive, as read a first and  
second time, be passed.

Carried

34-08 Moved by Councillor G. Robertson, seconded by Councillor N. Rintoul,  
that By-law No. 5, 2008 and By-laws No. 7 - 8, 2008, inclusive, 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

35-08 Moved by Councillor K. Oke, seconded by Councillor B. MacLellan,  
that By-law No. 5, 2008 and By-laws No. 7 - 8, 2008, inclusive, as  
read a third time, be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk,  
and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

Carried

**"IN CAMERA"**

**Moved by Councillor B. MacLellan  
Seconded by Councillor J. Seili**

**That Council proceed "In Camera" at 11:17 a.m. to discuss legal/personnel matters  
and that Larry C. Adams, CAO, and David Carey, Deputy CAO, remain in attendance.**

**Carried**

**Moved by Councillor D. Johnston  
Seconded by Councillor B. Siemon**

**That Council rise from "In Camera" at 11:47 a.m.**

**Carried**

**MOTION**

36-08 Moved by Councillor B. Dowson, seconded by Councillor M. Demaray,  
that County Council do now adjourn at 11:48 a.m. to meet on Wednesday,  
May 7, 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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COUNTY CLERK