



Huron County Council

Minutes - July 8, 2015

Eighth Session

GODERICH, ONTARIO



**EIGHTH SESSION MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Goderich, Ontario
July 8, 2015

The Council of the County of Huron met in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, July 8, 2015. Warden Paul Gowing called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Warden Gowing welcomed all present to the Eighth Session of 2015.

1. Roll Call:

CAO Brenda Orchard called the roll and all members of Council were present.

2. Warden's Remarks:

Warden Gowing attended the following events: Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference in Winnipeg on June 3-5, 2015, the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives Annual Meeting in Sarnia-Lambton, and Goderich Canada Day events. Councillor Ginn made a presentation at the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives meeting and it is available online.

3. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: #139-15

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept the agenda for July 8, 2015 as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

No declarations of pecuniary interest were stated.

5. Minutes of the Previous Sessions:

MOTION: #140-15

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The minutes of the previous sessions being the Seventh Session of June 3, 2015, the Special Session Bus Tour of June 10, 2015 and the Audit Committee meeting of June 17, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Petitions and Deputations:

6.1 South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN):

Kelly Gillis, Senior Director, System Design & Integration – South West LHIN, Karen Davis, President and CEO – Alexandra Marine and General Hospital, Andrew Williams, President and CEO – Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance, Karl Ellis, President and CEO - Listowel and Wingham Hospital Alliance, Darlene Borland – South Huron Hospital Association and Allan Ball, Vice-Director at Alexandra Marine and General Hospital provided an update on the clinical services planning work that is currently underway. The presentation included an overview, directions, implementation and community impact.

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6.2 Alexandra Marine and General Hospital (AMGH):

Allan Ball, Board Vice-Director and Karen Davis, President and CEO, provided information and a request for a collaborative and strategic partnership.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the request for a collaborative and strategic partnership with Alexandra Marine and General Hospital for information.

DEFEATED

MOTION: #141-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron direct staff to prepare a report with regards to the request for a collaborative and strategic partnership with Alexandra Marine and General Hospital.

CARRIED

6.3 Don Elliott, representing concerned citizens in the Village of Saltford, presented a petition to Council to reduce the posted speed limit from 60 km to 40 km on the Saltford Road within the village limits.

MOTION: #142-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron direct staff to prepare a report with regards to the request to reduce the posted speed limit on Saltford Road.

CARRIED

6.4 Adjacent Agricultural Landowners (AAL) to the proposed G2G Trail:

Larry Plaetzer, Neil Mitchell, Gert Datema, Mary Ellen Gross, Doug McClinchey, Ross Daer, Bert & Susan Buffinga and Ken & Betty Glanville requested that Council review the unaddressed concerns from landowners adjacent to the proposed Goderich to Guelph (G2G) Rail Trail.

MOTION: #142-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron request the G2G Inc. attend a meeting to present an update to County Council on the G2G Trail.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:56 a.m. and resumed at 11:11 a.m.

7. Councillor's Issues:

Councillor Vincent issued an invitation to attend the Radio Control Jets Airshow on July 25 at the Wingham Airport.

Councillor Ginn thanked the Soil and Crop Association and Susanna Reid for assisting in the presentation that he made at the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives Annual Meeting in Sarnia-Lambton.

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8. Correspondence:

Item 8.16 – “South Western Ontario Broadband Plan” from Independent Telecommunications Providers will be considered at Committee of the Whole Day 1 meeting in August.

MOTION: #144-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

Councillor Ginn represent the Council of the County of Huron on July 14, 2015 with OMAFRA representatives to discuss concerns over the future of the building and OMAFRA services provided in Huron County.

CARRIED

MOTION: #145-15

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept correspondence, not specifically dealt with, for information.

CARRIED

MOTION: #146-15

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the request for support from the G2G Rail Trail Inc. for information.

CARRIED

9. Reports of Committees:

9.1 Board of Health – June 4, 2015 meeting minutes: Councillor Hessel, Chair of the Board of Health spoke to the Reports.

MOTION: #147-15

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Van Diepenbeek

THAT:

The Board of Health Reports of June 4, 2015 meeting minutes be received as presented and will appear in the printed minutes as Report No. 30.

CARRIED

9.2 Committee of the Whole Day 1 – June 17, 2015 meeting minutes: Councillor Versteeg, Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 1 spoke to the Reports.

MOTION: #148-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 Reports of June 17, 2015 be approved as presented and will appear in the printed minutes as Report No. 31.

CARRIED

9.3 Committee of the Whole Day 2 – June 17, 2015 meeting minutes: Councillor Morrison, Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 2 spoke to the Reports.

MOTION: #149-15

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Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Frayne

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 2 Reports of June 17, 2015 be adopted as presented and will appear in the printed minutes as Report No. 32.

CARRIED

9.4 Library Board – June 24, 2015 meeting minutes: Councillor Fergusson, Chair of the Library Board spoke to the Reports.

MOTION: #150-15

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

The Library Board Reports of June 24, 2015 be received and will appear in the printed Minutes as Report No. 33.

CARRIED

9.5 Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee – June 22, 2015 meeting minutes: Councillor Frayne, Chair of the Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee spoke to the Reports.

MOTION: #151-15

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee Reports of June 22, 2015 be approved as presented and will appear in the printed minutes as Report No. 34.

CARRIED

10. New/Unfinished Business:

10.1 County of Huron Job Evaluation & Pay Equity Processes: (presented by Jane Anderson)

MOTION: #152-15

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Van Diepenbeek

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the report by Senior Manager of Human Resources Jane Anderson, dated July 8, 2015, entitled "County of Huron Job Evaluation & Pay Equity Processes", as presented for information.

CARRIED

10.2 Consider a Motion of Support from the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus regarding the privatization of Hydro One.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

WHEREAS the public electricity system in Ontario is a critical asset to the economy; and
WHEREAS the public electricity system generates significant revenue for municipal and provincial governments and gives Ontario a competitive advantage; and
WHEREAS Hydro One is a provincial utility; and
WHEREAS local control and decision making is important to meet the needs of our communities and residents; and
WHEREAS local electricity distribution companies provide a source of stable and predictable revenue to our communities; and

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WHEREAS some Ontario municipalities have examined possible sales or mergers of their local distribution companies, and have decided not to sell to Hydro One or the private sector; and

WHEREAS the privatization, partial or whole, of electricity has led to higher rates and less control;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

A. THAT the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC) member counties call on the Provincial Government to:

- Stop the sale of any part of Hydro One, and maintain Hydro One as a wholly public asset for the benefit of all Ontarians;
- Strengthen Hydro One by investing in the next generation of workers and upgrading aging infrastructure;
- Respect the autonomy and local decision-making powers of local distribution companies by not forcing these companies into mergers or sales;

B. THAT the Municipality maintain ownership and control of its local distribution company; and

C. THAT the Provincial Government will negotiate with a Municipality to negotiate the selling of the customers/assets within the municipality's boundary."

D. THAT the WOWC member counties circulate this resolution to the WOWC the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Electricity Distributors Association, and work for its adoption.

DEFEATED

10.3 County Website Renewal: Scott Currie, Communications/Grants Coordinator, and IT staff are working on renewing the County website (www.huroncounty.ca). A consultant (Jonathan Kochis of ResIM) is assisting with assessing the functions and needs of the County site and will be contacting various stakeholders for input.

MOTION: #153-15

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

Councillors Watt, Hessel and Jewitt participate in the website renewal input process.

CARRIED

10.4 Consolidated Financial Statements:

MOTION: #154-15

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the Huron County Consolidated Financial Statements, Homes for the Aged Financial Statements, Museum and Historic Gaol Financial Statements, and the Library Board Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2014, as presented.

CARRIED

10.5 County-wide Shared Service Review facilitated by Gordon McIntosh and Internal Service Review facilitated by Gordon McIntosh:

MOTION: #155-15

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron set the following dates during the week of September 14th, 2015: September 15 (all day) and 16 (afternoon) for the County-wide Internal Service Review facilitated by Gordon McIntosh; and September 17 (all day) and 18 (morning) for

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the Shared Service Review facilitated by Gordon McIntosh.
CARRIED

11. Notice of Motion:

MOTION by: Councillor Steffler
THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron suspend the duties of the HEDP as a committee of Council until the Economic Development Committee Strategic Plan is approved and the relevance of the HEDP can be reviewed by Huron County Council.

12. By-laws:

MOTION: #155-15

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Law:

By-law No. 2015-039; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize the execution of a two year contract agreement with the Ontario Nurses' Association Local 021 – Health Unit

CARRIED

MOTION: #156-15

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Van Diepenbeek

THAT:

By-law No. 2015-039 be given first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2015-039 as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

MOTION: #157-15

Moved by: Councillor Steffler and Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

By-law No. 2015-039 be given a third reading in accordance with Part 13 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2015-039 as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

13. Closed to the Public Session: none.

14. Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:

- Board of Health – Thursday, August 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Seminar Room 2 of the Health & Library Complex, south of Clinton.
- Committee of the Whole Day 1 – Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.
- Committee of the Whole Day 2 – Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.
- Library Board – Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

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15. Confirmatory By-law:

MOTION: #158-15

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

By-law No. 2015-040; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron, be introduced, be given a first, second and third reading in accordance with Part 13 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2015-040; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

16. Adjournment:

MOTION: #159-15

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn the Seventh Session at 12:21 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

The Session closed with the singing of O Canada.

Warden Paul Gowing

Clerk Susan Cronin