



Huron County Council

Minutes - January 14, 2013

Special Session

GODERICH, ONTARIO



SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES HURON COUNTY COUNCIL

Goderich, Ontario
January 14, 2014

Huron County Council met in the Auditorium at the Health and Library Complex, Clinton on Tuesday January 14, 2014.

1. Roll Call by CAO Orchard:

All members of Council were present except Councillor Grace. Councillor Klopp arrived at 10:43 a.m.

2. Warden Steffler called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. stating the purpose of the Special Session:

- To review and consider adopting the 2014 Draft Budget

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations stated.

2014 Draft Budget:

4. Proposal for County Levy Increase - reviewed by John Cummings

MOTION: #28-14

Moved by: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation of staff that the ECM Capital Project (\$250,000.) be fully funded from reserves and \$190,000 of the facilities capital reserves for the 2007 OMPF be pulled from reserves.

CARRIED

5. Refer to Budget During 2013:

5.1 International Plowing Match Loan Request- reviewed by John Cummings

MOTION: #29-14

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

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The Council of Huron County approve a loan of \$30,000. to the Huron County IPM in the 2014 Budget.

CARRIED

AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION WAS MADE:

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg
AND FURTHER THAT:
\$100,000. be set aside for this project.

CARRIED

5.2 PD – Stewardship Coordinator - reviewed by Scott Tousaw

MOTION: #30-14

Moved by: Councillor Van Diepenbeek and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn
THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development that the Stewardship Coordinator position be included in the 2014 Budget.

CARRIED

5.3 PD – Waste Management Coordinator – reviewed by Scott Tousaw

MOTION: #31-14

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

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation of Scott Tousaw, Director of Planning and Development, that the Waste Management Coordinator position NOT be included in the 2014 Budget.

CARRIED

5.4 Warden Clothing Allowance - reviewed by John Cummings

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Robertson and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing
THAT:

The Council of Huron County initiate the spending for the Warden's clothing allowance as detailed in the "Warden Clothing Allowance Report".

DEFEATED

MOTION: #32-14

Moved by: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent
THAT:

A report be prepared regarding the 2015 Huron County Councillor per diem.
CARRIED

6. Follow-up from November 27, December 9 and 11, 2013 Budget Discussions:

6.1 County Laptops - reviewed by John Cummings

MOTION: #33-14

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

The Council of Huron County **accept the report entitled "County Laptop Budget" as presented for information.**

CARRIED

6.2 Financial Impacts of Proposed Non-Union Benefit Changes - reviewed by John Cummings

MOTION: #34-14

Moved by: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor Van Diepenbeek
THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the changes to the Non Union Benefits **as presented in the report entitled "Financial Impacts of Proposed Non-union Benefit Changes".**

CARRIED

6.3 Reserves Balances -reviewed by John Cummings

6.4 Rental Charges - reviewed by Dave Overboe

6.5 Social Services Upload - reviewed by Dave Overboe

6.6 Review of Workplace Safety & Insurance Board (WSIB) Coverage - prepared by Erin Thomson

7. New Items:

7.1 Grant Funding – The current grant policy will be adhered to.

7.2 ES – Capital Carry-Forwards -reviewed by David Lew

MOTION: #35-14

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

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation by David Lew, Chief of Emergency Services, that the unspent capital monies from 2013 be carried forward for use in 2014.

CARRIED

7.3 HA – Capital Carry-Forwards - reviewed by Tracey Seymour

MOTION: #36-14

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation by Tracey Seymour, Environmental Services Manager, that the unspent capital monies from 2013 be carried forward for use in 2014.

CARRIED

7.4 HA – Provincial Clawbacks - reviewed by Barb Springall

MOTION: #37-14

Moved by: Councillor Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor Robertson

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation by Barb Springall, Homes for the Aged Executive Director, that the estimated provincial clawbacks available from 2008 be used to reduce the overall levy requirement.

CARRIED

7.5 HA – WanderGuard - reviewed by Barb Springall

MOTION: #38-14

Moved by: Councillor Dowson and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the recommendation by Barb Springall, Homes for the Aged Executive Director, that funding for the WanderGuard system from 2010 be used within the 2014 Budget.

CARRIED

8. 2014 Budget Review (John Cummings):

8.1 Highlights

8.2 Consolidated Budget

Councillor Ginn requested consideration for a Huron County Forest Management Plan.

MOTION: #39-14

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the use of forest reserve funds to develop and prepare a Forest Management Plan and Schedule with costs not to exceed \$20,000 and proceeds to go back into reserves.

CARRIED

CAO Orchard and Warden Steffler stated that they would be attending the WOWC on January 16-17, 2014. Support for the Broadband project was discussed.

MOTION: #40-14

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Shewfelt

THAT:

The Council of Huron County support the WOWC Broadband Project with interim monthly amounts of \$750 for consulting fees.

AND FURTHER THAT:

\$25,000 be set aside in the 2014 Budget for this project.

CARRIED

8.3 Capital Programs

8.4 Reserves

Budget Target

MOTION: #41-14

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Robertson

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approve the use of surplus and reserve funds to set the 2014 Huron County levy increase to 1.5%.

CARRIED

9. Confirmatory By-law:

MOTION: #42-14

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

By-law No. 2014-15; 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 7 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 25, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2014-15; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

10. Adjournment:

MOTION: #43-14

Moved by: Councillor Dowson and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn the Special Session at 12:05 p.m.; to meet again on Wednesday January 15, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.; or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

Warden Joe Steffler

Clerk Susan Cronin