

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DAY 1 – MEETING MINUTES**

Goderich, Ontario
December 13, 2017

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 13th day of December 2017.

1. Call to Order:

All members of Council were present. Councillor MacLellan arrived at 9:15 a.m. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

2. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 1 for 2018:

Warden Jim Ginn requested a Motion to nominate a Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 1 for 2018.

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Frayne and Seconded By: Councillor Donnelly

THAT:

Councillor Vincent be nominated as the Chair of the Committee of the Whole Day 1 for 2018.

CARRIED

Warden Jim Ginn turned the Committee of the Whole Day 1 meeting over to the newly elected Chair.

Chair Vincent requested a Motion to nominate a Vice-Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 1 for 2018.

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

Councillor Gowing be nominated as the Vice-Chair for the Committee of the Whole Day 1 for 2018.

CARRIED

3. Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded By: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 Agenda for December 13, 2017 be accepted and all reports included in the Agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

No declarations of pecuniary interest were stated.

5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:

5.1 East Wawanosh 150th Anniversary Committee:

Sylvia Nonkes-Verbury and Linda Logan thanked Council for the Huron Heritage Grant received for the East Wawanosh history book “A Snippet in Time”.

6. Councillor’s Issues:

Warden Ginn requested members consider approving a special session of Council in January for review of the 2018 Budget.

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron hold a special session of Council for consideration of the 2018 Budget in County Council Chambers on January 31, 2018.

CARRIED

7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.6:

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may require discussion but no action on the part of Council. Consent Agenda items are received in one motion. Council members may request that one or more items be removed for further action.

7.1 Delegated Consents under the Planning Act: (prepared by Senga Smith)

The authority to grant undisputed consents is delegated to the Director of Planning under By-law No. 2017-051 The report lists the applications which received provisional consent approval since the last report. County Council is notified for information and appeal purposes only.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Senga Smith, Land Division Secretary, that no objections be lodged further to the Delegated Consents submitted with the report of December 13, 2017, be approved.

7.2 Zoning By-laws: (prepared by Sandra Weber)

Zoning By-laws and amendments are circulated to the County from local municipalities. These by-laws are reviewed for conformity with the County Official Plan and with the local Official Plan. The By-laws are listed in the report.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

THAT:

The recommendation of Sandra Weber, Director of Planning, that no objections be lodged to the Zoning By-laws submitted with the report of December 13, 2017, be approved.

7.2 Forest Conservation: Notices of Intent Under the Tree By-law: (prepared by Dave Pullen)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Receive for information.

7.4 Museum and Gaol Update: (prepared by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: Receive for information.

7.5 Cultural Planning and Community Development Update: (prepared by Rick Sickinger)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Receive for information.

7.6 Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including November 24, 2017 will be reviewed.

| DEPARTMENT PROGRAM | ACCOUNT |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Planning | 62,598.59 |
| Museum/Gaol | 15,494.00 |
| Council | 461,73 |
| Corporate | 2,183,616.82 |

Financial statements for the period ending October 31, 2017 will be reviewed.

| DEPARTMENT PROGRAM | REVENUE | | EXPENDITURES | | COUNTY CONTRIBUTION | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | YTD Actual | YTD Budget |
| Planning | 278,382 | 196,650 | 1,805,818 | 2,010,400 | 1,527,436 | 1,813,750 |
| IT and GIS | 304,486 | 334,830 | 1,507,781 | 1,755,070 | 1,203,295 | 1,420,240 |
| Museum/Gaol | 181,993 | 257,540 | 1,154,824 | 1,407,360 | 972,831 | 1,149,820 |
| Huron Heritage | - | - | (13,132) | 26,060 | (13,132) | 26,060 |
| Council | 772 | - | 328,230 | 472,660 | 327,458 | 472,660 |
| Corporate | 36,446,722 | 36,736,200 | 4,439,533 | 4,453,110 | (32,007,189) | (32,283,090) |

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including November 24, 2017 and the financial statements as of October 31, 2017 be received.

Consent Agenda

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded By: Councillor Cole

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.6 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

8. Planning and Development:

8.1 Planning and Development Consents under the Planning Act (9:00):

The authority to grant or refuse to grant consents is delegated to the Committee of the Whole under By-law 2017-051. Decisions become effective upon a carried motion of the Committee of the Whole. County Council is notified for information and appeal purposes only.

8.1 a) File B72/17 – Cedarwood Fur Farms Ltd (Owner), Eric Chuter (Applicant), Part Lot 15, Concession 6 (Stanley), Municipality of Bluewater: (presented by Craig Metzger)

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The purpose of this application is to sever a surplus farm residence from the remainder of the farmland. The land to be severed is approximately 1.4 ha (3.5 acres) and contains a house. The land to be retained is approximately 19.2 ha (47.4 acres) and contains a house, driving shed, workshop and two former barns. The Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority does not support the application since it proposes to sever a natural hazard area (the area susceptible to flooding from the creek). The application does not conform to the Bluewater Official Plan due to the age of the house. It is recommended that the application be deferred for an amendment to the Bluewater Official Plan. The Municipality of Bluewater Council recommends that the application be approved with conditions. Mr. Chuter was in attendance and spoke in favour of the application.

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 approves Consent application B72/17 by Eric Chuter requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land described as Part Lot 15, Concession 6 (Stanley), Municipality of Bluewater, with conditions

CARRIED

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

For Consent Application B72/17 by Eric Chuter requesting separation and conveyance of a parcel of land described as Part Lot 15, Concession 6 (Stanley), Municipality of Bluewater no public concerns were received on this application so there was no effect on the decision. Comments were received from agencies and were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of the Committee to approve the application.

CARRIED

8.2 Official Plan Amendment No. 9 to the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry Official Plan, Canadian Crane (Applicant), Lisa and Sheldon Baker (Owners), Plan 410 Lots 279-281, Lot 301, Part Lots 282 and 300, Parts of Augusta St, Patrick St and the Lane. Plan 427 Lot 43 and Part Lot 42, Part Herbert St., Turnberry Ward, in the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, County of Huron: (presented by Jennifer Burns)

The purpose of this Official Plan Amendment is to recognize the long term use of the property as industrial and allow for the construction of an additional storage bay and driving sheds. The main access to the property is proposed to be switched from Potter St to a reopened lane connecting to Helena St at the south end of the property. The property is proposed to be redesignated in the Morris-Turnberry Official Plan from Residential and Floodway to Industrial and Flood Fringe. There is a corresponding Zoning Amendment application. This is a disputed Official Plan Amendment because a letter of objection has been received from a neighbouring property owner. The Municipality of Morris-Turnberry adopted the Official Plan Amendment and forwarded it to the County for approval.

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation of Jennifer Burns, Planner, that Official Plan Amendment No. 9 to the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry Official Plan be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The notice of decision be circulated.

CARRIED

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Moved By: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded By: Councillor Watt

THAT:

For the Official Plan Amendment No. 9 to the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry Official Plan, concerns raised through public comments were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application, and supportive agency comments received resulted in a decision to approve the application.

CARRIED

8.3 County Participation in the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority – Carbon Footprint Initiative: (presented by Rachel White)

An update on the County Conservation Demand Management Plan was presented at the August 2, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting. Following the presentation, a motion was made by Council requesting a report from staff on the option of the County joining the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority Carbon Footprint Initiative. There are several projects the County is currently implementing that align with the Carbon Footprint Initiative goals and it is recommended that the County participate in the initiative, subject to available staff resources and budget.

Moved By: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded By: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation of Rachel White, Stewardship Co-ordinator, that the County participate in the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority - Carbon Footprint Initiative for energy conservation projects, subject to available staff resources and budget.

CARRIED

8.4 Forest Conservation Update: (prepared by Dave Pullen)

The report provides an update of 2017 harvest activity and improvements in the county forests and the related economics of wood utilization in the IPM County Showcase. In relation to the Forest Conservation By-law, an update on county-wide commercial harvest activity and two persistent legal cases is provided.

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 receives the report by Forest Conservation Officer, Dave Pullen, dated December 13, 2017, titled Forest Conservation Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

9. Cultural Services:

9.1 Review of Huron Heritage Fund Applications – November 2017 Intake: (presented by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

Moved By: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded By: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 receives the report by Senior Curator Elizabeth French-Gibson, dated December 13, 2017, titled Review of Huron Heritage Fund Applications – November 2017 Intake, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

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The Committee of the Whole Day 1 accepts the recommendation of the Huron Heritage Fund Committee to approve the three applications included in the report for funding from the 2017 applications, for a total amount of \$14,750.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:49 a.m. and resumed at 10:58 a.m.

10. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

10.1 2017 International Plowing Match County Showcase – Final Report: (presented by Jenna Ujiye)

MOTION:

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

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 receives the report by Jenna Ujiye, 2017 IPM Huron County Showcase Coordinator, dated December 13, 2017, titled 2017 International Plowing Match County Showcase – Final Report, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

All proceeds received from the sale of the forestry products be transferred to the forestry reserve fund, in supporting the continuation of sustainable forestry in Huron County.

CARRIED

10.2 Bill 68 – Modernizing Ontario’s Municipal Act: (presented by Susan Cronin)

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Watt and Seconded By: Councillor Donnelly

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by County Clerk Susan Cronin, dated December 13, 2017, titled Bill 68 – Modernizing Ontario’s Municipal Act, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Council directs staff to proceed with the approval process for the draft Procedural By-law as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Council directs staff to proceed with investigation of any new requirements.

CARRIED

11. Correspondence:

MOTION:

Moved By: Warden Ginn and Seconded By: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Committee of the Whole Day 1 accepts correspondence not specifically dealt with, for information.

CARRIED

12. Closed to the Public Session:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

The Committee do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 11:32 a.m. under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

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1. Labour relations or employee negotiations – EMS CUPE 4513;
2. Labour relations or employee negotiations – Ontario Nurses Association (ONA) Contract Negotiations – Health Unit;
3. Labour relations or employee negotiations – Contract Negotiations;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Acting CAO Meighan Wark (Items 1, 2 & 3), Director of Human Resources Lara Vanstone (Items 1, 2 & 3), Senior Manager of Human Resources, Jane Anderson (Items 1, 2 & 3), Clerk Susan Cronin (Items 1, 2 & 3), Steve Lund, Director of Operations (Item 1) and Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services (Item 1), remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Warden Ginn

THAT:

The Committee rise from the Closed to the Public Session at 12:03 p.m.

- Reporting Out

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Frayne

THAT:

The Council of Huron County approves the Collective Agreement with the County of Huron Health Unit ONA as negotiated on May 17, May 29, June 13, October 2 and October 26, 2017;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A special session of Council be held on December 20, 2017 authorizing the Warden, Clerk, CAO, Director of Human Resources and Senior Manager of Human Resources to sign and execute the agreement with Huron Health Unit ONA on behalf of the County of Huron.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Gowing and Seconded By: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Council of Huron County directs staff to proceed as per direction given in the Closed to the Public Session of December 13, 2017.

CARRIED

13. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of Committee of the Whole Day 1 will be in Goderich on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

14. Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved By: Councillor Hessel and Seconded By: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The meeting adjourn at 12:06 p.m.

CARRIED

Councillor Neil Vincent

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Clerk Susan Cronin