

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

Goderich, Ontario  
October 17, 2018

The Council of the County of Huron met in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

**1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.** All members were present except Councillors Jewitt and MacLellan.

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: #165-18

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the agenda for October 17, 2018 as presented.

CARRIED

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

Councillor Donnelly stated a pecuniary interest regarding item 13.3 as son-in-law is a partner with Aird & Berlis Law Firm and Item 18.2 as documents showed pecuniary interest with son and Provincial Offices.

**4. Minutes of the Previous Sessions:**

MOTION: #166-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The minutes of the previous sessions being the Tenth Session of October 3, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. Delegations/Petitions/Deputations:**

**5.1. Donation to Huron County Public Access Defibrillator Program**

Sierra Lamb, Relationship Management Associate with Farm Credit Canada presented a donation to the County of Huron to be used towards the replacement of Public Access Defibrillators within Huron County.

**5.2. Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre**

Mary Ellen Zielman provided Council with the results from the Ontario Trillium Foundation Seed Grant regarding food insecurity in Huron County and will provide information on Tracking, Assessing and Improving the Distribution of Food Aid in Rural Huron County.

MOTION: #167-18

Moved by: Councillor Steffler and Seconded by: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron consider increasing financial support for the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre to \$66,000 during the 2019 Budget discussions.

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5.3. Menesetung Bridge Association, Maitland Trail Association, G2G Rail Trail Experience

Mike Dawson, representing the Menesetung Bridge Association, the Maitland Trail Association and the Goderich to Guelph Rail Trail Committee requested a funding partnership for an engineering study on the erosion taking place north of the Menesetung Bridge.

MOTION: #168-18

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron defer the request for financial support in the amount of \$3,000 to the 2019 Budget discussion for the Menesetung Bridge Association, Maitland Trail Association and the G2G Rail Trail Committee for an engineering study on the erosion taking place north of the Menesetung Bridge.

CARRIED

**6. Councillor's Issues:**

Councillor Steffler invited members to the Armistice Celebration on November 4, 2018 at the Seaforth Cenotaph followed by a banquet. On November 11, 2018 at 5:15 PM all churches have been asked to ring their bells 100 times to signify the end of World War 1.

Councillor Cole requested information on the County's cannabis policy. This policy was approved on October 3, 2018 and would be available to local municipalities.

Councillor Hessel requested information from the planning department regarding changes due to Cannabis legislation. Staff stated that they are doing research but are waiting for further direction from the province.

**7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.9:**

MOTION: #169-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.9 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

**8. Social and Property Services:**

8.1. Children's Services Cross Jurisdictional Agreement (prepared by Cheryl Patience)

MOTION: #170-18

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cheryl Patience, Manager, Ontario Works and Children's Services, dated October 17, 2018, titled Cross Jurisdictional Agreement for Child Care and Delegate Certain Power of Authority as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute this Cross Jurisdictional Agreement and future Cross Jurisdictional Agreements with other Ontario municipalities.

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8.2. Children's Services Expansion Plan funds (prepared by Cheryl Patience)

MOTION: #171-18

Moved by: Councillor Steffler and Seconded by: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cheryl Patience, Manager of Ontario Works and Children's Services, dated October 17, 2018, titled Children's Services Expansion Plan Funds as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the distribution of the Provincial Expansion Funding to the licensed child care centres providing care to 0-4 year old children, within the County of Huron.

CARRIED

**9. Homes for the Aged:**

9.1. Project No. 1735.00 (Allan Avis Architects) Sprinkler System Upgrades at Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Aged (prepared by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #172-18

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged titled Project No. 1735.00 (Allan Avis Architects) Sprinkler System Upgrades at Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Aged, dated October 17, 2018, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and the Clerk to execute the contract and any other required documentation with Western Fire Protection Inc., for Project No. 1735.00 (Allan Avis Architects) Sprinkler System Upgrades for both Huronlea and Huronview Homes for the Aged.

CARRIED

**10. Emergency Services:**

10.1. Ambulance Accident Update (prepared by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION: #173-18

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Donnelly

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report from Jeff Horseman, Chief of Emergency Services dated October 17, 2018 titled Ambulance Accident Update as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the reallocation of \$45,622 plus GST from the Emergency Services reserves Budget for the power load and power stretcher for the replacement vehicle for 1068.

CARRIED

**11. Public Works:**

11.1. Ontario Highway Maintenance Standards Update (prepared by Mike Hausser)

MOTION: #174-18

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

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The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Mike Hausser, Manager of Public Works, dated October 17, 2018 titled Ontario Highway Maintenance Standards Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**12. Economic Development Department:**

12.1. Budget Reallocation regarding Starter Company Plus (prepared by Cody Joudry)

MOTION: #175-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Cody Joudry, Director of Economic Development dated October 17, 2018 titled Budget Reallocation regarding Starting Company Plus as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the reallocation of funds of up to \$25,000 from anticipated 2018 Economic Development Budget surplus towards the Starter Company Plus grant portion of the program.

CARRIED

**13. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:**

13.1. 2019 Early Procurement (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

MOTION: #176-18

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled 2019 Early Procurement, dated October 17, 2018 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron approves that Public Works, Homes for the Aged and Social and Property Services be authorized to procure up to 80% of their 2018 capital budgets prior to the 2019 Budget approval.

CARRIED

13.2. 2019 Borrowing By-Law (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

MOTION: #177-18

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled 2019 Borrowing By-Law, dated October 17, 2018 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron approves that a by-law be prepared to authorize the County of Huron to borrow up to the amount of \$4,000,000 to meet current expenditures for the Municipality in 2019.

CARRIED

13.3. Integrity Commissioner, Closed Meeting Investigator and Municipal Ombudsman, County of Huron (presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #178-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

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THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron appoint Aird and Berlis LLP as Integrity Commissioner for the municipality having the functions as set out in s. 223.3(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 until February 29, 2019;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Aird and Berlis LLP shall continue as Integrity Commissioner as of March 1, 2019 having the expanded functions as set out in s. 223.3(1) as amended by the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Aird and Berlis LLP be appointed as Closed Meeting Investigator and Municipal Ombudsman for the Corporation of the County of Huron.

CARRIED

**13.4. Completion of Exterior Elevations, 3D Perspective, Conceptual Design Package and Cost Estimate (prepared by Meighan Wark)**

MOTION: #179-18

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report from CAO Meighan Wark titled Completion of Exterior Elevations, 3D Perspective, Conceptual Design Package and Cost Estimate as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the allocation of \$30,060 from the anticipated 2018 surplus budget for the completion of the work by Allan Avis Architects required to determine Exterior Elevations, 3D perspectives, conceptual design package and Cost Estimate for the consolidated County Office Building at the Victoria School Property in Goderich.

CARRIED

**14. Correspondence:**

MOTION: #180-18

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

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

CARRIED

**15. New/Unfinished Business:**

In the interest of being accountable and transparent, where a member of Council or staff would like to present an item of business in this section, it is recommended that they contact the Chief Administrative Officer in advance so that the item can be placed on the published agenda.

**16. Notice of Motion: None.**

**17. By-laws:**

MOTION: #181-18

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Donnelly

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Law:

By-law No. 2018-074; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Team Truck Centres, Freightliner for Contract HC 18-172.

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MOTION: #182-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

By-law No. 2018-074 be given first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2018-074 as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

MOTION: #183-18

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

THAT:

By-law No. No. 2018-074 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. No. 2018-074 as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

**18. Closed to the Public Session:**

MOTION: #184-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

County Council do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 9:56 AM under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

1. Information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them - Funding;
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees;

AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Meighan Wark (Items 1 & 2), Clerk Susan Cronin (Item 1), Treasurer Michael Blumhagen (Item 1) and Cody Joudry, Director of Economic (Item 1) Development remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION: #185-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

County Council rise from the Closed to the Public Session at 10:30 AM.

CARRIED

- Reporting out of Closed Session – CAO provided an update on a funding application and person matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees.

**19. Confirmatory By-law:**

MOTION: #186-18

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

By-Law No. 2018-075; 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

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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. 2018-075; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

**20. Adjournment:**

MOTION: #187-18

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

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn the Ninth Session at 10:33 AM to meet again on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

The Session closed with the singing of O Canada.

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Warden Jim Ginn

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Clerk Susan Cronin