# TWELFTH SESSION MINUTES COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON

Goderich, Ontario November 7, 2018

The Council of the County of Huron met in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 7, 2018.

1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. All members were present.

### 2. Warden's Remarks:

Warden Ginn welcomed everyone. He informed members that he attended the following: R2R Conference, Goderich Lions Meeting, and Sewage Packaging Plant Tour. He thanked everyone for making the Warden's Banquet a special event. He thanked everyone for their service on Municipal Council and wished them good luck in their next endeavors. Warden Ginn announced that he was putting his name forward to be considered for the position of Warden for the 2019-2020 term. Warden Ginn recognized Remembrance Day.

## 3. Approval of Agenda:

Warden Ginn stated that there was an addition to the agenda under section 6 – Vicki Lass, Economic Development and Strategic Planning Advisor for Ontario Ministry of Food and Rural Affairs.

MOTION: #188-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the agenda for November 7, 2018 as amended.

CARRIED

## 4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

No declarations of pecuniary interest were stated.

## 5. Minutes of the Previous Sessions:

MOTION: #189-18

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting being the Eleventh Session of October 17, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

## 6. Delegations/Petitions/Deputations:

Vicki Lass, Economic Development and Strategic Planning Advisor for Ontario Ministry of Food and Rural Affairs, thanked the Council for their service over the past four years. She wished everyone good luck and stated she looked forward to working with the next Council.

## 7. Councillor's Issues:

Councillor Fergusson stated his intention to run for the position of Warden for the 2019-2020 term.

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Councillor Steffler reminded members that church bells will be sounded 100 times on Sunday November 11, 2018 at 5:05 PM to recognize the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the First World War.

Councillor Frayne reminded members that the Huron Manufacturers Association Awards of Excellence Gala is Thursday November 15, 2018 in Brussels.

Councillor MacLellan thanked Council members and staff for a great four years.

## 8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8:8:

MOTION: #190-18

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Frayne

THAT:

Items 8.1 through 8.8 be approved with the actions as noted.

**CARRIED** 

## 9. Planning and Development:

9.1. Consent Application C61-2018, John and Michelle Wilson, Part Lot 9, Concession 1 Huron Road Survey with ROW and easement, Tuckersmith and Seaforth Wards, Municipality of Huron East (Presented by Denise Van Amersfoort, Senior Planner)

This application is a lot addition severance. The retained lands will merge with a residential parcel located at 71 Gouinlock Street in Seaforth. The application conforms to the Huron East and Huron County Official Plans and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014. A neighbour has submitted a letter of concern in regards to further urbanization of the flood plain. The Municipality of Huron East has recommended that the application be approved with conditions. The Planning Department recommends approval with conditions.

MOTION: #191-18

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation by Denise Van Amersfoort, Senior Planner, that Consent application C61-2018 by John and Michelle Wilson requesting the severance of a parcel of land for agricultural use, described as Part Lot 9, Conc 1 Huron Road Survey with ROW and easement, Tuckersmith and Seaforth Wards, Municipality of Huron East, be approved with conditions.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #192-18

Moved by: Councillor Steffler and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

Consent application C61-2018, John and Michelle Wilson, Part Lot 9, Concession 1 Huron Road Survey with ROW and easement, Tuckersmith and Seaforth Wards, Municipality of Huron East. Public comments were received on the issue of further urbanization of the floodplain. Comments were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application. Agency comments received were addressed through conditions of approval.

**CARRIED** 

9.2. File C48-2018 - Helen and Leon Coolman (Owners), Part Lot 6, North Boundary East Concession, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron (Presented by Sarah Smith)

This application proposes to sever a parcel of land approximately 2 acres (0.8ha) for a future non-farm related residential use. The proposed area to be severed is approximately 190

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feet by 469 feet of treed/grassed land. The retained parcel is approximately 45 acres (18.2ha) and includes an existing dwelling, accessory structure and bush land. The application does not conform to the South Huron and Huron County Official Plans and is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement. The Municipality of South Huron has recommended that the application be denied. The Department is recommending the application be denied.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation by Sarah Smith, Planner, that Consent application C48-2018 by Helen and Leon Coolman requesting severance of a parcel of land for residential purposes, described as Part Lot 6, North Boundary East Concession, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron, be denied.

## **WITHDRAWN**

MOTION: #193-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Frayne

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron defers the Consent application C48-2018 by Helen and Leon Coolman requesting severance of a parcel of land for residential purposes, described as Part Lot 6, North Boundary East Concession, Stephen Ward, Municipality of South Huron, pending a report on the neighbouring landfill site and the direction of flow of the aquifer.

**CARRIED** 

9.3. Consent File C60-18, Arnold Egli (Arma Farms), Concession 10, Lot 9, Morris, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry (Presented by Jenn Burns)

This application proposes to sever a vacant non-farm related residential parcel to construct a house in an Agricultural designation. The proposed residential lot is 2.5 acres and the vacant retained farmland is 118 acres. The applicant is in the process of building a foundation for a house within the proposed severed parcel. A severance is not required for the applicant to build a house, as the current farm parcel meets the minimum size for a house to be built as of right. The applicant wishes to sell the farmland to his son but retain ownership of the proposed severed area, where he intends to build the residence. This application is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, and does not conform with the Huron County Official Plan and the Morris-Turnberry Official Plan. It is recommended by the Planning Department that this consent application be denied. Morris-Turnberry Council recommended approval of the application at their October 16, 2018 Council meeting.

MOTION: #194-18

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves Consent Application C60-18 by Arnold Egli on behalf of Arma Farms requesting the severance of a residential parcel in a prime agricultural area, described as Concession 10, Lot 9, Morris, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry with conditions.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #195-18

Moved by: Councillor Vincent and Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

THAT:

Consent File C60-18, Arnold Egli (Arma Farms), Concession 10, Lot 9, Morris, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry. No public Comments were received on this application so there was no

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effect on the decision. Comments were received from agencies identifying that the application does not conform to the Official Plan. Comments were thoroughly considered but did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application.

CARRIED

9.4. Consent File C63-18, Tim & Brenda Bunker, Lots 29 & 30, Concession 8, Township of Howick (Presented by Jenn Burns)

This application proposes to sever an existing residence, shop and storage shed from the remainder of the farmland. Under current policies, the subject residence is not deemed to be surplus to the current owner. The applicant does not have another farm with a house and does not intend to sell the farmland to another farmer who would qualify the subject house as surplus. The applicant plans to sell the retained farmland to their son, who currently has a house in town and does not own any other farms with houses. The proposed application is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and does not conform to the Huron County Official Plan and the Howick Official Plan. The subject residence is not surplus to an area farmer and the Planning Department recommends the application be denied. The Township of Howick Council has recommended approval of the application with conditions.

MOTION: #196-18

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves Consent Application C63-18 by Tim and Brenda Bunker requesting to sever a farmhouse and outbuildings from the remainder of the farm, described as Lots 29 & 30, Concession 8, Township of Howick, with conditions.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #197-18

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

Consent File C63-18, Tim & Brenda Bunker, Lots 29 & 30, Concession 8, Township of Howick. No public comments were received on this application so there was no effect on the decision. Comments were received from agencies identifying that the application does not conform to the Official Plan. Comments were thoroughly considered but did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application.

CARRIED

9.5. Consent File C65-18, David & Isaac Martin (David & Leah Martin), Concession 16, Lot 4 & 5, Township of Howick (Presented by Jenn Burns)

This application proposes to create a new farm lot to result in two separate farms that will allow for the construction of a house and storage shed on the severed parcel. The proposed severed parcel is approximately 24 ha (60 acres) in size with an existing barn on the property. The proposed retained parcel is approximately 26 ha (65 acres) in size with an existing dwelling, barn, and sheds existing on the property. The application is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and does not conform to the Huron County Official Plan and the Howick Official Plan because the proposed farm parcels do not meet the required minimum lot sizes. The Planning Department recommends the application be denied. The Council for the Township of Howick recommended approval of the application at their October 16, 2018 Council Meeting with conditions.

MOTION: #198-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

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The Council of the County of Huron approve Consent application C65-18 by David & Isaac Martin for David & Leah Martin, to create two separate farms on the subject property described as Concession 16, Lot 4 & 5, Township of Howick, with conditions.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #199-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

Consent Application C65-18 by David & Isaac Martin for David & Leah Martin, to create two separate farms on the subject property described as Concession 16, Lot 4 & 5, Township of Howick. Public comments were received in support of the application, the effect of which resulted in a decision to approve the application. Comments were received from agencies identifying that the application does not conform to the Official Plan. Comments were thoroughly considered but did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application.

**CARRIED** 

9.6. Howick Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Five Year Review) (Presented by Jennifer Burns and Denise Van Amersfoort)

The purpose of Official Plan Amendment No. 14 is to incorporate revisions to the land use plan for the Township of Howick determined necessary through the Five Year Review process. The Official Plan Five Year Review was completed in accordance with the requirements of Section 17 and Section 26 of the Planning Act.

MOTION: #200-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the recommendation of Jennifer Burns, Planner, and Denise Van Amersfoort, Senior Planner, that the Township of Howick Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Five Year Review) as adopted by the Council of the Township of Howick, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The notice of decision be circulated.

**CARRIED** 

9.7. AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Properties and the Keeping of Livestock (Presented by Sandra Weber)

A section of the local municipal by-laws appears to be in conflict with the Nutrient Management Act. Municipal Zoning By-laws across the County currently limit the number of livestock on properties zoned AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding). The report provides background information and outlines an option for addressing this issue.

MOTION: #201-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Sandra Weber, Director of Planning and Development, titled AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Properties and the Keeping of Livestock dated October 25th, 2018, for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The report be circulated to the local municipalities for information.

**CARRIED** 

## 10. Cultural Services:

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10.1. Huron County Museum Takeover Day (Presented by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

MOTION: #202-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report and invitation by the S.O.A.R Students, dated November 7, 2018, titled Huron County Museum Takeover Day as presented for information.

**CARRIED** 

## 11. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

11.1. Updating Fees By-law (Presented by Susan Cronin)

MOTION: #203-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Gowing

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated November 7, 2018 titled Updating Fees By-law;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared with the proposed amendments and considered at Council on November 21, 2018.

**CARRIED** 

11.2. Strategic Priorities Chart - Updated October 2018 (Presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #204-18

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Cole

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO Meighan Wark, titled Strategic Priorities Chart - Updated October 2018, as presented for information.

**CARRIED** 

11.3. One-Third Tax Exemption (Presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #205-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Steffler

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron adjust the 2019 budget forecast to maintain the same net pay of the elected members of Huron County Council, effective January 2019; AND FURTHER THAT:

The remuneration by-law be prepared for approval at the November 21, 2018 Council Day 2 meeting.

**CARRIED** 

11.4. Donations to Huron County Christmas Bureau (Presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #206-18

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The report titled Donations to the Huron County Christmas Bureau be received for information purposes;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Huron County Council and senior staff coordinate donations to the Huron County Christmas Bureau for the 2018 Christmas season.

**CARRIED** 

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#### 12. Correspondence:

MOTION: #207-18

Moved by: Councillor Frayne and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

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

CARRIED

New/Unfinished Business: None. 13.

14. Notice of Motion: None.

15. By-laws:

MOTION: #208-18

Moved by: Councillor Gowing and Seconded by: Councillor Hessel

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2018-076; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a cross jurisdictional agreement for the provision of child care services.

By-law No. 2018-077; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Western Fire Protection Inc. for Project No. 1735.00.

By-law No. 2018-078; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Council of the County of Huron (the "Municipality").

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #209-18

Moved by: Councillor Morrison and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

By-law No. 2018-076, 2018-077 and 2018-078 be given first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2018-076, 2018-077 and 2018-078 as read a first and second time, be passed.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION: #210-18

Moved by: Councillor Versteeg and Seconded by: Councillor Cole

THAT:

By-law No. No. 2018-076, 2018-077 and 2018-078 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. 2018-076, 2018-077 and 2018-078 as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

**CARRIED** 

#### 16. Closed to the Public Session: None.

#### 17. **Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:**

- Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee Monday, November 5, 2018 at 9:30 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.
- Board of Health Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 9:00 AM in Seminar Room 2 of the Health and Library Complex, south of Clinton.

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- Library Board Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.
- Huron County Economic Development Board Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 5:00 PM, Howick Community Centre Auditorium, 45088 Harriston Road, Gorrie, Ontario.
- Council Day 2 Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Councillor Versteeg announced that this was his last meeting. He thanked Council and staff for all their dedication and hard work. He wished everyone good luck in their next endeavor.

## 18. Confirmatory By-law:

MOTION: #211-18

Moved by: Councillor Donnelly and Seconded by: Councillor Vincent

THAT:

By-law No. 2018-079; 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. 2018-079; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

## 19. Adjournment:

MOTION: #212-18

Moved by: Councillor Hessel and Seconded by: Councillor Versteeg

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn the Twelfth Session at 12:11 PM to meet again on Wednesday, November 21, 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.

Warden Jim Ginn

Clerk Susan Cronin