

**MINUTES  
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Goderich, Ontario  
September 4, 2019

The Council of the County of Huron met in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, September 4, 2019. All members of Council were present except Councillor Grace.

**1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.**

**2. Warden's Remarks:**

Warden Ginn informed members that he attended many events and festivals throughout July and August. The Huron County Plowing Match in Howick was very successful. The Warden's Golf Tournament was successful in raising money for the Alexandra Marine & General Hospital Foundation in support of Mental Health. He attended the funding announcement to bring high-speed internet service to more rural and remote communities. Warden Ginn stated that Western Ontario Warden Caucus had several delegations at Association of Municipalities of Ontario Conference on transportation connectivity, infrastructure, long-term care funding, economic development and broadband.

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: #379-19

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council Day 1 agenda for September 4, 2019 be accepted and all reports included in the agenda be received as presented.

CARRIED

**4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

No disclosure of pecuniary interest was stated.

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

MOTION: #380-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting being the Council Day 2 meeting of August 14, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**6. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:**

**6.1. Bruce Power**

David Abbott, Director of Indigenous Relations provided an update on behalf of Bruce Power.

**6.2. Homelessness in South Huron (presented by Heather MacKechnie and Ang Cullen)**

Heather MacKechnie, representing agencies and churches currently working to support individuals experiencing homelessness, and Ang Cullen, representing the Canadian Mental

Health Association requested Council open conversation regarding potential solutions to the lack of affordable housing and homelessness issues in South Huron.

6.3. Homelessness in South Huron (presented by Andrea Loohuizen)

Andrea Loohuizen representing Noah's Ark and the Community Table Project requested Council open a conversation about the issues of affordable housing and homelessness in our community.

MOTION: #381-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Bailey

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare a report to outline services offered in South Huron and costs associated with operating a year round emergency shelter.

CARRIED

**7. Councillor's Issues:**

Councillor MacLellan thanked members of Council for their support at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario delegation with Minister Clark.

**8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8.8:**

MOTION: #382-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

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

CARRIED

**9. Planning and Development:**

9.1. Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) (presented by Lily Hamlin)

MOTION: #383-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report of Lily Hamlin, Climate Change and Energy Specialist dated September 4, 2019 titled Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs Lily Hamlin, Climate Change and Energy Specialist to proceed with the submission of a proposal for the Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) funding.

CARRIED

9.2. Planning and Development Department Overview (presented by Sandra Weber)

MOTION: #384-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report by Sandra Weber, Director, Planning and Development Department, dated September 4th, 2019 titled Planning and Development Department Overview, as presented for information.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:34 AM and resumed at 10:42 AM.

**10. Cultural Services:** None.

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

11.1. South West Ontario Ortho-imagery Project (SWOOP 2020) (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

MOTION: #385-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled South West Ontario Ortho-imagery Project (SWOOP 2020), dated Sept 4, 2019 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves Huron County's involvement in the 2020 Program to continue its participation in the cost saving provincial initiative.

CARRIED

11.2. Strategic Priorities Chart - Updated August 2019 (presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #386-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO, Meighan Wark, dated September 4, 2019, titled Strategic Priorities - Updated August 2019, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**12. Correspondence:**

MOTION: #387-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Bailey

THAT:

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

CARRIED

**13. 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.

13.1. Clinton Urban Reconstruction (presented by Mike Hausser)

MOTION: #388-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Mike Hausser, Manager of Public Works, dated September 4, 2019, titled Clinton Urban Reconstruction as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron re-allocates the funds associated with Capital Project RD84-20-ZUR CR 84 Urban Road Reconstruction (\$310,000) to a new project RD04-21-CLI CR4 Urban Road Reconstruction (\$310,000), subject to approval by the Council of Central Huron;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to re-budget urban renewal projects in Hensall and Zurich in collaboration with Bluewater staff in future budgets, subject to approval by the Council of Bluewater;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare an RFP in collaboration with Central Huron Staff for the design of road, sidewalk, water, sanitary, and storm sewer works on County Road 4 from Highway 8 northerly to Beech Street, targeting construction to begin in the spring of 2021, subject to approval by the Council of Central Huron.

**CARRIED**

13.2. Highway Coarse Bulk Salt Procurement 2019-2020 (presented by Steve Lund)

MOTION: #389-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Steve Lund, County Engineer, dated September 4, 2019 titled Highway Coarse Bulk Salt Procurement 2019-2020 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron contracts for the supply of Highway Coarse Bulk Salt (approximately 14,000 tonnes at a price of \$64/tonne) with Compass Minerals Canada Corporation for the 2019-2020 winter maintenance season;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the required documents.

**CARRIED**

13.3. Increase Market Housing Potential Initiatives (presented by Cody Joudry, Sandra Weber, and Barbara Hall)

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor Klopp

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Chris Watson, Economic Development Officer, dated September 3, 2019, titled Increase Market Housing Potential Initiatives, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron adopts the definitions of market housing and attainable housing as outlined in this report;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to proceed with actions outlined in initiatives two (2) through eight (8) as outlined in this report.

**WITHDRAWN**

MOTION: #390-19

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Chris Watson, Economic Development Officer, dated September 3, 2019, titled Increase Market Housing Potential Initiatives, as presented for information.

**CARRIED**

13.4. Draft Business Development Coaching System (presented by Alex Ripley)

MOTION: #391-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

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THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cody Joudry, Director of Economic Development, dated September 3, 2019 titled Draft Business Development Coaching System, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**14. Notice of Motion:** None.

**15. By-laws:**

MOTION: #392-19

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2019-062 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into an agreement with The Minister of Government and Consumer Services;

By-law No. 2019-063 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with John Elligsen Electric for RFT (HPS) 2019-04 for electrical equipment upgrade and installation of standby generator;

By-law No. 2019-064 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into an investment plan with The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

By-law No. 2019-065 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a paramedic service equipment sharing memorandum of agreement with the Corporation of the County of Bruce;

By-law No. 2019-066 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to permit all-terrain vehicles (off-road vehicles) on the shoulder of municipal roads;

By-law No. 2019-067 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Compass Minerals Canada Corporation for HC 19-54 the supply and delivery of alternative non-liquid de-icer material;

By-law No. 2019-068 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to execute a contract agreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees' Local 1305 Health Unit;

By-law No. 2019-069 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Compass Minerals Canada Corporation for the supply of highway coarse bulk salt.

CARRIED

MOTION: #393-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Bailey

THAT:

By-law No. 2019-062, 2019-063, 2019-064, 2019-065, 2019-066, 2019-067, 2019-068 and 2019-069 be given first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2019-062, 2019-063, 2019-064, 2019-065, 2019-066, 2019-067, 2019-068 and 2019-069 as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

MOTION: #394-19

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

By-law No. 2019-062, 2019-063, 2019-064, 2019-065, 2019-066, 2019-067, 2019-068 and 2019-069 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. 2019-062, 2019-063, 2019-064, 2019-065, 2019-066, 2019-067, 2019-068 and 2019-069 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:**

MOTION: #395-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Bailey

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 12:34 PM under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees - Health Unit Amalgamation;

AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Meighan Wark, Clerk Susan Cronin, Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, and Lara Vanstone, Director of Human Resources, remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION: #396-19

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron rise from the Closed to the Public Session at 12:42 PM.

CARRIED

Reporting out of Closed Session: CAO Wark stated that Council received information on the Health Unit Amalgamation.

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

Board of Health - Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 9:00 AM in Seminar Room 2 of the Health and Library Complex, south of Clinton.

Library Board - Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Huron County Health Unit Auditorium, Jacob Memorial Building, 77722D London Road, Clinton.

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 5:00 PM in the Howick Community Centre Auditorium, 45088 Harriston Road, Gorrie.

Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee - Monday, September 16, 2019 at 10:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

**18. Confirmatory By-law:**

MOTION: #397-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

By-Law No. 2019-070; 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. 2019-070; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

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CARRIED

**19. Adjournment:**

MOTION: #398-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 12:43 PM to meet again on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 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