

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Goderich, Ontario
December 4, 2019

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

1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

2. Warden's Remarks:

Warden Ginn informed members that he attended the Huron Manufacturing Association Awards night, the Bruce Power recognition of businesses event and meetings regarding the Huron and Perth Health Units amalgamation. He also informed members that the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) is advancing the site selection process for a deep geological repository for Canada's used nuclear fuel which includes sites near Huron County. Councillor Bailey stated that North Huron has been involved in discussions regarding the sites on the selection list.

3. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: #535-19

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council Day 1 agenda for December 4, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

There were no declarations stated.

5. Minutes of the Previous Sessions:

MOTION: #536-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting being Council Day 2 on November 20, 2019, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations: None.

7. Councillor's Issues:

Councillor MacLellan requested information on home and community day care programs.

MOTION: #537-19

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare a report on the payment policy during absences of children registered at the home and community day care programs funded through the County of Huron.

CARRIED

8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8.8:

MOTION: #538-19

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

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

CARRIED

9. Planning and Development:

9.1. File 40T1200001 - Douglas Cerson (agent) on behalf of Kenneth Tan Chee Kaiang and Co-owners, Lots 5 & 6, Concession 1, Wingham Ward, Township of North Huron (presented by Monica Walker-Bolton)

This 464 unit phased subdivision in the Wingham Ward, Township of North Huron received draft approval with conditions by the County of Huron on July 2, 2014. In 2017, A2A Development Inc. requested an extension of draft approval, which was granted by the County for a 2-year draft plan extension with the addition of a condition that Phase 1 of the subdivision be registered within the extension period. In June of 2019 a further extension was granted for a period of 6 months. The applicant is requesting a further extension of the draft plan approval, which lapses January 2, 2020. North Huron Council considered the implications of a further extension to this draft plan approval and is recommending that the draft plan approval be extended for 1 year from the date of expiry to further advance the progress on fulfilling draft conditions. The Department has no objection to the 1 year extension as recommended by the Township. In addition, the condition of draft plan approval setting a date when Phase 1 of the Plan must be registered, be modified to reflect the new expiry date of January 2, 2021.

MOTION: #539-19

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves a 1 year extension to draft plan approval for File 40T1200001 until January 2, 2021 along with the following minor change to the conditions:

1. Phase 1 of the Plan must be registered by January 2, 2021.

CARRIED

10. Cultural Services:

10.1. Huron Heritage Fund Applications November 2019 (presented by Beth Rumble)

MOTION: #540-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Beth Rumble, Director of Cultural Services, dated December 4, 2019, titled Huron Heritage Fund Applications November 2019 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report and recommendation of the Huron Heritage Fund Committee, to grant the included one application for funding from the 2019 applications, for a total amount of \$3,100.

Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce - \$3,100

CARRIED

11. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

11.1. 911 Primary Public Safety Answering Point PPSAP RFP Award (presented by Nicole Bean)

MOTION: #541-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Nicole Bean, dated December 4, 2019, titled 911 Primary Public Safety Answering Point RFP Award, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the County of Huron's Primary Public Safety Answering Point RFP Award to Northern Communication Services Inc. (a.k.a) Northern911 for the next (3) years with a possibility of two additional one year extensions;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare a by-law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the agreement and any other documents with Northern Communications Services Inc. for the Primary Public Safety Answering Point Program.

CARRIED

11.2. 2020 Annual Accessibility Plan and Multi Year Plan (presented by Susan Cronin)

MOTION: #542-19

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Carol Leeming, Accessibility Coordinator and Susan Cronin, County Clerk dated December 4, 2019, titled 2020 Annual and Multi year Accessibility Plans;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the 2020 Annual Accessibility Plan and 2020 Multi year Update for the County of Huron as required under the AODA;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A copy be posted on the Huron County website as directed in the Integrated Accessibility Standard under the AODA and forwarded to all municipalities in Huron County.

CARRIED

11.3. Finance Review Committee – Action Items (presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #543-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO Meighan Wark, dated December 4, 2019, titled Finance Review Committee - Action Items, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to complete action items outlined in the report.

CARRIED

11.4. Strategic Priorities Chart - Updated November 2019 (presented by Meighan Wark)

MOTION: #544-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

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

CARRIED

12. Correspondence:

MOTION: #545-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

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.

14. Notice of Motion:

MOTION: #546-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to investigate and prepare a report on the Ontario Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding including allocations by area and calculation of funding across the province.

CARRIED

15. By-laws:

MOTION: #547-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Klopp

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2019-089 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to amend the Procedural By-law of the Council of the County of Huron;

By-law No. 2019-090 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to establish User Fees and Service Charges;

By-law No. 2019-091 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize the execution of a renewal agreement with the Corporation of the Municipality of Central Huron;

By-law No. 2019-092 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a Boundary Road Agreement with the Corporation of the County of Perth;

By-law No. 2019-093 being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Wayne and Harold Smith Construction Ltd. for Contract RFT (OPHI) 2019-01.

CARRIED

MOTION: #548-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

By-law No. 2019-089, 2019-090, 2019-091, 2019-092 and 2019-093 be given first and second reading;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2019-089, 2019-090, 2019-091, 2019-092 and 2019-093 as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

MOTION: #549-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

By-law No. 2019-089, 2019-090, 2019-091, 2019-092 and 2019-093 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. 2019-089, 2019-090, 2019-091, 2019-092 and 2019-093 as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

15.2. Appointment of the Striking Committee

MOTION: #550-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The 2019 Striking Committee consisting of Warden Ginn, Past Warden MacLellan, Councillor Jewitt and CAO Meighan Wark be approved.

CARRIED

The 2019 Striking Committee adjourned to CAO Wark's office to consider appointments to the Huron Perth Public Health Board.

Council recessed at 9:48 AM and resumed at 10:06 AM.

MOTION: #551-19

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Report of the Striking Committee dated December 4, 2019 be adopted as presented:

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron direct staff to prepare a by-law for consideration at the December 18, 2019 Council meeting appointing the following members of Council to the Huron Perth Public Health Board effective January 1, 2020:

Dave Jewitt

Jim Fergusson

Bernie MacLellan

Myles Murdoch

CARRIED

16. Closed to the Public Session:

MOTION: #552-19

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 10:08 AM under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

1. Labour relations or employee negotiations – Ontario Works;
2. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board - Health and Library Complex

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AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Meighan Wark (items 1 and 2), Clerk Susan Cronin (items 1 and 2), Lara Vanstone, Director of Human Resources (item 1), Barbara Hall, Director of Social & Property Services (items 1 and 2), Sandra Weber, Director of Planning and Development (item 2), Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer & Director of Corporate Services (items 1 and 2), and Solicitor Greg Stewart (Item 1 and 2), remain in attendance.

CARRIED

MOTION: #553-19

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 11:28 PM.

CARRIED

Reporting out of Closed Session: CAO Wark stated that members of Council were updated on personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees – Ontario Works and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board – Health and Library Complex.

MOTION: #554-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to proceed as per direction given in Closed to the Public Session of November 6, 2019.

CARRIED

17. Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:

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

Library Board - Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 5:00 PM in North Huron - Cowbell, 40035 Blyth Road, Blyth.

Audit Committee - Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, December 18, 2019 immediately following the Audit Committee meeting of 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

18. Confirmatory By-law:

MOTION: #555-19

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

By-Law No. 2019-094; 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. 2019-094; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

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19. Adjournment:

MOTION: #556-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 11:30 AM to meet again on Wednesday, December 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.

Warden Jim Ginn

Clerk Susan Cronin