

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
HURON COUNTY COUNCIL**

Goderich, Ontario
March 23, 2020

Huron County Council met in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich on Thursday, January 23, 2020. All members of Council were present. Warden Ginn and Councillors Dietrich and Murdock were present. All other members of Council and CAO Wark participated electronically.

1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 1:07 PM.

2. Warden Ginn stated the purpose of the Special Session:

- To consider Amendments to the Procedural By-law, Delegation of Authority By-law and receive updates on the COVID 19 Pandemic.

Warden Ginn updated members of Council on COVID-19 Pandemic. Staff have been working tirelessly and are doing an amazing job. There is an information overload coming from many sources.

CAO Wark updated members on the major decisions made in response to COVID-19. County Facilities such as libraries and the museum have been closed. Core services are still being offered. Daycares were closed based on mandates from the province but have since been requested to open for children of front line health care providers. Economic Development staff are creating strategies for small business, manufacturing and tourism. A citizen inquiry line is being setup for families of patients in the Homes. Regular meetings are being held with Local Municipalities, the Emergency Management Committee, Senior Management, Western Ontario Wardens Caucus, etc. A work from home with remote access strategy is being implemented for all staff that can do so. A redeployment strategy is also being developed. There are 4 members of staff seconded to the Communications Team. Council will be continued to be advised as soon as updates are available. Staff will organize meetings with the County and CAOs and Heads of all nine lower tiers in Huron County.

3. Approval of the Agenda:

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Special Council meeting agenda for March 23, 2020 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

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

There were no declarations stated.

5. Order of Business:

5.1 Amendment to the Procedural By-law-Electronic Participation (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk dated March 23, 2020 titled Amendment to the Procedural By-law - Electronic Participation as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron considers approving the Amended Procedural By-law.

CARRIED

5.2 Delegation of Authority By-law (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk dated March 23, 2020 titled Delegation of Authority By-law as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron considers approving the Delegation of Authority By-law.

CARRIED

5.3 By-laws

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2020-024, 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. 2020-025, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to delegate the authority for certain acts;

By-law No. 2020-026, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Lavis Contracting Co. Limited Tender HC 20-303;

By-law No. 2020-027, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into an agreement with YMCA of Southwestern Ontario;

By-law No. 2020-028, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Team Truck Centres of Sarnia for HC 20-201 - Tandem Plow Trucks;

By-law No. 2020-029, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with BM Ross and Associates Limited for Professional Services for Clinton Urban Reconstruction RFP 19-302;

By-law No. 2020-030, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Green Stream Lawn and Vegetation Management Inc. for RFP 20-701;

By-law No. 2020-031, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with Cubex Ltd. for RFP 2020-1202 - Spray Patcher.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

By-law No. 2020-024, 2020-025, 2020-026, 2020-027, 2020-028, 2020-029 2020-030 and 2020-031 be given a first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2020-024, 2020-025, 2020-026, 2020-027, 2020-028, 2020-029, 2020-030 and 2020-031, as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

By-law No. 2020-024, 2020-025, 2020-026, 2020-027, 2020-028, 2020-029, 2020-030 and 2020-031, 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. 2020-024, 2020-025, 2020-026, 2020-027, 2020-028, 2020-029, 2020-030 and 2020-031, as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

6. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

By-law No. 2020-032; 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. 2020-032; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

7. Adjournment:

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn the Special Meeting at 1:35 PM; to meet again on Wednesday April 1, 2020 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

Warden Jim Ginn

Clerk Susan Cronin