

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

VIRTUAL
October 7, 2020

The Council of the County of Huron met virtually due on Wednesday, October 7, 2020. All members of Council were present. Councillor Fergusson joined the meeting at 9:24 AM.

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

2. Warden's Remarks:

Warden Ginn stated that things are changing rapidly. He attended the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) Board meeting as Chair of the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC). Central Huron is investigating how municipalities control licensed cannabis operations in Huron County. There are weekly meetings with Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technology (SWIFT) and negotiations between SWIFT and the province continue. He participated in the Lake Huron Centre for Coastal Conservation conference as well as Finance Committee meetings. He received emails from a large business owner in Huron Perth and a masters student entering into the medical field offering their services on Homelessness initiatives.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Warden Ginn stated that there were two amendments to the agenda:

- Item 9.1 Consent File C 51-2020 remains on the agenda but is an undisputed application that requires no action from Council; and
- Addition of agenda item 11.9 Huron Perth Public Health Request for Support to Enter into Lease Agreement.

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council Day 1 agenda for October 7, 2020 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

There were no declarations stated.

5. Minutes of the Previous Session:

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting on September 16, 2020 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations: None

7. Councillor's Issues: None

Councillor McNeil has received comments from the parent of a high acuity homeless person supporting Huron County's Homelessness Task Force commitment and initiatives of communal living and wrap around services.

8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8.7:

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

Items 8.1 through 8.7 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

9. Planning and Development:

9.1. Consent File C51-2020, Derrick & Brandi Leenders (applicant) for John & Sueann Rasenberg, Lot 16, Concession 4, Usborne Ward, Municipality of South Huron (presented by Craig Metzger)

The purpose of this application is to sever an existing surplus farm house. The severance policies require the amount of land included with the house to be minimized. The application conforms to the South Huron and Huron County Official Plans and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 provided the depth of the severed parcel is reduced so as to not include any existing cropped land. The application wishes the rear of the severed parcel to remain at 25 feet into the field, as applied for. A condition is recommended that would limit the depth of the severed parcel to the edge of the field. The Municipality of South Huron has recommended that the application be approved with conditions and the Planning and Development Department recommends the application be approved with conditions.

Consent File C51-2020 was no longer a Disputed Consent requiring a decision by Huron County Council. The applicant provided written correspondence dated October 4th, 2020 that they were in agreement with the recommendation and conditions as outlined in the planning report. The application proceeded as an Undisputed Consent and signed by the Director of Planning and Development, as set out in the County Consent Delegation Bylaw 71-2018.

9.2. Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan (presented by Lily Morrow)

Sandra Weber, Director of Planning and Development stated that Huron County was one of the first municipalities to receive a grant from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to support the development of a Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan (CCCAP). The Huron County model has been used by other municipalities as a framework. She thanked Lily Morrow, staff and the Communication Team for their work on the CCCAP.

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report of Lily Morrow, Climate Change and Energy Specialist, dated October 7, 2020, titled Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan, 2020-2025;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan, 2020-2025 be posted on the Huron County website.

CARRIED

9.3. Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy (presented by Lily Morrow)

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

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The Council of the County of Huron receives the report of Lily Morrow, Climate Change and Energy Specialist, dated October 7, 2020 titled Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy be posted on the Huron County website.

CARRIED

9.4. AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Properties and the Keeping of Livestock (presented by Sandra Weber and Denise Van Amersfoort). Follow-up Report on AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Properties and the Keeping of Livestock.

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Denise Van Amersfoort, Senior Planner and Sandra Weber, Director of Planning and Development, dated October 7, 2020, titled AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Properties and the Keeping of Livestock, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to update the AG4 (Agricultural Small Holding) Zone in local Municipal Zoning By-laws by removing the provision limiting the number of livestock, in accordance with the Provincial Nutrient Management Act and Regulations.

CARRIED

10. Cultural Services: None.

11. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

11.1. Human Resources Information System (HRIS) RFP update (as presented by Lara Vanstone, Director of Human Resources),

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Lara Vanstone, Director of Human Resources, dated October 7, 2020, titled Human Resources Information System (HRIS) RFP update as presented for information.

CARRIED

11.2. Rescind Previous Motion (presented by Connie Townsend and Susan Cronin, County Clerk)

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron rescind the following motion approved at the August 12, 2020 Council meeting:

"The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Angela Hartin, Director of Care-Huronview and Dana Mellor, Acting Director of Care-Huronlea, dated August 12, 2020, titled Request for Sole Sourcing for the Purchase of Resident Ceiling Lifts, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the Homes for the Aged to sole source the purchase of resident ceiling lifts from vendor Hil Rom (Likoral)."

CARRIED

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11.3. 2020-2021 Huron County Council Calendar - Notice of Meetings (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated October 7, 2020, titled 2020-2021 Huron County Council Calendar - Notice of Meetings, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The 2020-2021 Huron County Council Calendar be approved as presented.

CARRIED

11.4. Amendments to the Procedural By-law/Council Proxy Voting Policy (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated October 7, 2020, titled Amendment to the Procedural By-law/Council Proxy Voting Policy as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs the County Clerk to not include the proposed amendments in Procedural By-law 2020-053 to allow for Proxy voting as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron does not approve the Council Proxy Voting Policy as presented.

CARRIED

11.5. Inaugural Session/Warden's Election Process (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated October 7, 2020, titled Inaugural Session/Warden's Election Process as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs the County Clerk to include the proposed amendments in the Procedural By-law 2020-053 for the Inaugural Session/Warden's Election Process as presented.

CARRIED

11.6. AODA Website Compliance Extension Request (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports the request from the Huron County Accessibility Working Group to support the AODA Website Compliance Extension Request as passed by the Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg.

CARRIED

11.7. Strategic Priorities List - By-law/Policy Review (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated October 7, 2020, titled Strategic Priorities List-By-law/Policy review for information.

CARRIED

11.8. Strategic Priorities Chart - September 2020 (presented by Meighan Wark)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO, Meighan Wark, dated October 7, 2020, titled Strategic Priorities - September 2020, as presented for information.

CARRIED

11.9 Huron Perth Public Health Request for Support to Enter into Lease Agreement (presented by Meighan Wark)

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Meighan Wark, CAO dated October 7, 2020 titled Huron Perth Public Health Request for Support to Enter into Lease Agreement as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the request by the Huron Perth Public Health Unit to enter into a lease agreement and relocate to the building located at 135 Wallace Avenue N., Listowel, Ontario.

CARRIED

12. Correspondence:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Klopp

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs public works staff to prepare a report for Council on options to address the issue of Correspondence item 12.6 received from Cecile Muller regarding the placement of traffic speed limit sign.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

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: None

15. By-laws:

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2020-061, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into Contract HC20-54 with Cargill Salt (Division of Cargill Ltd.) for supply and delivery of alternative non-liquid de-icing material;

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By-law No. 2020-062, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into a contract with MIG Engineering Ltd. for engineering services for rehabilitation of Summerhill Bridge and replacement of culverts RFP HC 20-503.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

By-law No. 2020-061 and 2020-062, be given a first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2020-061 and 2020-062, as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

By-law No. 2020-061 and 2020-062, be given a third reading in accordance with Part 14 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2020-061 and 2020-062, 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:

As per the County's COVID-19 response protocols, all Council and Committee meetings are being held virtually.

Huron County Library Board - Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting.

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 5:00 PM - Virtual Meeting.

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 2020 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting.

18. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

By-Law No. 2020-063, 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 14 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2020-063, 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:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 11:05 AM to meet again on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

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Warden Jim Ginn

Clerk Susan Cronin