

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Virtual
September 15, 2021

The Council of the County of Huron met virtually on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. All members of Council were present.

1. Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 10:13 AM.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council Day 2 agenda for September 15, 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

There were no declarations stated.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting September 1, 2021 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations: None.

6. Councillor's Issues:

Councillor Ginn provided an update on the Soil and Crop Improvement Association Open House held at the Huronview Demonstration Farm. Councillor Ginn will have Clerk Cronin distribute the latest study report from the Crop consultants to members of Council.

7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.4:

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.4 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

8. Social and Property Services:

8.1 Homelessness – Road Mapping (presented by Christine Hoffman)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Christine Hoffman, Manager, Housing Services, dated September 15, 2021, titled Homelessness - Road Mapping, as presented for information.

CARRIED

8.2 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Ontario Transfer Payment Amending Agreement and Investment Plan (presented by Christine Hoffman)

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Christine Hoffman, Manager, Housing Services, dated September 15, 2021, titled Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Ontario Transfer Payment Amending Agreement and Investment Plan as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron authorizes the submission of the Investment Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and the Clerk to execute the Investment Plan and the Ontario Transfer Payment Amending Agreement for the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative funding and all other required documents of the COCHI program.

CARRIED

9. Homes for the Aged: None.

10. Emergency Services:

10.1 2022 Land Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan (presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated September 15, 2021, titled 2022 Land Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to set the 2022 Land Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan targets to remain the same as those set in the 2021 Land Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan.

CARRIED

10.2 Brussels Paramedic Post Expansion (presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated September 15, 2021, titled Brussels Paramedic Post Expansion, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the Municipality of Huron East proceeding with accessing conceptual site plans for the expansion of the Brussels Fire Hall to include Paramedic vehicle bays and associated crew quarters;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare a report with the conceptual site plans and construction cost estimates for Council's consideration prior to proceeding with this project.

CARRIED

11. Public Works:

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11.1 RFP HC 21-504 – Engineering Design Services for the Rehabilitation of Zetland and Forester’s Bridges (presented by Cameron Harper)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cameron Harper, Manager of Public Works, dated September 15, 2021, titled Recommendation to Award RFP HC 21-504 Engineering Services for the Rehabilitation of Zetland and Forester’s Bridges in Huron County, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron awards Contract HC 21-504 to B.M. Ross & Associates Limited for a price of \$121,094.40 including provisional site inspection and contract administration (*Including Net Applicable Taxes*);

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and any other required documentation for Contract HC 21-504.

CARRIED

12. Economic Development:

12.1 Economic Development Department August 2021 Update (presented by Cody Joudry)

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Reanne Clark, Office Administrator, dated September 15, 2021, titled Economic Development Department August 2021 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

12.2 Economic Development Department July 2021 Update (presented by Cody Joudry)

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Reanne Clark, Office Administrator, dated September 15, 2021, titled Economic Development Department July 2021 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

13. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

13.1 June 2021 Year-to-Date Financial Reporting (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled June 2021 Year-to-Date Financial Reporting, dated September 15, 2021, as presented for information.

CARRIED

13.2 Cash Holding and Investment Portfolio (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

Moved by: Councillor Finch Seconded by: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

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The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled Cash Holding and Investment Portfolio, dated September 15, 2021 as presented for information.
CARRIED

14. Correspondence

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

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

CARRIED

15. 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.

16. Notice of Motion: None.

17. By-laws:

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2021-065, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to appoint a Director of Cultural Services and confirm the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer of the Huron County Library Board;

By-law No. 2021-066, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to enter into an Amending Agreement and Supporting an Investment Plan with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

By-law No. 2021-065 and 2021-066, be given a first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2021-065 and 2021-066, as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

By-law No. 2021-065 and 2021-066, 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. 2021-065 and 2021-066, as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

18. Closed to the Public Session: None.

19. Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:

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

Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee - Monday, September 20, 2021 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Huron County Library Board - Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 5:00 PM - Virtual Meeting

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

20. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

By-Law No. 2021-067, 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. 2021-067; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

21. Adjournment:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 11:13 AM to meet again on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

Warden Glen McNeil

Clerk Susan Cronin