

**MINUTES  
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Virtual  
January 19, 2022

The Council of the County of Huron met virtually on Wednesday, January 19, 2022. All members of Council were present. Councillor MacLellan joined at 9:03 AM. Councillor Ginn joined at 9:22 AM

**1. Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM.**

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council Day 2 agenda for January 19, 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

There were no declarations stated.

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting on January 5, 2022 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:**

5.1 Huron Perth Public Health Unit 2022 Draft Budget (presented by Julie Pauli and Dr. Miriam Klassen). The Warden thanked Medical Officer of Health for Huron Perth, Dr. Miriam Klassen for her leadership during the pandemic.

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the presentation by Julie Pauli, Director of Corporate Services at Huron Perth Public Health Unit, dated January 19, 2022, titled Huron Perth Public Health 2022 Draft Budget, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**6. Councillor's Issues:**

Councillor Ginn brought forth the following request after agenda item 19.

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron request an update report on the progress of the installation of broadband connectivity within Huron County.

CARRIED

**7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.5:**

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County and North Huron staff will review the Land Acknowledgement statements for accuracy.

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.5 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

**8. Social and Property Services:**

8.1 Disaster Response Agreement with the Canadian Red Cross Society - Extension (presented by Barbara Hall)

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Barbara Hall, Director, Social and Property Services, dated January 19, 2022, titled Disaster Response Agreement with the Canadian Red Cross Society - Extension, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the Disaster Response Agreement - Extension with the Canadian Red Cross Society and any other required documents.

CARRIED

**9. Homes for the Aged:**

**10. Emergency Services:**

10.1 Sole Source Purchase 2022 Ambulances (presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated January 19, 2022, titled Sole Source Purchase 2022 Ambulances, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the purchase of two (2) 2022 GM Ambulances from Demers Ambulances of Beloeil Quebec for the quoted price of \$344,366.02 (including HST) and included will be the Stryker power stretcher / power load system for an additional price of \$124,859.52 (including HST);

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted delegating the authority to the Director of Operations and/or the Chief Emergency Services to execute all required documents for the purchase of these ambulances with Demers Ambulance of Beloeil, Quebec.

CARRIED

**11. Public Works: None.**

**12. Economic Development:**

12.1 Economic Development Department December 2021 Update (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Reanne Clark, Office

Administrator, dated January 19, 2021, titled Economic Development Department December 2021 Update, as presented for information.  
CARRIED

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

13.1 Bruce County Letter and Resolution Report re: South Bruce Grey Health Centre Nursing Shortages (presented by Meighan Wark)

Moved by: Councillor Grace and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by CAO Meighan Wark, dated January 19, 2022, titled Bruce County Letter and Resolution Report re: South Bruce Grey Health Centre Nursing Shortages, as presented for information.

CARRIED

13.2 2022 Draft County of Huron Budget Presentations

- Overview (presented by Michael Blumhagen)
- Social and Property Services (presented by Barbara Hall)
- Emergency Services (presented by Steve Lund)
- Public Works (presented by Steve Lund)
- Homes for the Aged (presented by Angela Steadman)
- Economic Development (Vicki Lass)
- Summary (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The County of Huron receives the 2022 Draft County of Huron Budget Presentations, dated January 19, 2022, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**14. Correspondence**

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports item 14.4 Listowel Wingham Hospitals Alliance (LWHA) re: Ontario Health – MRI Proposals and item 14.5 Alexandra Marine & General Hospital (AMGH) and the South Huron Hospital Association (SHHA) re: Letter of Support from Huron County for MRI unit in Goderich.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports item 14.2 Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) congratulating Huron County employee Robbie McClure for his recent Associate Road Supervisor certification, with a letter of congratulation from County Council.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Grace and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

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

CARRIED

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Council recessed at 11:19 AM and resumed at 11:26 AM.

**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.

15.1 Municipal Climate Resiliency Grant Application (presented by Lily Morrow)

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report of Lily Morrow, Climate Change and Energy Specialist, dated January 19, 2022, titled Municipal Climate Resiliency Grant Application, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs Lily Morrow, Climate Change and Energy Specialist to proceed with an application for the Municipal Climate Resiliency Grant;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted delegating the authority to the Warden and Clerk to execute the funding agreement and any other required documents for the Municipal Climate Resiliency Grant, if successful.

CARRIED

**16. Notice of Motion:**

The following Notice of Motion was presented at the January 5, 2022 meeting:

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron request staff to prepare a report to amend the "County of Huron Code of Conduct For Members of Council & Local Boards" regarding the definition of "Immediate Relative" as follows:

"immediate relative" means a Member's spouse, parent (including step-parent and legal guardian), child (including step-child), grandchild, sibling, ~~aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, first cousin~~, and in-law (including mother- and father-in-law, sister- and brother-in-law, daughter- and son-in-law);

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron request staff to prepare a report to amend the "County of Huron Code of Conduct For Members of Council & Local Boards" regarding the definition of "Immediate Relative" as follows:

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CARRIED

**17. By-laws:**

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

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By-law No. 2022-005, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron authorizing the execution of an Extension Contribution Agreement with the Canadian Red Cross Society.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Ginn and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

By-law No. 2022-005, be given a first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2022-005, as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

By-law No. 2022-005, 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. 2022-005, 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:**

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

Special Council Leadership, Training and Coaching Session - Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 9:00 AM – Virtual Meeting

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Special Session - Council Budget - Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 5:00 PM - Virtual Meeting

**20. Confirmatory By-law:**

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

By-Law No. 2022-006, 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. 2022-006, 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

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The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 11:42 AM to meet again on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

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Warden Glen McNeil

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Clerk Susan Cronin