

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Hybrid
June 22, 2022

The Council of the County of Huron met virtually on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. All were present except Councillor Murdock. Councillor Ginn departed at 9:51 AM. Councillor Bailey departed at 11:38 PM. Councillor Grace departed at 10:58 AM. Councillor Klopp departed at 11:27 AM.

1. Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

Warden McNeil stated that June 21, 2022 was National Indigenous Peoples Day. It is a day for Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples.

Warden McNeil attended the Goderich Mayor's lunch, the Brussels Lions Club 75th anniversary celebration and three civics classes at St. Anne's Catholic School, providing information on municipal government. He represented the County of Huron at the Calhoun Super Structure 30th anniversary celebration in Goderich. He also attended the picnic to celebrate the Town of Goderich and Huron County vaccination clinic volunteers.

Warden McNeil encouraged Huron County Council and staff to attend the Warden's Employee & Municipal Partner Appreciation Event on July 7, 2022.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Warden McNeil stated that there was an amendment to the agenda.

- Agenda Item 8.2 Huron County Coordinated Access Program

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council Day 2 agenda for June 22, 2022 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

Councillor Fisher declared a pecuniary interest for agenda item 12.3 SLED Funding Program 2022 Grant Recipients, as he sits on Huron East BIA that is a recommended recipient of SLED (Supporting Local Economic Development) grants.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting of June 8, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:

5.1 Queen of the Furrow

Maranda Klaver, spoke of her activities during the past year as Huron County Queen of the Furrow. She invited Council to attend the Huron County Ploughing Match on August

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18-19, 2022 at Brian and Annette MacKenzie's, 85399 St. Helen's Line in Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, co-hosted by Warden Glen McNeil. She also invited members to attend the International Plowing match in Grenville County, Kemptonville September 20-24, 2022.

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the presentation by Huron County Queen of the Furrow Maranda Klaver, dated June 22, 2022, as presented for information.

CARRIED

5.2 Local Telecommunications Companies Update

On April 20, 2022, the Council of the County of Huron directed staff to request an update from local telecommunications companies on broadband projects in Huron County specific to the Universal Broadband Fund Improving Connectivity for Ontario projects.

There were two presentations.

5.2A Universal Broadband Fund (presented by General Manager Rob Van Aaken, Tuckersmith Communications Co-operative Limited (TCC))

5.2B HuronTel Fibre to the Home Update (presented by General Manager Ryan McClinchey, Huron Telecommunications Co-operative Limited (HuronTel))

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Ginn

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the presentation by General Manager, Rob Van Aaken, Tuckersmith Co-operative Limited (TCC), dated June 22, 2022, titled 5.2A Universal Broadband Fund, as presented for information.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the presentation by General Manager Ryan McClinchey, Huron Telecommunications Co-operative Limited (HuronTel), dated June 22, 2022, titled 5.2B HuronTel Fibre to the Home Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

6. Councillor's Issues:

Councillor Jewitt requested a staff report on the mental health in agriculture presentation recently made at the Sustainable Huron meeting. Director of Economic Development Vicki Lass, indicated that Leith Deacon will be making this presentation at the September Council meeting. Economic Development is also preparing a report.

7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.4:

Moved by: Councillor Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

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

CARRIED

8. Social and Property Services:

8.1 2021 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report (presented by Christine Hoffman)

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Moved by: Councillor Grace and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Christine Hoffman, Manager, Housing Services, dated June 22, 2022, titled 2021 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County of Huron approves the release of the 2021 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report to the Ministry of Housing.

CARRIED

8.2 Huron County Coordinated Access Program (presented by Erin Schooley)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Erin Schooley, Homelessness Programs Supervisor, dated June 22, 2022, titled Huron County Coordinated Access Program, as presented for information.

CARRIED

9. Homes for the Aged:

9.1 Contract Extension for Dietitian Services (presented by Dana Mellor)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Dana Mellor, Acting Administrator, Huronlea, dated June 22, 2022, titled Contract Extension for Dietitian Services, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the one (1) year extension of the Dietitian Services with Vida Dietetics formerly Urbshot and Faulds Dietetics;

AND FURTHER THAT;

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contract and all other required documents for a one (1) year extension of the Dietitian Services with Vida Dietetics formerly Urbshot and Faulds Dietetics.

CARRIED

10. Emergency Services:

10.1 Community Paramedic Expansion Update (presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief of Emergency Services, dated June 22, 2022 titled Community Paramedic Expansion Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

10.2 Health Partner Gateway & Client Health and Related Information System (presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated June 22, 2022 titled Health Partner Gateway (HPG) & Client Health and Related Information System (CHRIS), as presented for information;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves entering into data sharing and network sharing agreements with Ontario Health to allow Huron County Paramedic Services to utilize HPG to securely transfer patient information and electronic communication between Home and Community Care Support Services and the Huron County Community Paramedicine Program;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and County Clerk to execute the data sharing and network agreements and all other required documents with Ontario Health to allow Huron County Paramedic Services to utilize the Health Partner Gateway and Client Health and Related Information System.

CARRIED

10.3 ES 2022-01 Tender Results - 2022 Superintendent Vehicle Replacement
(presented by Jeff Horseman)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief of Emergency Services, dated June 22, 2022, titled ES 2022-01 Tender Results – 2022 Superintendent Vehicle Replacement as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Tender ES 2022 – 01 be awarded to Huron Motor Products (HMP) of South Huron Ontario for the tendered price of \$67,783.00 (excluding HST);

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted delegating the authority to the Chief of Emergency Services to execute all required documents for the purchase of the 2022 Superintendent Vehicle from Huron Motor Products (HMP) of South Huron Ontario.

CARRIED

11. Public Works:

11.1 County Road 83 and Airport Line Intersection Improvement Study and EA Update
(presented by Cameron Harper and BM Ross)

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Bailey

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cameron Harper, Manager of Public Works, dated June 22, 2022, titled County Road 83 and Airport Line Intersection Improvement Study and EA Update, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports proceeding with the process for County Road 83 and Airport Line intersection Improvement Study and EA Update.

CARRIED

11.2 Babylon and Kinburn Lines Traffic Report (presented by Steve Lund)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Fergusson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Steve Lund, County Engineer, dated June 22, 2022, titled Babylon and Kinburn Lines Traffic, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the staff recommendations contained in this report.

CARRIED

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11.3 Tender HC 22-1201 for the Purchase of Three Pickup Trucks (presented by Donald Hastings)

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Donald Hastings Fleet Supervisor, dated June 22, 2022, titled Tender HC 22-1201 for the Purchase of Three Pickup Trucks, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron rejects the tender submitted by Blue Mountain Chrysler in the amount of \$194,365.67 (inclusive of net HST);

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation of the Fleet Supervisor to re-tender HC-22- 1201.

CARRIED

11.4 Artificial Intelligence for Road Condition Assessments (presented by Amanda Brown)

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Amanda Brown, Project Manager - Roads, dated June 22, 2022, titled Artificial Intelligence for Road Condition Assessments, as presented for information.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 11:01 AM and resumed at 11:07 AM

12. Economic Development:

12.1 Economic Development Department May 2022 Update (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Reanne Clark, Office Administrator, dated June 22, 2022, titled Economic Development Department May 2022 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

12.2 Roger Brooks Tourism Assessment Report (presented by Rick Sickinger)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Rick Sickinger, Economic Development Officer, dated June 22, 2022, titled Roger Brooks Tourism Assessment Report, as presented for information.

CARRIED

12.3 SLED Funding Program 2022 Grant Recipients (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Vicki Lass, Director of Economic Development, dated June 22, 2022, titled SLED Funding Program 2022 Grant Recipients, as presented for information.

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12.4 Broadband Coverage in Huron County (presented by Alexander Ripley)

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor MacLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Alexander Ripley, Economic Development Officer, dated June 22, 2022, titled Broadband Coverage in Huron County, as presented for information.

CARRIED

13. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

13.1 Land Acknowledgment User Guide (presented by Matthew Dawkins)

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Matthew Dawkins, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Assistant, dated June 22, 2022, titled County of Huron Land Acknowledgment User Guide, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the County of Huron Land Acknowledgment User Guide as presented.

CARRIED

13.2 Reimbursement for Plumbing/Septic Inspections by Partner Municipalities (presented by Susan Cronin)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, dated June 22, 2022, titled Reimbursement for Plumbing/Septic Inspections by Partner Municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to process payments as presented to local municipalities for inspections done under plumbing/septic permits issued by the Huron County Health Unit for the years 2018-2019 in the amount of \$47,124.00.

CARRIED

13.3 2021 – Year End Financial Review (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Jewitt

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled 2021 – Year End Financial Review, dated June 22, 2022 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron distribute the draft 2021 unallocated surplus balance of \$7,868,636 as follows: \$2,476,000 to the General Reserve for Contingency; \$3,296,329 to the Public Works Capital Reserve; and, \$2,096,307 to the Social Housing Reserve.

CARRIED

14. Correspondence:

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

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.

15.1 Councillor Request - Plan of Subdivision 40T21004 Public Meeting, Town of Goderich (presented by Sandra Weber)

A member of Council is required to attend a joint public meeting of the County of Huron and the Town of Goderich for a Plan of Subdivision application. The application proposes a range of units; including 258 single detached units, 8 to 12 single detached or multiple attached units, 85 to 101 townhouse units, 20 to 40 condominium townhouse units, 50 to 350 multiple residential units, 76 to 461 mixed use / apartment units, along with a neighbourhood park; for a potential maximum of 1,222 residential units. The subject property is within the southwest area of the Town of Goderich, west of Provincial Highway No. 21 and between the existing Coast subdivision lands and the built-up area of the Town. The public meeting for this application is scheduled for Monday, July 18th, 2022 at 4:00 pm. At this point it is expected that the meeting will be a hybrid one and that only Town Council and senior administration would be in person in the Council Chambers, with others attending using Zoom or by calling in.

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Finch

THAT:

Councillor MacLellan be appointed to represent County Council at the public meeting for Subdivision Application 40T21004, Town of Goderich.

CARRIED

16. Notice of Motion: None.

17. By-laws:

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

Leave be given to introduce the following By-Laws:

By-law No. 2022-049, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize the Delegation of Authority for Certain Acts during the "Lame Duck" Period for the 2022 Municipal Election;

By-law No. 2022-050, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize the execution of an agreement with Vida Dietetics.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

By-law No. 2022-049 and 2022-050, be given a first and second reading;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2022-049 and 2022-050, as read a first and second time, be passed.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

By-law No. 2022-049 and 2022-050, be given a third reading in accordance with Part 14 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2022-049 and 2022-050, 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:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 11:53 AM under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, to discuss an item that relates to:

- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board;

AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Meighan Wark, Clerk Susan Cronin, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services Michael Blumhagen, Director of Social and Property Services Barbara Hall, Director of Planning and Development Sandra Weber, Housing Services Manager Christine Hoffman, and Planning Manager Denise Van Amersfoort, remain in attendance.

CARRIED

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 11:58 AM.

CARRIED

- Reporting Out - CAO Wark stated that the purpose of going into closed session was to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board.

19. Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 9:00 AM - Hybrid Meeting.

20. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

By-Law No. 2022-051, 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. 2022-051, 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 12:00 PM to meet again on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED

Warden Glen McNeil

Clerk Susan Cronin