

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
HURON COUNTY COUNCIL**

Virtually
July 27, 2022

Huron County Council met virtually on Wednesday, July 27, 2022. All members of Council were present except Councillor Watt. Councillor Ginn joined at 9:06 AM.

1. Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM and stated the purpose of the Special Session:

- Approval of July 6, 2022 meeting minutes
- Follow Up Report on the Council Chambers Technology Upgrade
- Detailed Report on County Housing Build

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

No Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest was stated.

3. Order of Business:

3.1 July 6, 2022 Council Day 1 Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting of July 6, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3.2 Follow Up Report County Council Chambers Technology Upgrade (presented by Susan Cronin, Michael Blumhagen, Kim Reid)

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Susan Cronin, County Clerk, Michael Blumhagen, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer, Kim Reid, Senior Manager of Business Technology Solutions, dated July 27, 2022, titled Follow Up Report County Council Chambers Technology Upgrade, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the auto tracking camera option as part of the technology upgrades to the Council Chambers to permit hybrid participation of members, delegations, presenters and public for meetings for Council, Boards and Committees;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the additional expenditure of \$11,235.21 for the auto tracking camera option as proposed by DTS (Doing Things Simply);

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Clerk is authorized to execute all required documentation with DTS (Doing Things Simply) for the additional expenditure of \$11,235.21 for the auto tracking camera option technology upgrades in Council Chambers as outlined.

CARRIED

3.3 County Housing Build – Option Details (presented by Denise Van Amersfoort)

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report by Denise Van Amersfoort, Manager Planning and Barbara Hall, Director of Social and Property Services, titled County Housing Build – Option Details dated July 27, 2022;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation to construct a 39 unit apartment building containing 10 supportive housing units on the property located at * Gibbons Street, Goderich (former Victoria Public School) subject to an agreement with the owner, the Town of Goderich;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to submit a formal proposal and request to the Council of the Town of Goderich to advance the project including initiating planning approvals processes and preparation of an agreement regarding the land;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute all required documentation required for the construction of a 39 unit apartment building containing 10 supportive housing units on the property located at * Gibbons Street, Goderich (former Victoria Public School) including planning applications and agreements;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves utilizing up to \$2,700,000 in reserve funds towards the development with the balance financed through debt financing;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to include debt financing and annual operating costs for this development in the 2023 County Budget.

A recorded vote was requested by Councillor Ginn.

AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION WAS MADE PRIOR TO THE VOTE.

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the removal of “up to \$2,700,000 in” from the above motion.

CARRIED

The amended motion was considered as follows:

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YEAS: Councillors Dietrich, Fergusson, Finch, Fisher, Ginn, Grace, Harding, Heffer, Jewitt, MacLellan, Murdock, Warden McNeil

NAYS: Councillors Bailey, Klopp

ABSENT: Councillor Watt

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 2 ABSENT: 1

CARRIED

4. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

By-Law No. 2022-057, 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. 2022-057, as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

5. Adjournment:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Special Council meeting adjourn at 10:39 AM.

CARRIED

Warden Glen McNeil

Clerk Susan Cronin