

County of Huron  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM

This meeting took place at 57 Napier Street, Goderich and virtually through zoom.

The Economic Development Board met in person and virtually on September 14, 2022. Members of the Board present were: Brad Chandler, Jim Ginn, John Kiser (joined at 5:08 PM), Bernie MacLellan (arrived at 5:02 PM), John Marshall, Glen McNeil, Jason Oud, and Bryan Vincent. Members of the Board Absent: Leanne Kavanagh and Tim Prior. Staff present: Director of Economic Development Vicki Lass, Chief Administrative Officer Meighan Wark and Clerk Susan Cronin.

**1. Chair Marshall called the Huron County Economic Development Board meeting to order at 5:01 PM:**

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

Agenda item 9.3 will be considered after agenda item 4.0.

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Vincent

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board agenda for September 14, 2022 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:**

There were no declarations stated.

**4. Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

Moved by: Warden McNeil and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The minutes of the Huron County Economic Development Board meeting of August 11, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. Presentations/Delegations:** None.

**6. Opening Comments and Updates from the Chair:** None.

**7. Board Member Comments:**

Warden Glen stated that he has received many comments regarding the inclusivity that Mayor John Grace displayed.

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CAO Wark congratulated Chair Marshall on receiving the Remarkable Citizen Award from Member of Provincial Parliament for Huron-Bruce Lisa Thompson, for volunteerism.

**8. Correspondence:** None.

**9. New Business and / or Unfinished Business:**

9.1. Learning Moment - Conversations with Municipal Members (presented by Vicki Lass)

Myles Murdock, Acting Mayor for the Town of Goderich was in attendance. He spoke to the greatest challenge and the greatest opportunity regarding economic development.

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Director of Economic Development, dated September 14, 2022, titled Learning Moment - Conversations with Municipal Members, as presented for information.

CARRIED

9.2. Terms of Reference Update (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Warden McNeil

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Director of Economic Development, dated September 14, 2022, titled Terms of Reference Update, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Economic Development Board approves the presented changes as outlined in Board Skills and Experience Requirements section on page 4 of the Terms of Reference.

CARRIED

9.3. Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Network Strategy Summary Report (presented by Derry Wallis)

This report was considered after agenda item 4.0.

Moved by: Warden McNeil and Seconded by: Member Vincent

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the report of Derry Wallis, Climate Change and Energy Specialist dated September 14, 2022 titled Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Network Strategy Summary Report, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board approves the request of Derry Wallis,

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Climate Change and Energy Specialist to contribute \$9,578 towards hiring Community Energy Association to facilitate the retention of an implementation partner and complete the implementation of the Level 3 regional electric vehicle charging network.

CARRIED

9.4. Economic Development Department August 2022 Update (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member MacLellan and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the report prepared by Alex Ripley, Economic Development Officer, dated September 14, 2022, titled Economic Development Department August 2022 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**10. Financial Statements:**

10.1. Financial statements for the month ending July 31, 2022 were reviewed.

Moved by: Member MacLellan and Seconded by: Member Vincent

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the financial statements for the month ending July 31, 2022.

CARRIED

**11. Closed to the Public Session:** None.

**12. Future Meeting Topics:**

- Renewable Energy
- Rail Report
- Airport Update
- Communications

**13. Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Huron County Economic Development Board will be held on Wednesday October 12, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

**14. Adjournment:**

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board meeting adjourn at 7:18 PM.

CARRIED