

County of Huron
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 2, 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 November 2, 2022. Members of the Board present were: Brad Chandler, Jim Ginn, Leanne Kavanagh, John Kiser, Bernie MacLellan, John Marshall, Glen McNeil, Jason Oud, and Bryan Vincent. Members of the Board Absent: Liz Ihrig and Tim Prior. Staff present: Chief Administrative Officer Meighan Wark, Director of Economic Development Vicki Lass 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:

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Member Kavanagh

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board agenda for November 2, 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 MacLellan

THAT:

The minutes of the Huron County Economic Development Board meeting of October 12, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Presentations/Delegations: None.

6. Opening Comments and Updates from the Chair:

Chair Marshall stated that the meeting was to set the dial for the 2023-2026 Board with discussion on new board members, changes in staff, strategic direction from the CAO and the current meeting structure.

7. Board Member Comments:

Warden McNeil thanked Chair Marshall for his commitment and dedication to the Economic Development Board and Huron County, as this is his last meeting.

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CAO Wark thanked Chair Marshall for the incredible journey during his term on the Economic Development Board.

8. Correspondence: None.

9. New Business and / or Unfinished Business:

9.1. Learning Moment - Conversations with Huron County CAO

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Chandler

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Director of Economic Development, dated November 2, 2022, titled Learning Moment - Conversations with Huron County CAO, as presented for information.

CARRIED

9.2. Economic Development Attrition Management (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Kavanagh

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board accepts the report, from Vicki Lass, Economic Development Director, dated November 2, 2022, titled Economic Development Attrition Management, as presented for information.

CARRIED

9.3. Appointment to the Board - New Members (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Member Kiser

THAT:

The Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Director of Economic Development, dated November 2, 2022 titled Appointment to the Board - New Members, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Economic Development Board recommends to the Council of the County of Huron that Frances Westley, Tina Bax, Lynne Harris, and Derek Van Dieten be appointed to the Huron County Economic Development Board for a term ending December 2026;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Economic Development Board authorizes letters of appreciation be sent to outgoing Board members in recognition of their service and dedication.

CARRIED

9.4. Economic Development Board Meetings Date and Time (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Warden McNeil

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The Huron County Economic Development Board recommends to the Council of the County of Huron that the Notice of Meetings Calendar be amended by changing Economic Development meetings to the following:

January 5, 2023

February 2, 2023

March 9, 2023

April 6, 2023

May 18, 2023

June 1, 2023

July 6, 2023

August no meeting

September-December leave as is

AND FURTHER THAT:

This will be reviewed in July.

CARRIED

9.5. Economic Development Departmental Update October 2022 (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Vincent and Seconded by: Member Kavanagh

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Vicki Lass, Economic Development Director, dated November 2, 2022, titled Economic Development Department October 2022 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

10. Financial Statements:

10.1. Financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2022 were reviewed.

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Kavanagh

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2022.

CARRIED

11. Closed to the Public Session: None.

12. Future Meeting Topics:

- Renewable Energy
- Report on Locate challenges/solution for construction projects
- Rail Report
- Communications

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13. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Huron County Economic Development Board will be held on Wednesday December 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

14. Adjournment:

Moved by: Member Kiser and Seconded by: Member Vincent

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board meeting adjourn at 7:36 PM.

CARRIED