

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Hybrid Meeting
June 7, 2023

The Council of the County of Huron met in a hybrid meeting setting on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at the Council Chambers. All members of Council were present, except for Councillors M. Murdock, J. Ginn and B. MacLellan. Councillor A. Lobb attended as an alternate to Councillor J. Ginn.

1. Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Warden's Remarks:

Warden McNeil acknowledged June as Pride month, celebrated around the world and noted that Huron County strives to be an inclusive community creating a welcoming environment for all.

Warden McNeil reported attending the following events:

- FCM conference
- meeting on behalf of WOWC with Minister Thompson, MPP Rae and the Speaker Ted Arnott
- an accessibility event hosted by Central Huron
- Hessenland grand opening
- Goderich airport event hosted by Copa 45

3. Approval of Agenda:

Moved by: Councillor T. Bazinet and Seconded by: Councillor M. Anderson
THAT:

The Council Day 1 agenda for June 7, 2023 be approved as presented.
CARRIED

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None.

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Moved by: Councillor D. Harding and Seconded by: Councillor J. Heffer
THAT:

The minutes of the Special Council Session - Strategic Planning of May 10, 2023, Special Council Session - Strategic Planning of May 11, 2023 and Council Day 2 meeting of May 17, 2023, be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

6. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:

6.1. Overview of OPA 15 (Huron East) by Baker Planning (2816312 Ontario Inc.)

Presentation by Caroline Baker, Baker Planning Group to consider approval of Official Plan Amendment No. 15 Seaforth Golf Course (1996) Ltd.

Moved by: Councillor J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor B. Vanstone
THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the Official Plan Amendment No. 15 Seaforth Golf Course (1996) Ltd presentation dated June 7, 2023 by Caroline Baker, Baker Planning Group, as presented for information.
CARRIED

7. Councillor's Comments:

Councillor M. Anderson reported attending the FCM conference and speaking to Pallet Shelter Solutions, manufacturer of affordable housing for homelessness, and offered to forward further information to the Clerk for circulation.

8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8.9:

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor P. Klopp

THAT:

Items 8.1 through 8.9 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

9. Planning and Development:

- 9.1. Consent File C08-2023, Baker Planning Group (c/o Caroline Baker) (Applicant), 2762427 Ontario Ltd. (Owner), Part of Lot 22, Concession 10, Municipality of Bluewater, County of Huron (presented by Victor Kloeze on behalf of Britt Gregg-Wallace)

The purpose and effect of this application is for the division of the lot into two parcels, which will each contain one unit of a semi detached dwelling. Following the conditional approval of the consent, the applicants intend to move forward with constructing a semi-detached dwelling on the subject property, with the shared wall running along the proposed severance boundary in the centre of the property. After the shared wall is in place, they would prepare the survey and reference plan based on the 'as-built' location of that shared wall. The proposed land to be severed is approximately 1265.8 sq metres with a frontage of 16.61m. The proposed land to be retained is approximately 1265.8 square metres with a frontage of 16.61m.

The application is considered disputed because there are objections from neighbouring property owners regarding drainage and flooding. Bluewater has recommended approval of the application with conditions. The Department is recommending approval of the application with conditions as it is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conforms to the Huron County and Bluewater Official Plans.

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor A. McLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the recommendation of Britt Gregg-Wallace, Planner, that Consent application C008-2023 by Caroline Baker on behalf of 2762427 Ontario Ltd. requesting a severance of a parcel of land for future residential development, described as Part of Lot 22, Concession 10, Municipality of Bluewater, be approved with conditions.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor B. Vanstone and Seconded by: Councillor P. Heffer

THAT:

Consent application C008-2023 by Caroline Baker on behalf of 2762427 Ontario Ltd. requesting a severance of a parcel of land for future residential development, described as Part of Lot 22, Concession 10, Municipality of Bluewater. Public comments received on the issues of drainage and flooding. The comments were thoroughly considered and addressed through conditions to approval but did not fully satisfy public concerns. Agency comments were received in support of the application, the effect of which resulted in a decision to approve the application.

CARRIED

- 9.2. Consent Application C09-2023, Mark Jackson, Lot 9, Concession 10, 45137 Orange Hill Road, Township of Howick (presented by Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk)

The purpose and effect of this application is for the creation of a new lot under the surplus farm residence policies. The proposed land to be severed is approximately 7.80 acres (3.16 ha) consisting of a house and 2 barns. The vacant agricultural land to be retained is approximately 92 acres (37.23 ha). The application is consistent with the Provincial Policy

Statement, Huron County and Howick Official Plans provided a condition is attached to require the severed parcel to be reduced in area. The Department is recommending approval with the conditions as outlined in the planning report. Howick Council is recommending approval of the application as submitted, not including the condition to reduce the size of the severed parcel.

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor A. Lobb

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves consent application C09-2023 by Mark Jackson requesting the severance of a surplus farm residence, described as Lot 9, Concession 10; 45137 Orange Hill Road, Gorrie, Township of Howick, with conditions as outlined in the planning report, with the exception of #10 requiring the reduced lot size for the severed parcel.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor J. Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich

THAT:

Consent application C09-2023 by Mark Jackson requesting the severance of a surplus farm residence, described as Lot 9, Concession 10; 45137 Orange Hill Road, Gorrie, Township of Howick. No public comments were received on this application so there was no effect on the decision. Comments were received from agencies on the issues of lot size due to natural heritage concerns. Comments were considered but the effect did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application as applied for.

CARRIED

- 9.3. Consent File C25-2023, Zelinka Priamo Ltd. (applicant) for Thomas and Noella Triebner (owner), Part Lot 21, Concession 2, Stephen Ward; North Part Lot 301, Plan 376; Parts 2-11, 22R-5795, Exeter Ward; Municipality of South Huron, County of Huron (presented by Craig Metzger)

This application proposes to separate the lands designated for development in the Exeter Settlement Area from the agricultural lands outside Exeter to create a new residential lot for a proposed long term care facility. The vacant severed land is approximately 1.7 ha (4 acres) and includes a 1,600 square metres (0.4 acre), 20 metres wide strip of land at the south end of the parcel to be dedicated to the Municipality of South Huron. The retained land is an approximately 40 ha (98 acres) farm that includes a house and farm-related buildings. This is a disputed consent application since adjacent landowners have objections and concerns related to traffic, privacy, drainage, lighting, building size, and other reasons. The Municipality of South Huron has recommended approval with conditions. The Department is recommending approval with conditions as the application is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conforms to the County of Huron Official Plan and South Huron Official Plan.

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor P. Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation by Craig Metzger, Senior Planner, that Consent application C25-2023 by Zelinka Priamo Ltd. for Thomas and Noella Triebner requesting severance of a parcel of land for future residential development, described as Part Lot 21, Concession 2, Stephen Ward; North Part Lot 301, Plan 376; Parts 2-11, 22R-5795, Exeter Ward; Municipality of South Huron; be approved with conditions.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor D. Harding and Seconded by: Councillor T. Bazinet

THAT:

Consent application C25-2023 by Zelinka Priamo Ltd. for Thomas and Noella Triebner requesting severance of a parcel of land for future residential development, described as Part Lot 21, Concession 2, Stephen Ward; North Part Lot 301, Plan 376; Parts 2-11, 22R-5795, Exeter Ward; Municipality of South Huron. Public comments were raised on a number of issues, including traffic, privacy, drainage, lighting, and building size. The comments were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of

Council to approve the application. Agency comments were received in support of the application, the effect of which resulted in a decision to approve the application.
CARRIED

9.4. Official Plan Amendment No. 15, Seaforth Golf Course (1996) Ltd. (presented by Shae Stoll)

The proposed Official Plan Amendment (OPA 15) to the Huron East Official Plan, submitted along with a Zoning By-law Amendment application, affects lands located at Concession 2, Pt. Lot 8 & 9, Registered Plan 22R5263 Parts 2 and 9-11, Geographic Township of Tuckersmith, Municipality of Huron East. Municipally known as 1 Doig Drive. OPA 15 proposes to change the designation of the subject lands from 'Recreation' to 'Urban- Primary Settlement Area'. The purpose of the amendment is to expand the Settlement Area Boundary to facilitate the development of a residential condominium. The OPA amendment is considered disputed due to comments received from members of the public during the public meeting. The amendment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement (2020) and conforms to the County Official Plan. Huron East Council adopted the OPA on May 16, 2023. The Planning and Development Department recommends the application be approved.

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor A. McLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the recommendation of Shae Stoll, Planner, and Denise Van Amersfoort, Manager of Planning, that Official Plan Amendment No. 15 to Huron East Official Plan as adopted by the Council of Huron East be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Notice of Decision be circulated.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor M. Anderson and Seconded by: Councillor J. Becker

THAT:

Official Plan Amendment (OPA 15) to the Huron East Official Plan, submitted along with a Zoning By-law Amendment application, affects lands located at Concession 2, Pt. Lot 8 & 9, Registered Plan 22R5263 Parts 2 and 9-11, Geographic Township of Tuckersmith, Municipality of Huron East. Agency comments were received in support of the application, the effect of which resulted in a decision to approve the application. Public comments were received on the issue(s) of access, encroachment, traffic impacts and cost sharing of infrastructure. Comments were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of council to approve this application.

CARRIED

9.5. Official Plan Amendment No. 18, Five Year Review, Town of Goderich (presented by Victor Kloeze)

The purpose of Official Plan Amendment No. 18 is to incorporate revisions to the land use plan for the Town of Goderich determined necessary through the Five Year Review process. The Official Plan Five Year Review was completed in accordance with the requirements of Section 17 and Section 26 of the Planning Act.

Moved by: Councillor T. Bazinet and Seconded by: Councillor B. Vanstone

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Victor Kloeze, Senior Planner, titled Town of Goderich Official Plan Five Year Review (OPA 18) Amendment dated May 19th, 2023, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves Town of Goderich Official Plan Amendment No. 18 (Five Year Review) as adopted by the Council of the Town of Goderich on May 15th, 2023 and as shown in the attached document;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Notice of Decision be circulated;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron hereby resolves that Town of Goderich Official Plan Amendment No. 18 (Five Year Review) conforms with Provincial Plans, has regard to the matters of provincial interest in Section 2 of the Planning Act, as amended, and is consistent with policy statements issued under Section 3 (1) of the Planning Act, as amended.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor J. Heffer

THAT:

Town of Goderich Official Plan Amendment No. 18 (Five Year Review). Public and Agency comments have been received and considered throughout the five-year review process. Supportive comments and many comments with suggestions for modifications have been incorporated into the final drafts of the text and mapping amendments.

Two outstanding concerns regarding recreational trailers and residential density provisions from members of the public have been thoroughly considered but did not influence the decision of Council to approve the amendment.

CARRIED

9.6. Enriching the Rural Roadside Pilot Project (presented by Derry Wallis)

Moved by: Councillor M. Anderson and Seconded by: Councillor A. Lobb

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the report of Derry Wallis, Climate Change and Energy Specialist dated June 7, 2023 titled Enriching the Rural Roadside Pilot Project as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the Canadian Wildlife Federation collaboration funding agreement and any other required documents for the Enriching the Rural Roadside Pilot Project.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:44 AM and resumed the meeting at 10:50 AM.

10. Cultural Services:

10.1. Huron County Museum Collections Deaccession Report – June 2023 (presented by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor P. Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Elizabeth French-Gibson, Senior Curator, dated June 7, 2023, titled Huron County Museum Collections Deaccession Report – June 2023 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept the report and recommendation of the Huron County Museum Collections Committee that catalogue numbers M993.0004.001, N000.1650, N000.7136, N000.6096, N000.3487 & N000.3489, and N000.1256 be deaccessioned from the Huron County Museum's collection.

CARRIED

10.2. Huron County Museum & Historic Gaol Annual Report (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Councillor T. Bazinet and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report by Beth Rumble, Director of Cultural Services, dated June 7, 2023, titled Huron County Museum and Historic Gaol Annual Report, as presented for information.

CARRIED

10.3. Review of Huron Heritage Fund Applications – May 2023 Intake (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Councillor J. Becker and Seconded by: Councillor G. Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Beth Rumble, Director of Cultural Services, dated June 7, 2023, titled Huron Heritage Fund Applications May 2023 Intake as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report and recommendation of the Huron Heritage Fund Committee, to grant the included ten applications for funding from the 2023 applications, for a total amount of \$25,000.

- Block Corporation (Radome) - \$5,000
- Bayfield Historical Society - \$1,500
- Bayfield Townhall Heritage Society - \$3,000
- Bayfield Lions Club - \$1,500
- Exeter and District Heritage Foundation - \$1,000
- Huron Pioneer Threshers and Hobby Association - \$2,000
- Goderich Little Theatre - \$3,000
- Kerri Coxon and Andrew Snell - \$1,000
- Van Egmond House Museum - \$4,500
- Zurich Bean Festival - \$2,500

CARRIED

11. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

12. Correspondence:

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor A. McLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports correspondence item 12.14 from City of Cambridge - Resolution Regarding Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement and item 12.15 from City of Cambridge - Resolution Regarding Highway Traffic Act Amendments.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor A. McLellan and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports correspondence item 12.30 from Ontario Auto Mayors - Letter Regarding Auto Thefts.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor A. Lobb and Seconded by: Councillor M. Anderson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron supports correspondence item 12.5 from Northumberland County - Resolution Regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs, item 12.11 from Township of Georgian Bay - Resolution Regarding Reducing of Municipal Insurance Costs, and item 12.27 from Municipality of Huron Shores - Resolution Regarding Municipal Insurance Cost.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor D. Harding

THAT:

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

CARRIED

13. 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

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contact the Chief Administrative Officer in advance so that the item can be placed on the published agenda.

14. Notice of Motion: None.

15. By-laws:

Moved by: Councillor A. McLellan and Seconded by: Councillor B. Vanstone
THAT:

By-law No. 2023-044, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract RFT (HPS) 2023-02 for the Courthouse Basement Repair and Renovation with K & L Construction.

By-law No. 2023-045, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract HC 23-902 for Wingham Patrol Yard - Salt and Sand Storage Facility Development with Domm Construction Ltd.

By-law No. 2023-046, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract HC 23-168 for Josephine/County Road 4 Intersection Improvement with Lavis Contracting Co. Ltd.

By-law No. 2023-047, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract HC 23-502 for the Rehabilitation of Donnybrook Bridge (22-06.4) with UrbanLink Civil Ltd.

Be introduced, be given a first, second and third reading, be passed, signed by the Warden and Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto, in accordance with Part 14 of the Procedural By-Law for the County of Huron.

CARRIED

16. Closed to the Public Session:

17. Upcoming Meetings:

Library Board - Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Accessibility Advisory Committee - Monday, June 19, 2023 at 9:00 AM at the Goderich Library - In person

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Economic Development Board - Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

18. Confirmatory By-law:

Moved by: Councillor D. Harding and Seconded by: Councillor P. Heffer
THAT:

By-law No. 2023-048, 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, be passed, signed by the Warden and Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto, in accordance with Part 14 of the Procedural By-Law for the County of Huron.

CARRIED

19. Adjournment:

Moved by: Councillor J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor J. Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 10:59 AM to meet again on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED



Warden Glen McNeil



Clerk Susan Cronin