

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Hybrid Meeting
September 6, 2023

The Council of the County of Huron met in a hybrid meeting setting on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at the Council Chambers. All members of Council were present.

Due to Councillor Murdock's recent passing, his seat on the County Council is vacant.

1. **Warden Glen McNeil called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.**
2. **Warden's Remarks:** Warden McNeil commenced the meeting with a warm welcome and extended his heartfelt condolences to the family, residents, Council and staff of the Town of Goderich in light of the recent passing of Mayor Myles Murdock.

In addition, Warden McNeil acknowledged the significance of September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Furthermore, he made reference to the Procedural By-law and provided a reminder of the importance of adhering to best practices in our proceedings.

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

Moved by: Councillor D. Harding and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich

THAT:

The Council Day 1 agenda for September 6, 2023 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

5. **Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

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

THAT:

The minutes of the Audit Committee and Council Day 2 meeting of August 16, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

6. **Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:**

6.1. **Seaforth Optimist Club - Defibrillator Purchase**

Presentation by Brian Barry, President of the Seaforth Optimist Club requesting that the Huron County Emergency Service be responsible for maintaining the Defibrillator unit purchased by Huron East/Seaforth Community Development Trust.

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor G. Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron requests staff prepare a report on the request by the Seaforth Optimist Club for the Huron County Emergency Service to be responsible for maintaining the defibrillator unit at the Seaforth baseball diamonds.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor P. Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor A. McLellan
THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the presentation by Brian Barry, President of the Seaforth Optimist Club requesting the Huron County Emergency Services be responsible for maintaining the Defibrillator unit purchased by Huron East/Seaforth Community Development Trust, for information purposes.

CARRIED

7. Councillor's Comments:

Councillor Ginn informed Council that the SWIFT project is near completion and as a part of their mandate is to ensure fulfillment of speed and data exchange services, they need to monitor network lines to validate compliance with the stipulated obligations. For this reason, they are asking for interested parties install a monitoring device on their property to facilitate the monitoring process.

Councillor Bazinet expressed his appreciation to both Council and staff for attending the celebration of life and funeral service held in honour of Councillor Murdock.

8. Consent Agenda – Items 8.1 through 8.8:

Moved by: Councillor B. Vanstone and Seconded by: Councillor J. Becker

THAT:

Items 8.1 through 8.8 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

9. Planning and Development:

- 9.1. Consent File C31-2023, Bill and Susanne Robinson, Concession 11 Lot 22, West Wawanosh, Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh (presented by Celina Whaling-Rae)

The purpose of this application is to sever a surplus farm residence. The proposed severed parcel is 2.2 hectares (5.5 acres) in size and contains a residence and two sheds. The proposed retained parcel is 37.4 hectares (92.5 acres) if corresponding consent file C32-2023 is finalized and is vacant farmland. The Department is recommending approval of the application with conditions, including a condition requiring the severed parcel to be reduced in size to 0.6 hectares (1.5 acres). Council of the Township of Ashfield- Colborne- Wawanosh recommends approval of the application with conditions, except condition #7 (reduction of the severed parcel).

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves consent application C31-2023 by Bill and Susanne Robinson requesting the severance of a surplus residence on lands described as Concession 11 Lot 22, West Wawanosh, Township of Ashfield-Colborne- Wawanosh, with conditions, except for Condition #7 to reduce the size of the severed parcel.

DEFEATED

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation of Celina Whaling-Rae, Planner, that consent application C31-2023 by Bill and Susanne Robinson requesting the severance of a surplus residence on lands described as Concession 11 Lot 22, West Wawanosh, Township of Ashfield-Colborne- Wawanosh, be approved with conditions.

DEFEATED

Moved by: Councillor P. Klopp and Seconded by: Councillor T. Bazinet

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron defer consent application C31-2023 by Bill and Susanne Robinson requesting the severance of a surplus residence on lands described as Concession 11 Lot 22, West Wawanosh, Township of Ashfield-Colborne- Wawanosh to later time, pending further information.

CARRIED

- 9.2. Consent File C62-2020, Joanne Oliver (Applicant), Lot 165 of Plan 147, Bayfield Ward, Municipality of Bluewater, County of Huron (presented by Denise Van Amersfoort)

The purpose of this application is a lot enlargement. The proposed land to be severed is approximately 192 square metres and is currently vacant. The severed lands would be merged with the property to the south which contains a commercial building. The proposed retained lands contain a single detached dwelling.

The subject property is designated Residential in the Bluewater Official Plan and zoned Residential Low Density (R1). The lands with which the severed is to merge are designated Core Commercial and zoned Core Commercial (C4). The purpose of the lot enlargement is to facilitate the addition of an access lane to the rear of the commercial property. The application is disputed by neighbours and community members who do not wish to see the commercial area encroach further north along Bayfield Main Street North. The Municipality of Bluewater is recommending approval with conditions.

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation of Denise Van Amersfoort, Manager of Planning, that consent application C62-2020 by Joanne Oliver requesting the severance of the property described as Lot 165, Plan 147, Bayfield Ward, Municipality of Bluewater, be approved with the attached conditions.

CARRIED

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

THAT:

The Consent application C62-2020 by Joanne Oliver requesting the severance of the property described as Lot 165, Plan 147, Bayfield Ward, Municipality of Bluewater. Public comments were received on the issue(s) of property standards enforcement, encroachment of commercial uses into the residential portion of the Main Street Heritage Conservation District Plan and consistency with the Secondary Plan. Comments were thoroughly considered and addressed in part by conditions to approval but the overall effect did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application.

Concerns were received from the Municipal Heritage Committee on the use of the severed property. Comments were thoroughly considered but the effect did not influence the decision of Council to approve the application.

CARRIED

- 9.3. County-wide Planning Application Software System (presented by Sandra Weber and Craig Metzger)

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

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron receive the report from Sandra Weber, Director and Craig Metzger, Senior Planner, titled County-wide Planning Application Software System dated September 6, 2023 as presented for information;
AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron approve entering into a contract with Cloudpermit for the Cloudpermit Planning Module for use by the County and all nine local municipalities for a 3 year period at a cost of \$12,000 for the one time setup fee plus an annual license fee of \$80,000;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contract and all other required documents for the Cloudpermit Planning Module.

CARRIED

10. Cultural Services:

10.1. Free Menstrual Products (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Councillor M. Anderson and Seconded by: Councillor B. Vanstone

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the report by Beth Rumble, Director of Cultural Services, dated September 6, 2023, titled Free Menstrual Products, as presented for information.

CARRIED

10.2. Huron County Museum Collections Deaccession Report - September 2023

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Elizabeth French-Gibson, Senior Curator, dated September 6, 2023, titled Huron County Museum Collections Deaccession Report – September 2023 as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept the report and recommendation that the catalogue numbers G991.1.174a-d, M968.72.1, M972.5.1, M994.80.49-54, and M994.80.57 be deaccessioned from the Huron County Museum's collection.

CARRIED

10.3. Huron County Museum Collections Plan (presented by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Elizabeth French-Gibson, Senior Curator, dated September 6, 2023, titled Huron County Museum Collections Plan as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept the report and recommendation that the Huron County Museum Collections Plan be included as part of the Collections Management procedures.

CARRIED

10.4. Support of North Huron Museum Deaccessioning Project (presented by Elizabeth French-Gibson)

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

THAT:

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The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Elizabeth French-Gibson, Senior Curator, dated September 6, 2023, titled Support of North Huron Museum Deaccessioning Project as presented for information.
CARRIED

11. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:

12. Correspondence:

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

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

13.1. OPHI/COCHI and COHB Programs (presented by Christine Hoffman)

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor B. Vanstone

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Christine Hoffman, Manager, Housing Services, dated September 6, 2023, titled Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI), Canada/Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) and Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) programs as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and the Clerk to execute the Investment Plan and the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) and the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI); and the Canada Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) sign-back letter and all other documents as required for these programs.

CARRIED

14. Notice of Motion: None.

15. By-laws:

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

THAT:

By-law No. 2023-071, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract with Arcadia Custom Living for RFT (HPS) 2023-01 - Vestibule replacement at 250 Picton Steet in Goderich.

By-law No. 2023-072, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into a contract with KR Communication for Austco Nurse Call System Replacement at the Huronlea.

By-law No. 2023-073, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize delegating authority to Chief of Emergency Services to execute the contract ES

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2023-02 for the conversion of 2023 Rapid Response Unit with MSJ Automotive of Windsor.

By-law No. 2023-074, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize executing Data Sharing Agreement and any other required documentation with the Minister of Health for the Community Paramedicine Expanded Program.

By-law No. 2023-075, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into Contract HC 23-54 for Supply and Delivery of Alternative Non-Liquid De-Icing Material with Compass Minerals Canada Corp.

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: None.

17. Upcoming Meetings:

Economic Development Board - Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Library Board - Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich – Hybrid Meeting

Accessibility Advisory Committee - Monday, September 18, 2023 at 9:00 AM - Virtual Meeting

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich – Hybrid Meeting

Council Day 1- Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich – Hybrid Meeting

18. Confirmatory By-law:

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

THAT:

By-law No. 2023-076, 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

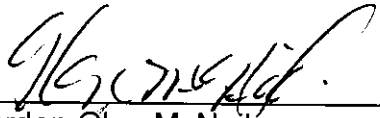
19. Adjournment:

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

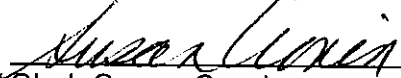
THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 10:25 AM to meet again on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED



Warden Glen McNeil



Clerk Susan Cronin