

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

Monday, November 27, 2023 at 11:30 AM

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

The Economic Development Board met in a hybrid meeting settings on November 27, 2023 at 57 Napier Street in Goderich.

Members of the Board present: Bryan Vincent, Jim Ginn, Jamie Heffer, Jason Oud, Tina Bax, John Kiser, Derek Van Dieten and Lynne Harris. Member Frances Westley joined at 11:42 AM.

Members of the Board absent: Warden Glen McNeil

Staff present: Director of Economic Development Vicki Lass, Deputy Clerk Ljubica Blazevic and Chief Administrative Officer Meighan Wark.

Staff absent: Director of Legislative Services/County Clerk Susan Cronin.

**1. Chair Vincent called the Huron County Economic Development Board meeting to order at 11:33 AM.**

Board members and guests engaged in a round table introduction.

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

Moved by Member Ginn and Seconded by Member Kiser

THAT:

The Economic Development Board Agenda for November 27, 2023 be approved as amended:

- Take off Item 5.4 – Riverside Apartments by Brock Hodgins,
- Amend motion under Item 8 to remove “AND FURTHER THAT” part in its entirety.

CARRIED

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

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

**4. Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

Moved by: Member Bax and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The minutes of the Huron County Economic Development Board meeting of October 5, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. Presentations/Delegations:**

- 5.1. Huron County Housing Renewal Plan & County Builds (presented by Denise Van Amersfoort and Christine Hoffman)

Moved by: Member Heffer and Seconded by: Member Harris

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The Huron County Economic Development Board receive the presentation dated November 27, 2023 titled Huron County Housing Renewal Plan & County Builds by Denise Van Amersfoort, Manager of Planning, and Christine Hoffman, Housing Services Manager, as presented for information.

CARRIED

5.2. Habitat for Humanity - Huron County (presented by Cheryl Jefferson)

Moved by: Member Oud and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the presentation by Cheryl Jefferson titled Habitat for Humanity for information.

CARRIED

5.3. Habitat for Humanity - Guelph Wellington (presented by Ryan Deska)

Moved by: Member Bax and Seconded by: Member Kiser

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the presentation by Ryan Deska, Director, Community Engagement and Development, titled Habitat for Humanity - Guelph Wellington, for information.

CARRIED

5.4. Perth-Huron United Way - United Housing (presented by Mitchell Rhodes and Ryan Erb)

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Westley

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board receives the presentation by Ryan Erb, Executive Director, United Way, as presented for information.

CARRIED

The Board recessed at 1:41 PM and resumed at 1:48 PM.

**6. Opening Comments and Updates from the Chair:**

Chair Vincent indicated that Items 6 and 7 will be moved to the next Economic Development Board meeting scheduled for December 7, 2023 in order to stay on time.

**7. Board Member Comments:**

**8. Correspondence:**

Housing Working Group Update (presented by Vicki Lass)

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Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Bax

THAT:

The Chair & Members of the Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Economic Development Director, dated November 27, 2023, titled Housing Working Group Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

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

9.1. Economic Development Department November 2023 (presented by Vicki Lass)

Moved by: Member Harris and Seconded by: Member Ginn

THAT:

The Economic Development Board receives the report by Vicki Lass, Economic Development Director, dated November 27, 2023, titled Economic Development Department September 2023 Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**10. Financial Statements:**

10.1. The Draft Financial Statements for the month ending September 30, 2023 were reviewed.

Moved by: Member Ginn and Seconded by: Member Westley

THAT:

The draft financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

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

**12. Future Meeting Topics:** None.

**13. Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Huron County Economic Development Board will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 9:00 AM.

**14. Adjournment:**

Moved by: Member Heffer and Seconded by: Member Bax

THAT:

The Huron County Economic Development Board meeting adjourn at 2:01 PM.

CARRIED

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Chair Bryan Vincent