

**MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Hybrid Meeting
June 26, 2024

The Council of the County of Huron met in a hybrid meeting setting on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. All members of Council were present except for Councillor B. MacLellan.

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

Warden McNeil congratulated Christine Hoffman, Housing Services Manager, on her retirement. Christine shared a brief thank you speech, expressing gratitude for her opportunities and the support she received.

Director Hall announced that Jayme Koskamp, Housing Services Supervisor has accepted the position of Housing Services Manager.

Director Lass introduced two new staff members in the Economic Development Department: Kelly Harrison as Workforce Coordinator and Nick Kester as a Marketing and Communication summer student.

Director Khalid introduced Andrew Mayer as the Manager of Public Works.

CAO Wark introduce Dana Mellor as the Acting Director of Homes for the Aged, emphasizing her previous contributions in this role.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Moved by: Councillor T. Bazinet and Seconded by: Councillor G. Finch

THAT:

The Council Day 2 agenda for June 26, 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

Councillor J. Dietrich declared a pecuniary interest with the following items:

- June 12, 2024 Meeting – Item No. 13.1 Replacement of Rapid Response Unit tender award to Huron Motor Products.
- June 26, 2024 Meeting – Item No. 4 - Council Day 1 Minutes of June 12, 2024
- June 26, 2024 Meeting - Item No. 17 –By-law No. 2024-054, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into Contract 2024-01 for the replacement of Rapid Response Unit with Huron Motor Products (HMP) and Delegation of Authority due to his daughter being employed at Huron Motor Products.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

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

THAT:

The minutes of the Council Day 1 meeting of June 12, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:

5.1. Huron Perth Children's Aid Society - Informational Presentation

Presentation to Council was given by Kristian Wilson, Executive Director with Huron Perth Children's Aid Society for informational purposes.

Moved by: Councillor L. Noel and Seconded by: Councillor M. Anderson

THAT:

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The Council of the County of Huron receive a presentation by Kristian Wilson, Executive Director with Huron Perth Children's Aid Society, dated June 26, 2024, titled Huron Perth Children's Aid Society - Informational Presentation, as presented for information.
CARRIED

5.2. 2023/2024 Huron County Queen of the Furrow Presentation

Presentation by Rachel Gras, Huron County Queen of the Furrow was given for informational purposes and an invitation to the Huron County Plowing Match on Thursday, August 15 to Friday, August 16, 2024 co-hosted by Warden Glen McNeil and landowners Koos & Natalie Vermue (the Vermue Farms) at 36118 Bayfield River Road, Bayfield, and promotion of the 2024 IPM on October 1-5, 2024 at Kawartha Lakes.

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive a presentation by Rachel Gras, Huron County Queen of the Furrow, dated June 26, 2024, titled 2023/2024 Huron County Queen of the Furrow Presentation, as presented for information.

CARRIED

6. Councillor's Comments:

Councillor J. Becker shared the achievement of local youth Josh Glavin, a Memorial Cup champion with the Saginaw Spirit hockey team. He further announced the birth of his 10th grandchild, Jesse Jason Peter.

Councillor P. Heffer announced that the disbanded Barn Dance group in Wingham donated \$10,000 to each of the five secondary schools in Huron County. This money will fund bursaries for students entering the music field.

Councillor J. Dietrich raised concerns about County Road 83, where the newly paved shoulders, are causing traffic control speed issues.

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron requests a staff report on traffic control options for County Road 83 paved shoulder sections.

CARRIED

7. Consent Agenda - Items 7.1 through 7.6:

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may require discussion but no action on the part of Council. Consent Agenda items are received in one motion. Council members may request that one or more items be removed for further action.

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

THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.6 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

8. Social and Property Services:

8.1. 2023 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report (presented by Erin Schooley)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Erin Schooley, Supervisor, Homelessness Programs, dated June 26, 2024, titled 2023 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT

The Council of the County of Huron approve the report and the submission of the 2023 Annual Housing and Homelessness Report to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
CARRIED

8.2. Proposed Model for Bridge Housing and Stability Program (presented by Barbara Hall)

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

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Barbara Hall, Director, Social and Property Services, dated June 26, 2024, titled Proposed Model for Bridge Housing and Stability Program as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the recommendation to proceed with the proposed model of the bridge housing and stability program by drafting a Service Agreement that specifies the terms and costs, and return to Council on July 3, 2024, for the approval of the Service Agreement;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the timeframe of a one-year Service Agreement from November 1, 2024 to October 31, 2025, be included within the Service Agreement based on direction from the Affordable Housing and Homelessness Committee.

CARRIED

9. Homes for the Aged:

9.1. Request for Sole Sourcing Resident Transfer Lifts - Huronview Homes for the Aged (presented by Dana Mellor)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives this report by Rachel Bernard, Director of Care, Huronview Homes for the Aged, Connie Townsend, Homes Director, and Dana Mellor, Administrator, Huronview Home for the Aged, dated June 4, 2024, titled, Request for Sole Sourcing Resident Transfer Lifts-Huronview Homes for the Aged as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the Request for Sole Sourcing Resident Transfer Lifts -Huronview Homes for the Aged be awarded to Arjo for the amount of \$83,120.00 for 6 ceiling lifts and 2 Sara lifts and 1 Bariatric Floor lift.

CARRIED

10. Emergency Services:

10.1. Brussels Paramedic Base Lease Agreement (presented by Jeff Horseman)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Director Emergency Services, dated June 26, 2024, titled Brussels Paramedic Base Operational Lease Agreement, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves entering into a lease agreement with the Municipality of Huron East for the operation of a Paramedic Station in Brussels:

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and County Clerk to execute the lease agreement and any other required documents with the Municipality of Huron East for the operation of a Paramedic Station in Brussels.

CARRIED

11. Public Works:

- 11.1. Roundabout Design Options and Project Status for County Road 83/Airport Line Presentation by BM Ross (presented by Imran Khalid)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive the report dated June 26, 2024 by Imran Khalid, Director of Public Works titled Roundabout Design Options and Project Status for County Road 83/Airport Line Presentation by BM Ross as presented for Information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron direct staff to proceed with design option no. 2 for a single lane roundabout centered close to the original intersection for the County Road 83/Airport Line Roundabout project.

CARRIED

- 11.2. Recommendation to Award Tender HCPW 24-508: Rehabilitation of Boundary Bridge 11 (BB11) (presented by Will Williams)

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

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receive and approve the report dated June 26, 2024 titled Recommendation to Award Tender HCPW 24-508: Rehabilitation of Boundary Bridge 11 (BB11) by Will Williams, Project Manager (Bridges);

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accept the tender submitted by VanDriel Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$299,489 (inclusive of provisional items, contingency allowance, and net applicable taxes), based on the anticipated scope of work;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and all other required documents for HCPW 24-508: Rehabilitation of Boundary Bridge 11 (BB11) with VanDriel Excavating Inc.

CARRIED

- 11.3. Amendment to Fee By-Law No. 2023-096 (presented by Imran Khalid)

Moved by: Councillor L. Noel and Seconded by: Councillor A. McLellan

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the report titled Amendment to Fee By-Law No. 2023-096 dated June 26, 2024 by Imran Khalid, Director of Public Works;

AND FURTHER THAT

By-Law No. 2023-096 be amended to include a Municipal Consent Permit fee of \$200 and a Work in the Right-Of-Way Permit fee of \$100.

CARRIED

12. Economic Development:

- 12.1. Huron County Immigration Partnership & County of Huron Cultural Services update (presented by Mark Nonkes and Karen Stewart)

Moved by: Councillor L. Noel and Seconded by: Councillor M. Anderson

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report from Karen Stewart, Huron County Cultural Development Officer, and Mark Nonkes, Immigration Partnership Manager, dated May 22, 2024, titled Tastes Like Home – Around the World in Huron County, volume 2, as presented for information.

CARRIED

- 13. Administration, Policies and Other Issues: None.**

14. Correspondence:

Moved by: Councillor M. Anderson and Seconded by: Councillor D. Harding
THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron support correspondence Item 14.1 from the Township of Pelee - Resolution Regarding Rural and Small Urban Municipalities – Affordability of Water and Wastewater Systems.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor M. Anderson and Seconded by: Councillor L. Noel
THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron support correspondence Items:

- 14.2 Township of Pelee - Resolution Regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities,
- 14.4 Township of Lanark Highlands - Resolution Regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities,
- 14.7 Hastings County - Resolution Regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities,
- 14.10 Municipality of Mattawan - Resolution Regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities,
- 14.14 Township of Larder Lake - Resolution Regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities.

CARRIED

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

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron support correspondence Item 14.3 Town of Plympton-Wyoming - Resolution Regarding Support to WOWC - ERO Postings 019-8369, 019-8462, and 019-8371.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor G. Finch and Seconded by: Councillor D. Harding
THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron support correspondence Item 14.5 Town of Saugeen Shores - Resolution Regarding Cemetery Administration Management.

CARRIED

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

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

CARRIED

Agenda item # 14.13 Township of Larder Lake – Resolution Regarding Asset Retirement Obligation will be deferred to July 3, 2024 meeting for staff comment.

15. 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.

15.1. Conservation and Demand Management Plan (presented by Derry Wallis)

Moved by: Councillor L. Noel and Seconded by: Councillor J. Ginn
THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the report of Derry Wallis, Climate Change and Energy Specialist dated June 26, 2024 titled Conservation and Demand Management Plan as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the updated Conservation and Demand Management Plan, 2024-2028;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The updated Conservation and Demand Management Plan, 2024-2028 be posted on the Huron County website.

CARRIED

16. Notice of Motion: None.

17. By-laws:

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

THAT:

By-law No. 2024-054, being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to authorize entering into Contract 2024-01 for the replacement of Rapid Response Unit with Huron Motor Products (HMP) and Delegation of Authority.

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

18. Closed to the Public Session: None.

19. Upcoming Meetings:

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Economic Development Board Meeting - Thursday, July 4, 2024 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Library Board Meeting - Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 9:00 AM at 57 Napier Street, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, Goderich - Hybrid Meeting

20. Confirmatory By-law:

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

THAT:

By-law No. 2024-055, 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

21. Adjournment:

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

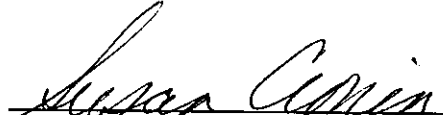
THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 10:44 AM to meet again on Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED



Warden Glen McNeil



Clerk Susan Cronin