

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SEAFORTH, ONTARIO
TUESDAY, JULY 2nd, 2013 – 7:08 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Bernie MacLellan, Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler
 Councillors Frank Stretton,
 Alvin McLellan, Andrew Flowers, Robert Fisher,
 Nathan Marshall, Larry McGrath and Les Falconer

Members Absent: Councillors David Blaney and Dianne Diehl

Staff Present: Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Paula Michiels
 Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills
 Executive Assistant, Janice Andrews

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor MacLellan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF ELECTED OFFICIALS – PECUNIARY INTEREST

DEPUTATIONS

Gerry Ryan was in attendance to hear the proceedings of Council.

7:00 p.m. Carol Ryan – Inter-Municipal Wind Turbines Working Group

Carol Ryan attended before Council to present a report from the Multi-Municipal Wind Turbines Working Group meeting held on June 13th, 2013 in Chesley. Copies of the following documents were also provided to Council:

- 1) Comments and Review of the Ontario Highlands Friends of Wind Power Correspondence to the Municipality of Grey Highlands
- 2) Pre-Budget Consultations 2013 Submission to Ontario Legislative Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs by Ontario Highlands Friends of Wind Power
- 3) Wind Turbine Sound Prediction *The Consequence of Getting it Wrong* by William K. G. Palmer
- 4) Collecting Words of Citizens, collected by Catharine Crawford, M. Ed. (Counseling Psychology)

COUNCILLORS ISSUES

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Joseph Steffler and seconded by Frank Stretton:
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following
 Council Meeting Minutes as printed, circulated and amended.

Meeting
 Minutes

- a) Special Meeting – June 18th, 2013
 - b) Regular Meeting – June 18th, 2013
- Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Financer Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Ontario Regulation 284/09 – Budget Matters – Expenses

Finance Manger-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Michiels advised the Province of Ontario has passed Ontario Regulation 284/09 which requires Municipalities to acknowledge during the budget process the exclusion of the following:

- 1) Amortization Expenses
- 2) Post-Employment Benefit Expenses
- 3) Solid Waste Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Expenses

The regulation recognizes that these are large expenses for Municipalities and allows for them to be excluded from the annual budget as long as a resolution be adopted stating which of these expenses are excluded from the annual operating budget.

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Andrew Flowers:
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East adopt the report on Ontario
 Regulation 284/09 regarding excluded expenses of the 2013 budget. Carried.

Report on Ont.
 Reg. 284/09
 Excluded Expenses

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Reconciliation of Costs – Town Hall Renovations

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Michiels reviewed the report providing a reconciliation of costs for the Town Hall renovations. The initial contract accepted for the restoration costs at Seaforth Town Hall was estimated at \$477,662 net HST. Once work actually commenced on this project various issues were discovered that needed to be dealt with and repaired as the project progressed. Some of the various issues that arose were as follows:

- brick/mortar of the parapet walls was deteriorated further than originally anticipated;
- further restoration required on the dormers, woodwork, flashing and bell tower interior;
- further repairs to the roof eave line (corbelled brick band) as well as the roof framing wall plate;
- rotten roof sheathing boards;
- chimney repairs, vent & cap

The additional repairs were completed at a total cost of \$297,694 net HST bringing the total Seaforth Town Hall restoration contract cost to \$775,356 net HST. The architect fees are then added to the contract price bringing the total project costs to \$789,673 net HST.

CAO/Clerk – Grant Policy

Council received the report from the CAO/Clerk concerning the new grant policy adopted by the County of Huron. It was noted that Huron East has grant policies in place, although not as extensive as the County of Huron and it was recommended the County policy be used as information for a review of the existing Huron East grant policies.

Moved by Robert Fisher and seconded by Nathan Marshall:
That Council receive the Huron County Grants Policy and that the County Policy be used as information for a review of existing Huron East grant policies. Carried.

County Grants
Policy

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Vanastra Recreation Centre Renovations – Tenders

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Michiels reviewed the report on the tenders received for the renovations to the Vanastra Recreation Centre. Four tenders were received and opened on June 25th, 2013 in the presence of Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler, Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels, Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator John Hill, VRC Facility Manager Lissa Berard and Executive Assistant Janice Andrews. The tender results were as follows:

Contractor	Price (excluding taxes)
Feltz Design Build Ltd.	\$190,808
Vanden Heuvel Structures Ltd.	\$170,850
Player Carpentry & Masonry Inc.	\$151,900
Harold & Wayne Smith Construction Ltd.	\$203,300

Council had previously committed \$200,000 towards the VRC renovations (\$100,000 from Tuckersmith Reserves and \$100,000 from Facilities Reserves) and a fundraising component was mentioned but nothing was specifically committed to the project. A list of priority items were provided by the Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator's inspection report presented to Council on July 3rd, 2012 with a total estimate of \$195,185.30. A small portion of the work has been completed to date at a cost of \$26,415 leaving a balance of the \$200,000 commitment in the amount of \$173,585.

Current Summary of Proposed Project

-Remaining Huron East Commitment	\$173,585
-Player Construction Tender	(151,900)
-Engineering (estimated)	(18,400)
-Remaining items out for tendering	
Floor, ceiling & ductwork (estimated)	(99,000)
-HST	(4,825)
Project Deficit	(\$100,540)

The Vanastra Recreation Renovation project is currently proposed with a funding deficit of (\$100,540).

An Ontario Trillium Foundation grant application of \$35,000 has been submitted which would be applied towards the cost of the accessibility components of the project including the accessible washroom and a significant portion of the flooring improvements in the change rooms. The results of the grant application will not be announced until November 2013. If the Municipality is successful with the grant application for this project, a funding shortfall of approximately \$65,000 plus contingencies still remains. It was questioned if the building and fundraising committee anticipates raising this amount of funds to support the proposed project.

Moved by Les Falconer and seconded by Larry McGrath:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East accept the tender of Player Carpentry & Masonry Inc. in the amount of \$151,900 to complete renovations/ upgrades at the Vanastra Recreation Centre subject to determination of how the project will be fully funded. Carried.

Tender for
VRC Reno's
Player Carpentry
and Masonry Inc.

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Joseph Steffler:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East receive the following Reports of Municipal Officers as presented:

Receive
Reports

- a) Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
- b) CAO/Clerk

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

TILE DRAINAGE

FINANCIAL REPORT

PLANNING

Moved by Larry McGrath and seconded by Les Falconer:
Council of the Municipality of Huron East have no objection to the severance application of John and Sheila Calderwood (B18/13), Lot 5 and Part Lot 4, Concession 12, HRS, Tuckersmith Ward, provided the following conditions are met:

No Objection
Severance
B18/13
Calderwood

- i) that the severed and retained lands be rezoned to AG4 and AG2 respectively
- ii) that \$500 be paid to the Municipality as cash-in-lieu of parkland
- iii) that Section 65 of the *Drainage Act* be addressed to the satisfaction of the Municipality

Carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Andrew Flowers and seconded by Frank Stretton:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East receive the following Board and Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted:

Receive Board/
Committee
Minutes

1. Winthrop Community Centre Committee – May 11th, 2013

Carried.

Meeting Location

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised the July 30th Council meeting will be held at the Brussels Business & Cultural Centre commencing at 8:00 pm. Prior to the meeting Council will be provided a tour of the Grey Firehall, Brussels Public Library, Brussels Morris & Grey Community Centre and the Brussels Business & Cultural Centre.

St. Columban Wind Project

Council were advised that Renewable Energy Approval (REA) has been issued to St. Columban Energy LP (Veresen Inc.) for the St. Columban Wind farm and a copy of the Decision was loaded to the Environmental Registry on July 2nd, 2013.

Mayor MacLellan was disheartened that concerns expressed by the Municipality were not acknowledged by the Ministry and suggested the municipality needed to appeal the Decision. Written notice requesting a hearing by the Environmental Tribunal must be served within 15 days after the date the Decision was loaded to the Environmental Registry.

Moved by Andrew Flowers and seconded by Nathan Marshall:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East investigate and submit an appeal to the St. Columban Wind Project approval. Carried.

Submit Appeal
St. Columban
Wind Project

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Joseph Steffler: Closed Session
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East, pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act*, adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 8:05 p.m. to go into Closed Session to discuss the following:
 i) 239(2)(c) – a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality
 Carried.

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Joseph Steffler: Resume Regular Council Meeting
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East resumes the regular Council meeting at 8:42 p.m. Carried.

Moved by Frank Stretton and seconded by Andrew Flowers: Aljack Holdings Invoice – refer to Admin. Com.
 That the invoice and letter from Aljack Holdings (Jack VanDerWeg and Brian Barnim) for rent for the land on which the west Seaforth entrance sign is located, be referred to the Administrative Committee. Carried.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Larry McGrath: Introduce By-Laws
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Law No. 47 and 48 for 2013. Carried.

By-Law 47-2013 – Delegate County of Huron – Regulation of Woodlots
 By-Law 48-2013 – Confirm Council Proceedings Carried.

Moved by Les Falconer and seconded by Frank Stretton: Delegate Regulations of Woodlots to County of Huron
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 47 for 2013, a by-law to delegate regulation of woodlots to the County of Huron, be given first, second, third and final readings and signed by the Mayor and Deputy Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto. Carried.

Moved by Andrew Flowers and seconded by Nathan Marshall: Confirm Proceedings
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 48 for 2013, a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, be given first, second, third and final readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Joseph Steffler: Adjournment
 The time now being 9:00 p.m.
 That the meeting do now adjourn until July 16th, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

 Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

 Paula Michiels, Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk