# MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SEAFORTH, ONTARIO

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.** 

Members Present: Mayor Bernie MacLellan, Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler,

Councillors Frank Stretton, Alvin McLellan, David Blaney

Dianne Diehl, Allison Dekroon, Robert Fisher, Nathan Marshall, Larry McGrath and Les Falconer

**Members Absent:** Councillors Andrew Flowers

**Staff Present:** CAO/Clerk, Brad Knight

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Paula Michiels

Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills Economic Development Officer, Jan Hawley Public Works Manager, James Adkins Public Works Manager, Joe Ryan Executive Assistant, Janice Andrews

#### CALL TO ORDER

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

## <u>DISCLOSURE OF ELECTED OFFICIALS – PECUNIARY INTEREST</u>

# **DEPUTATIONS**

#### **COUNCILLORS ISSUES**

# MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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

a) Regular Meeting – October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Carried.

# **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**Moved** by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Frank Stretton: That the accounts payable in the amount of \$1,092,963.48 be approved for payment. Carried.

Accounts Payable

Meeting

Minutes

# REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

# Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator – Report

The Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator's quarterly report for July 1<sup>st</sup>, to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 was received by Council.

# <u>CAO/Clerk – Election Statistics</u>

CAO/Clerk Brad Knight reviewed his report on election statistics and provided an update to Council on the electronic voting system. It was noted that in 2010, advance polls were held on the Saturday of the Thanksgiving weekend with polls at Brussels and Seaforth with a turnout of 121 voters. The current election process commenced on the same holiday weekend and the total votes cast electronically between Friday and Monday were 365. Councillor Fisher noted that he had received several comments about Voter Identification Notices being issued to adult children who have moved from home, deceased persons receiving notices and duplicate notices. The CAO noted that there were likely similar issues with previous Voter's Lists, but with VIL's now being issued, errors of this nature were now being identified and a number of amendments and updates are being made to the Voter's List.

# <u>Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Vanastra Recreation Centre Renovations YTD Costs</u>

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed her report to Council on the year-to-date costs for the Vanastra Recreation Centre renovations. It was noted the total project costs to date are \$338,889 and the unfunded balance of the project is \$69,084. She noted that it was anticipated that the majority of the remaining balance would be raised by local fundraising by the VRC Fundraising Committee.

# Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 YTD Financial Statement

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed the September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Year to Date Financial Statement.

*Moved* by Allison Dekroon and seconded by Robert Fisher: Receive That Council of the Municipality of Huron East receive the following Reports reports of municipal officers as presented:

- a) Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator
- b) CAO/Clerk
- c) Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

*Moved* by David Blaney and seconded by Nathan Marshall: That the resolution from the Municipality of Killarney concerning the OPP billing method for properties located in Unorganized Townships so that they contribute their fair share to the overall Provincial Policing Costs be received and filed. Carried. Resolution Municipality of Killarney

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Robert Fisher: That Huron East council refer the request from the Seaforth Manor Residents' Council concerning repairs to a section of sidewalks along the northwest side of Goderich Street/Highway # 8 past Adams Street in Seaforth to the Public Works Coordinator. Carried.

Seaforth Manor Residents Sidewalk Concern Highway No. 8

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### <u>Councillor McLellan – Ethel Harvest Supper</u>

Councillor McLellan reminded Council there will be a Harvest Supper fundraiser for the Ethel Community Hall on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# <u>CAO/Clerk – Vanastra Recreation Centre Open House</u>

CAO/Clerk Brad Knight advised Council an acknowledgement ceremony for the building renovations and new community playground will be taking place at the Vanastra Recreation Centre on Friday October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 4:30 pm. The ceremony will acknowledge appreciation to the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Hydro One, CH2M HILL and the Municipality of Huron East for supporting the renovations and playground projects.

#### <u>Councillor Allison Dekroon – Plympton-Wyoming Wind Turbine Noise By-law</u>

Councillor Dekroon advised that the Municipality of Plympton Wyoming passed a by-law on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to provide for regulation of wind turbine noise. She requested that the by-law be provided to Council at the next meeting for discussion as to whether Huron East should consider a similar by-law.

# <u>Councillor Robert Fisher – Defibrillator – Seaforth Lions Park</u>

Councillor Fisher questioned how the Municipality could obtain a defibrillator for the Seaforth Lions Park. Mayor MacLellan advised all defibrillators within communities were donated to the County and a request could be submitted to the County Engineer who is in charge of EMS advising the Seaforth Lions Park is interested in obtaining one for their facility.

# MUNICIPAL DRAINS

# **TILE DRAINAGE**

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **PLANNING**

# **INFORMATION ITEMS**

*Moved* by Frank Stretton and seconded by Joseph Steffler: That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted:

Board/Committee **Meeting Minutes** 

1) Brussels Morris & Grey Board of Recreation Management Committee – October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Carried.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

*Moved* by Larry McGrath and seconded by Frank Stretton: That Council of the Municipality of Huron East, pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act*, adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 7:52 p.m. to go into Closed Session to discuss the following:

**Closed Session** 

- i) 239(2)(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege legal opinion on joining the coalition of concerned community groups
- ii) 239(2)(e) litigation Huron East vs. Affordable Housing Corporation
- iii) 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual (CAO/Clerk)

Carried.

*Moved* by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Frank Stretton: That Council of the Municipality of Huron East resumes the regular Council meeting at 8:32 p.m. Carried.

Resume Regular Council Meeting

*Moved* by Joseph Steffler and seconded by Les Falconer: That the request made by Huron East Against Turbines (HEAT) to act as an Intervenor in the Canadian Charter of Rights & Freedoms challenge to wind farm approvals and to join a coalition of concerned community groups be noted and filed. Carried.

HEAT request Intervenor to Charter of Rights Challenge - Wind Turbines - Noted and Filed

# **BY-LAWS**

*Moved* by Dianne Diehl and seconded by David Blaney: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Law No. 64 for 2014.

Introduce By-Laws

By-Law 64-2014 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

*Moved* by Les Falconer and seconded by Nathan Marshall: BE IT HEREBY REVSOLVED that By-Law 64 for 2014, 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.

Moved by Frank Stretton and seconded by Joseph Steffler.

Confirm Council Proceedings

Adjournment

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

<i>Moved</i> by Frank Stretton and seco	naca by Joseph Sterrier.	Aujournment
The time now being 8:35 p.m.		
That the meeting do now adjourn until No	ovember 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Carri	ied.
Bernie MacLellan, Mayor	Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk	