

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SEAFORTH, ONTARIO
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Bernie MacLellan, Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler, Councillors Alvin McLellan, John Lowe, Dianne Diehl, David Blaney, Brenda Dalton, Robert Fisher, Nathan Marshall, Larry McGrath, Kevin Wilbee and Raymond Chartrand

Members Absent: nil

Staff Present: CAO/Clerk, Brad Knight
 Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Paula Michiels
 Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills
 Economic Development Officer, Jan Hawley
 Executive Assistant, Janice Andrews

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: Adopt Agenda
 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated September 22nd, 2015 be adopted as circulated and amended. Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor McLellan declared a pecuniary interest and refrained from any discussion on the accounts payable as there is a cheque payable to a business he owns.

Councillor Marshall declared a pecuniary interest and refrained from any discussion on the accounts payable as there was a cheque payable to his employer.

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton: Adjourn to
Public Meetings
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 7:01 p.m. to go into Public Hearing to discuss the following:

- i) Zoning By-Law Amendment Application – Parts 4 and 6, 22R-6187, Part of Lot 24 and 25, Concession 1, geographic Township of McKillop, now within the Seaforth Ward, L Retirement Living Carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m. Reconvene Meeting

7:50 p.m. Huron East Against Turbines – St. Columban Wind Project

The following were in attendance for the presentation of Huron East Against Turbines (HEAT) – Allison Dekroon, Tom Melady, James Ryan, Carole-Michelle Cronin, Cindy Flanagan, Rita Moylan, Karen Ryan, Carol Ryan, Marg Whitmore, Bruce Whitmore, Maynard Hoegy, Patsy Crowley, Frank Crowley, Jen Dixon, Scott Dixon, Jim Murray, Dennis Mueller, Mary Eisler, Paul Eisler, Dan Nolan and Rhonda Nolan.

Jeanne Melady and Gerry Ryan, representatives of HEAT, made a presentation on behalf of a number of residents affected by the St. Columban Wind Project. The presentation included the following points:

- a) Outline areas of concern from residents affected by the wind turbine project at St. Columban
- b) Request protocols so that concerns can be documented and relayed to those agencies and people who can implement action to resolve them.
 - i) Municipality does not have noise by-law, consider quiet nights by-law
- c) That the Municipality respond to the EBR posting 012-4493 (extended until October 2nd, 2015).
- d) The commitment made to the community and Municipality in the REA of July 2, 2013
 - i) acoustic audit 12 months after commencement
 - ii) Community Liaison Committee – meetings were to be a minimum of 2 times per year for a minimum 2 year period
 - iii) record keeping of any complaint alleging an adverse effect caused by construction, installation use, operation, maintenance or retirement of facility

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Dianne Diehl:
That the accounts payable in the amount of \$2,862,080.26 be approved for payment. Accounts Payable
Carried.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton: Meeting Minutes
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following Council
Meeting Minutes as printed and circulated:
a) Regular Meeting – September 8th, 2015
b) Public Hearing – September 8th, 2015 Carried.

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**Chief Building Official, Pro-Tempore – Report**

The Chief Building Official Pro-Tempore Report summarizing the 2015 year-to-date building permits, zoning and tax certificates was received by Council.

Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator – Report

The Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator Report providing a summary from January to August of 2015 was received by Council.

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Small Communities Fund Intake 2 - EOI

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed her report to Council advising the Province is now accepting Expressions of Interest for a second intake for funding through the Small Communities Fund. It was recommended to Council that the reconstruction of Winnipeg and Toronto Streets in Vanastra at an estimated cost of \$713,525 be submitted with a request for 33% each from the federal and provincial funding. Expressions of Interest are due by September 30th, 2015.

Moved by Larry McGrath and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: Submit EOI
That the Municipality of Huron East submit the reconstruction of Winnipeg and SCF-Intake 2
Toronto Streets in Vanastra at an estimated cost of \$713,525 to the Small Communities Winnipeg and
Fund Intake 2 – Expression of Interest, requesting 33% each from the federal and Toronto Streets
provincial funding. Carried. Vanastra

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – 2014 Asset Management Plan (AMP) Expanded

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed her report to Council and provided a detailed analysis of the following eight categories contained within the 2014 Asset Management Plan:

- 1) Road Network
- 2) Bridges & Culverts
- 3) Water Infrastructure
- 4) Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure
- 5) Storm Sewer Infrastructure
- 6) Buildings
- 7) Machinery & Equipment
- 8) Vehicles

Council were advised that each category is assessed on condition vs. performance and funding vs. need with a letter grade system being used, with 'A' indicating excellent and 'F' indicating a fail. The Municipality of Huron East's overall grade on the eight asset categories contained within the 2014 AMP was 'C'. She noted that a financial plan is included in the 2014 AMP, to assist with identifying the financial resources required for sustainable asset management based on existing inventories, desired levels of service and project growth requirements. The capital planning module provides for analysis of the use of taxation, user fees, reserves and debt financing to develop scenarios that would enable the Municipality to achieve full funding within the desired amount of time. Based on the assets contained within the 2014 AMP, the Municipality of Huron East had an estimated cumulative annual infrastructure deficit for 2014 of \$644,000.

The Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk indicated that the AMP will be reviewed annually to update and improve the quality of data which will increase the accuracy of analysis. She further noted that the AMP will continue to evolve as a key document for the budgeting process and will influence the Municipality's Strategic Plan. She also noted that conducting assessments of asset conditions should be considered for the 2016 Budget and/or future budgets.

Moved by Robert Fisher and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Huron East Council receive the following Reports of Municipal Officers as presented:

- 1) Chief Building Official, Pro-Tempore
- 2) Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator
- 3) Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Receive
Municipal
Reports

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East proclaim October 19th to 25th, 2015 as ‘Waste Reduction Week’ within the Municipality. Carried.

Proclaim
Waste Reduction
Week

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Robert Fisher:
That Huron East Council grant permission to United Way Perth-Huron to install a banner across Goderich Street East, Seaforth Ward, for the month of November, 2015. Carried.

Grant Permission
United Way
Install Banner

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Larry McGrath:
THAT WHEREAS Capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 4.0;
WHEREAS Fritz Egger (the “Applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a FIT Solar Photovoltaic Rooftop Project (the “Project”) on 43571 Jamestown Road, Bluevale (Huron East), Ontario: PIN: 41347-0054 (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of Huron East under the Province’s FIT Program;
AND WHEREAS the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of Huron East indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;
AND WHEREAS pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 4.0, Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council of the Municipality of Huron East supports the construction and operation of the Project on the Lands. This resolution’s sole purpose is to enable the Applicant to receive Priority Points under the FIT Program and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to the Application or Project or any other purpose.

Support
Rooftop
Solar Project

Carried.

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Kevin Wilbee:
That Council accept the recommendation of the Administration Committee and that Council refer the September 3rd, 2015 letter from Tom Williamson concerning the operation of Bachert Meats (43181 Blyth Road) to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. Carried.

Refer Williamson
Concern
Bachert Meats
to OMAFRA

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
That Council refer correspondence received from Donna and Mervyn Bauer concerning roadside drainage issues at 42682 Bolton Road to Joe Ryan, Drainage Superintendent and Barry Mills, Public Works Coordinator. Carried.

Bauer
Drainage Issues
42682 Bolton Rd.

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Larry McGrath:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the Municipality of Central Huron requesting OMAFRA fill the positions that are currently vacant in the Clinton OMAFRA office and further that OMAFRA services continue to be provided on a daily basis. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
Municipality of
Central Huron

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

PLANNING

COUNCIL REPORTS**Councillor Blaney – Notice of Motion – Economic Strategic Committee**

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East consider Councillor Blaney's motion for the ratepayer member on the Economic Strategic Committee to be compensated. Carried.

Notice of
Motion

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East authorize the ratepayer individual on the Economic Strategic Committee to be compensated at the same rate as the council members on the committee, including mileage. Carried.

Ratepayer
on Economic
Strategic Com.
Compensated

Councillor Lowe – E-waste, Department Head Reports and Huron East Clothing

1. Questioned if an e-waste program was available in Huron East.
2. Suggested that Agenda Item 7 (Reports & Recommendations of Municipal Officers) include monthly reports from all department heads and that they be in attendance at the Council meeting to answer questions on their reports.
3. Questioned if Huron East clothing was available to purchase.

Mayor MacLellan suggested a response to the above items be included on the next regular meeting agenda.

Councillor McGrath left the meeting at 9:33 pm

Councillor Chartrand – Vanastra Recreation Centre Building & Fundraising Committee and Solar Project

Councillor Chartrand advised the 60-60 swim-a-thon fundraiser held on September 10th was very successful and a total of \$2,284 was raised. Councillor Chartrand also expressed appreciation to all those who donated to the event.

Councillor Chartrand advised he attended a public information meeting on September 16th, 2015 for the proposed ground mount solar project on Lot 195, Plan 131, Vanastra. Councillor Chartrand noted that 10 residents were in attendance to hear a presentation from LIFE Co-operative and Vanastra Packaging.

Announcements

Councillor Chartrand advised the Vanastra Early Childhood Learning Centre will be holding a 40th Anniversary/Open House celebration on September 26th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm to acknowledge their 40th Anniversary and also the name change from the former Tuckersmith Day Nursery.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by David Blaney:
That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted:

Board/Committee
Meeting Minutes

- 1) Vanastra Recreation Centre Committee – September 15th, 2105
 - 2) Vanastra Recreation Centre Building & Fundraising Committee – September 15th, 2015
- Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS**St. Columban Wind Project (Agenda Item 5-19-2)**

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Council refer the delegation request of Gerry Ryan and Jeanne Melady concerning the St. Columban Wind Project to staff to prepare a report on the action/decisions being requested of Council. Carried.

BY-LAWS

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Raymond Chartrand:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce
By-Laws No. 63 and 64 for 2015.

Introduce
By-Laws

By-Law 63-2015 – Zoning Amendment – Parts 4 and 6, 22R-6187, Part of Lot 24 and 25, Concession 1, Geographic Township of McKillop, now within Seaforth Ward (JL Retirement Living)

By-Law 64-2015 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Kevin Wilbee:
 THAT WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Huron East has held a public meeting pursuant to Section 34 (12) of the Planning Act, 1990, with respect to a proposed zoning by-law 63-2015;
 AND WHEREAS certain changes have been made to the proposed by-law after holding of the public meeting;
 NOW, THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of Huron East RESOLVES that, pursuant to Section 34 (17) of the Planning Act, 1990, the changes were of such a nature that no further notice is to be given in respect to the proposed by-law.
 Carried.

No Further
 Notice Given
 Zoning
 Amendment
 JL Retirement
 Living

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by John Lowe:
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 63 for 2015, a by-law to amend the zoning on Parts 4 and 6, 22R-6187, Part of Lot 24 and 25, Concession 1, Geographic Township of McKillop, now within Seaforth Ward, 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.

Zoning
 Amendment
 JL Retirement
 Living

CLOSED SESSION AND REPORTING OUT

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Kevin Wilbee:
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East, pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act*, adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 9:45 p.m. to go into Closed Session to discuss the following:

Closed Session

i) 239(2)(c) – proposed or pending acquisition of land (Seaforth Entrance Sign)
 CAO/Clerk Brad Knight and Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels shall remain for the meeting.

Carried.

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by David Blaney:
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East resumes the regular Council meeting at 9:53 p.m. Carried.

Resume
 Regular Council
 Meeting

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by David Blaney:
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 64 for 2015, 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.

Confirm
 Council
 Proceedings

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Joseph Steffler:
 The time now being 9:55 p.m.
 That the meeting do now adjourn until October 6th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

Adjournment

Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk