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

TUESDAY, MARCH 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Bernie MacLellan, Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler

Councillors David Blaney, John Lowe, Brenda Dalton, Kevin Wilbee,

Robert Fisher, Larry McGrath and Raymond Chartrand

Members Absent: Councillors Dianne Diehl, Nathan Marshall and Alvin McLellan

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

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Paula Michiels

Deputy Clerk, Mark Gilpin

Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills Fire Chief/CEMC, Marty Bedard

Economic Development Officer, Jan Hawley Public Works North Patrol Foreman, Joe Ryan

Matt Townsend, Paul Dodds and Brian McGavin, members of the IPM -2017 Board of Directors attended the meeting to hear the discussion of the Notice of Motion, IPM -2017 Tent Building Permits, Waste Disposal, Water and Sewage.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bernie MacLellan called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

## **CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

*Moved* by John Lowe and seconded by Raymond Chartrand That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Carried.

Adopt Agenda

**Meeting Minutes** 

Adjourn to

**Public Meeting** 

## **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

*Moved* by John Lowe and seconded by Joe Steffler That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following Council Meeting Minutes as printed and circulated:

Carried.

a) Regular Meeting – February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017

## PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

7:08 p.m. Public Meeting – Zoning By-Law Amendment

*Moved* by Joe Steffler and seconded by John Lowe: That Council of the Municipality of Huron East adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 7:08 p.m. to go into a Public Meeting to discuss the following:

a) Zoning By-Law Amendment Application – North Part Lot 59 and 60, Concession 1, Grey Ward (Jason and Alyssa Snider).

Carried.

Council reconvened the regular meeting at 7:16 p.m.

## 7:16 p.m. Court of Revision – Tindell Municipal Drain 2017

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by David Blaney:

That the Court of Revision for the Tindell Municipal Drain 2016 be
Open Court of Revision
opened and that Councillors Chartrand, Wilbee and Dalton be appointed as the
Huron East members with Councillor Chartrand acting as Chair.

Carried.

No appeals were received.

*Moved* by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton: Close

That the Court of Revision for the Tindell Municipal Drain 2016 be Court of Revision

closed. Carried.

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

#### REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

 $\underline{Finance\ Manager-Treasurer/Deputy\ Clerk-2017\ Budget-2^{nd}\ Draft}$ 

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of the 2017 Budget for consideration by Council. The Finance Manager advised the budget had been revised as directed by Council and the general municipal levy had been increased \$108,000 to cover the one time expenses of the 2017 International Plowing Match. A one time draw on the bridge reserves amounting to \$600,000 has been added to the 2017 Budget – 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft to assist with the Vanastra reconstruction project of Winnipeg Street, Toronto Boulevard and Regina Road.

The Finance Manager advised Council that the proposed sound system at the Vanastra Recreation Centre will be funded through fundraising, therefore a transfer from the VRC fundraising reserve has been added to the Budget  $-2^{nd}$  Draft. The Finance Manager advised Council that the 2017 Budget  $2^{nd}$  Draft is in a balanced position with an overall Municipal levy increase of 5.86% and an estimated County levy increase of 9.31%. The draft Municipal levy combined with the draft County levy represents an overall 6.09% increase, but she advised the Education levy is unknown at this time. The Finance Manager provided some additional clarification to the budget in the following areas;

<u>Special Area Rates</u> – The special area rate levy for the Brussels Streetlight system has been doubled from \$25,000 to \$50,000 to assist in paying down the conversion debenture for the system in the 2017 Budget.

<u>Recreation</u> – A summary of the levy changes for the recreation centres was provided and it was noted that the base levies for the three recreation centres were increased by 4.5% in recognition of the dependence of the facilities on wages and utilities costs. A special capital levy was provided to BMG in the amount of \$90,000 and SDCC in the amount of \$110,000 and the levy changes were summarized as follows:

|                                | <u>2016 Levy</u> | <u>2017 Levy</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BMGCC                          | \$247,741        | \$304,498        | \$57,351        |
| SDCC                           | 205,134          | 283,843          | 78,709          |
| VRC                            | 204,233          | <u>186,370</u>   | (17,863)        |
| Total Recreation Levy Increase | \$656,514        | \$774,711        | \$118,197       |

It was noted that the Huron East share of the total recreation levy increase was \$99,186 or equivalent to 2.6% general municipal levy increase.

<u>Public Works</u> – The Finance Manager advised that because no decision had been reached on the status of the replacement backhoe, she had left it in the budget. Council decided that for 2017, repairs to the backhoe up to \$20,000 could be completed to allow the continued use of the unit.

*Moved* by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: That Council of the Municipality of Huron East direct the Treasurer to remove the backhoe (\$150,000) from the 2017 Budget. Carried.

Remove Backhoe from 2017 Budget

The draft 2017 budget will be discussed further at the next regular meeting.

CAO/Clerk – By-Law 16-2017 – Acquisition of North Part Lot 34, Plan 305, Cranbrook, Grey Ward CAO/Clerk Brad Knight reviewed his report to Council regarding By-Law 16-2017, a by-law to acquire the North Part of Lot 34, Plan 305 (Cranbrook). The CAO/Clerk provided Council with a history of the property and its ownership and advised the property consisted of a small parcel of land adjacent to an unopened road allowance which a previous owner had filed a notice of possession over. He noted that the property had been through a tax sale and was now in an estate and that a derelict cottage on the property was located on an unopened road allowance (Parliament Street). The estate had indicated that it was not interested in the property and given the potential liability, the CAO/Clerk recommended to Council that the most equitable and cost-effective resolution would be for the estate to transfer the property to the Municipality. The CAO/Clerk advised that the Municipality would clean up the property, plant trees and maintain it in a park-like state.

*Moved* by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Larry McGrath: That Council concur with the recommendation of the CAO/Clerk to acquire the North Part of Lot 34, Plan 305 (Cranbrook) and any third party costs to acquire and clean up the property be taken from parkland reserves. A recorded vote was requested by Councillor McGrath:

Acquire Pt. Lot 34, Plan 305 (Cranbrook)

| McLellan, Alvin   | Absent | Grey Ward        |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|
| MacLellan, Bernie | Yes    | Mayor            |
| Dalton, Brenda    | Yes    | McKillop Ward    |
| Blaney, David     | Yes    | Brussels Ward    |
| Diehl, Dianne     | Absent | Grey Ward        |
| Steffler, Joe     | Yes    | Deputy Mayor     |
| Lowe, John        | Yes    | Brussels Ward    |
| Wilbee, Kevin     | Yes    | McKillop Ward    |
| McGrath, Larry    | No     | Tuckersmith Ward |
| Marshall, Nathan  | Absent | Seaforth Ward    |
| Chartrand, Ray    | Yes    | Tuckersmith Ward |
| Fisher, Robert    | Yes    | Seaforth Ward    |

Motion Carried.

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

Receive Reports Municipal

- 1) Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
- 2) CAO/Clerk

Carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **MUNICIPAL DRAINS**

#### **PLANNING**

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### Councillor Chartrand – Recreation Committee Strategic Planning

Councillor Chartrand advised Council that Huron East's three recreation committees recently held their third and final strategic planning session and expressed support for the process. CAO/Clerk Brad Knight advised Council that a number of participants requested an additional session which will be scheduled in the near future.

#### Councillor Lowe - Ladies Night event at the BMG

Councillor Lowe advised Council that the BMG Recreation Committee was sponsoring a Ladies Night as a fundraiser on Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

The CAO/Clerk advised Council those recommendations from the Administration Committee (February 6, 2017) and the Water & Sewer Committee (February 14, 2017) would require resolutions of Council.

#### Administration Committee - 2017 IPM Tent Building Permits, Waste Disposal, Water & Sewage

The CAO/Clerk advised Council that the Administration Committee recommendation to charge for some of the water, sewage waste disposal and building permits for tents had raised some concerns within the Ontario Plowmen's Association and the local IPM Committee of Council's support for the event. Mayor MacLellan noted that the Administration Committee was certainly appreciative of the efforts of the IPM, but noted that the Committee had considered these fees as reasonable expenses to the event, but acknowledged that there had been some misunderstandings between both sides as to the expectations of the Municipality as hosting partner.

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Joe Steffler:

That in recognition of Huron East being recognized as a Hosting Partner to
The 2017 IPM that Council reject the recommendation of the Administration
Committee to charge tent building permit fees and \$5,000 for water, sewage
and waste disposal services to the 2017 IPM "tented" city. Carried.

*Moved* by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by David Blaney: That any Huron East "area-rated" or "user-pay" services provided to the 2017 IPM be provided from the Huron East general levy. Carried.

Services for 2017 IPM General Levy

## Water & Sewer Committee – CH2M HILL 2016 Annual/Summary Reports

*Moved* by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton: That Huron East Council receive and accept the 2016 Annual Operations Reports from CH2MHILL OMI for the following Huron East Water Systems:

Receive/Accept Annual Operation Reports

| System     | System Number |
|------------|---------------|
| Brucefield | 220007604     |
| Brussels   | 220001487     |
| Seaforth   | 220001511     |
| Vanastra   | 210001585     |

Carried.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

*Moved* by Joe Steffler and seconded by Larry McGrath: That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted:

Board/Committee Meeting Minutes

- 1) Huron East Administration Committee February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- 2) Huron East Water & Sewer Committee February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- 3) Seaforth & District Community Centres Management Committee February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- 4) Huron East Economic Development Committee January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

Carried.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **BY-LAWS**

*Moved* by Brenda Dalton and seconded by David Blaney: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Laws No. 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 for 2017.

Introduce By-Laws

By-Law 16-2017 – Authorize Acquisition – Part Lot 34, Plan 305 and Part of Parliament Street, Plan 305, Cranbrook, Grey Ward, Estate of George Arnold Campbell

By-Law 17-2017 – Authorize OCIF Top-Up Application Component Agreement

By-Law 18-2017 – Temporary Use Zoning Amendment – Part Lots 59 and 60, Concession 1, Grey Ward

By-Law 19-2017 – Authorize Agreement – Garden Suite – Part Lots 59 and 60, Concession 1, Grey Ward

By-Law 20-2017 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

Moved by Larry McGrath and seconded by Kevin Wilbee:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 16 for 2017, a by-law to authorize acquisition of Part Lot 34, Plan 305 and Part of Parliament Street, Plan 305,

Grey 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.

Authorize Acquisition Pt. Lot 34, Plan 305, Cranbrook

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Kevin Wilbee:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 17 for 2017, a by-law to authorize an Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund – Top-Up Application Component Agreement, 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.

OCIF Top-Up Component Agreement

*Moved* by Brenda Dalton and seconded by David Blaney: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 18 for 2017, a by-law to authorize a temporary use zoning amendment on North Part of Lot 59, North Part of Lot 60, Concession 1, Grey 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. Temporary Use Zoning Pt. Lots 59-60 Con. 1 Grey Ward *Moved* by Joe Steffler and seconded by John Lowe: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 19 for 2017, a by-law to authorize an Agreement between Jason Snider, Alyssa Snider and Donna Snider, regarding the garden suite on North Part Lot 50, North Part Lot 60, Concession 1, Grey 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. Authorize
Agreement
Garden Suite
Pt. Lots 59-60
Con. 1 Grey Ward

## **CLOSED SESSION AND REPORTING OUT**

#### **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

*Moved* by John Lowe and seconded by Joe Steffler: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 20 for 2017, 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**

| <b>Moved</b> by Brenda Dalton and The time now being 9:03 p.m. That the meeting do now adjourn unt | Adjournment            |             |
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| Bernie MacLellan, Mayor  | Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk | <del></del> |