

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SEAFORTH, ONTARIO
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.

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

Members Absent: Councillors Dianne Diehl and Larry McGrath

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: Adopt Agenda
 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated September 4th, 2018 be adopted as circulated and amended to add the following item:
 8.17.3 – Federation of Canadian Municipalities – concerning Section 33 (the notwithstanding clause) of the Charter of Rights and Freedom. Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Alvin McLellan declared a pecuniary interest on accounts payable cheque number 11283 concerning the Tindell Municipal Drain as he is an owner of land assessed to the drainage works.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Joseph Steffler: Meeting Minutes
 That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following Council Meeting Minutes as printed and circulated:
 a) Regular Meeting – September 4th, 2018 Carried.

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

7:00 p.m. Maitland Valley Conservation Authority

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer and Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Services Coordinator of the MVCA, attended before Council to provide an update on the following:

- MVCA's priorities over the next three years
- Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure Cost Sharing
- Logan's Mill

They indicated the MVCA has developed a three-year work plan with the following priorities:

1. Strengthen Flood and Erosion Safety services to help municipalities reduce the potential for loss of life, property damage and social disruption from flood events.
2. Strengthen Watershed Stewardship Services to help municipalities/landowners put stewardship systems in place retains soil/nutrients on land and out of municipal drains, rivers and Lake Huron.
3. Stabilize Financial Base to include:
 - a) Development of a three year work plan and budget and update annually so that always planning three years ahead
 - b) Identify ways to reduce operating and infrastructure costs
 - c) Limit levy increases to between \$55,000 and \$58,000 per year

They further advised that the MVCA Board is in the process of developing a policy for how MVCA's recreational water and erosion control infrastructure should be cost shared going forward given that there is limited Provincial funding for maintaining the structures. It was noted that the current practice for the recreational structures is to cover the cost from the general levy and any funding that may be available from the Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) fund. The proposed policy would move the funding responsibility to a 50/50 basis with the host municipality similar to major flood control works with a provision that if a structure needs to be decommissioned then MVCA would cover 100% of the costs of removal with the local municipality being given the opportunity to take over ownership of the structure.

Stewart Lockie advised that the MVCA's Board have identified that the Logan's and Maitland Mills are surplus to the Authorities needs. A group of community members interested in trying to restore both mill buildings has formed the Maitland Mills Project Steering committee to look at repairing and finding a use for both structures. To date the committee has been successful in obtaining an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant to complete a feasibility study. The committee is currently working on becoming an incorporated body as the Maitland Mills Association and is working with the Authority on potential agreements regarding the leasing or obtaining ownership of both buildings sometime in the future.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Joseph Steffler and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: Accounts Payable
That the accounts payable in the amount of \$3,331,401.88 be approved for payment. Carried.

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Chief Building Official – Report

The Chief Building Official report for August 2018 be received by Council.

CAO/Clerk – RED Application with Morris-Turnberry

CAO/Clerk Brad Knight reviewed his report to Council regarding submission of a joint RED (Rural Economic Development) funding application with the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry for the development of a Brussels & Area Industrial Land Strategy. The deadline for applications is September 28th and provides 50% funding of projects that enhance local economies and remove barriers to economic development.

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Kevin Wilbee: Funding Application RED Program
That the Municipality of Huron East endorse a joint application with the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry to the Rural Economic Development (RED) program for the development of a Brussels & Area Industrial Land Strategy. Carried.

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Year-to-Date Financial Statement

The August 31st, 2018 year-to-date Financial Statement was received by Council. Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed the statement in detail.

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – FCM Municipal Asset Management Program

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed her report to Council concerning submission of a funding application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Municipal Asset Management Program to obtain the conditional assessments on Huron East's roads and building assets. The deadline for applications is October 23rd, 2018 and funding up to 80% of eligible projects costs to a maximum of \$50,000 may be provided.

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by Raymond Chartrand: Funding Application FCM Asset Management Program
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council of the Municipality of Huron East direct staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for Huron East's Roads and Building Assets; AND FURTHER that the Municipality of Huron East commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

- obtain condition assessments on all Huron East's road and building assets

AND FURTHER that the Municipality of Huron East commits \$12,500 from its 2019 budget toward the costs of this initiative. Carried.

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Nathan Marshall:
Huron East Council receive the following Reports of Municipal Officers as presented:

1) Chief Building Official
2) CAO/Clerk
3) Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Receive
Municipal Reports

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Raymond Chartrand and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East have no objection to the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority proceeding with the *Yellow Fish Road* environmental awareness program in Seaforth/Egmondville. Carried.

No Objection
ABCA
Yellow Fish Road
Program

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the Township of Amaranth concerning the North American Free Trade Agreement negotiations and the Dairy Management System in Canada. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
Township of
Amaranth

Moved by David Blaney and seconded by John Lowe:
That the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution passed by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities with respect to the use of Section 33 (notwithstanding clause) of the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* that has the effect of overriding local decision-making and democratic rights at the local level;

Endorse
Resolution
FCM
Section 33
Notwithstanding
Clause

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Education, Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition, John Fraser, Interim Leader of the Liberal Party and the City of Toronto. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

PLANNING

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by David Blaney:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East has no objection to severance application C58/18 of Howick Homes Ltd. on Part Park Lot 9, Plan 194, Part 3, 22R-6636, Brussels Ward, provided the following condition is met:

No Objection
C58/18
Howick Homes
Ltd.

- i) that \$500 be paid to the Municipality as cash-in-lieu of parkland

Carried.

Notice of Appeal – Miriam Terpstra – Zoning By-Law 53-2018

Council were advised that GSP Group Inc., on behalf of Meriam Terpstra, have filed a Notice of Appeal on Council's decision regarding Zoning By-Law 53-2018. The CAO advised that appeals to zoning by-laws and amendments are now submitted to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal under Environment and Land Tribunals Ontario

COUNCIL REPORTS

Building Committee Meeting – BMGCC

Councillor Alvin McLellan reported that the building committee was holding a meeting to go over the final drawings for the proposed renovations to the arena. The committee will be attending the Brussels Fall Fair and also meeting with the user groups and service clubs and expect to present to the public the end of November.

Ethel Annual Harvest Supper

Councillor Alvin McLellan advised the Ethel Annual Harvest Supper is being held on Sunday, October 28th, 2018 and tickets are available.

Seaforth Legion – Armistice Day Celebrations

Deputy Mayor Joseph Steffler advised the Seaforth Legion will be holding Armistice Day Celebrations on November 4th, 2018 in memory of veterans as it's the 100th Anniversary of the First World War and tickets are available.

Cyber Security

Councillor Kevin Wilbee advised of recent media coverage regarding cyber attacks on municipalities, noting smaller municipalities can be targeted. Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels advised the Municipality is positioned well for these types of attacks however it is never 100% guaranteed. Council were also advised the municipality is in the process of developing an RFP for insurance coverage and there will be an option included for cyber security.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Robert Fisher:

That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee Meeting Minutes as submitted:

Meeting Minutes

- 1) Huron East/Seaforth Community Development Trust – August 2nd, 2018
- 2) Huron East Water & Sewer Committee – August 28th, 2018
- 3) Seaforth & District Community Centres Management Committee – August 29th, 2018
- 4) Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust – September 6th, 2018

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESSBY-LAWS

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Raymond Chartrand:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Laws 65, 66, 67 and 68 for 2018

Introduce
By-Laws

By-Law 65-2018 – Temporary Road Closure – Seaforth Fall Fair Parade and Brussels Fall Fair Parade

By-Law 66-2018 – Temporary Road Closure – Bike Nike – Portion of King Street, Brussels Ward

By-Law 67-2018 – Establish a Joint Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee

By-Law 68-2018 – Confirm Council Proceedings Carried.

Moved by Nathan Marshall and seconded by Alvin McLellan:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 65 for 2018, a by-law to temporarily close a portion of Sports Drive, Turnberry Street (County Road 12), Ainley Street and Ellen Street in Brussels Ward and Duke Street and Main Street (County Road 12) in 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.

Temporary
Road Closures
Fall Fair
Parades

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by David Blaney:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 66 for 2018, a by-law to temporarily stop up a portion of King Street, Brussels 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
Road Closure
Bike Night
Brussels

Moved by Kevin Wilbee and seconded by Joseph Steffler:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 67 for 2018, a by-law to establish and appoint members to a Joint Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee, 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.

Joint Municipal
Election
Compliance
Audit Committee

CLOSED SESSION AND REPORTING OUTCONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Nathan Marshall:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 68 for 2018, 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.

Confirm
Proceedings

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Raymond Chartrand:
The time now being 9:17 p.m.
That the meeting do adjourn until October 2nd, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Carried.

Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk