

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE AUDITORIUM AT THE SEAFORTH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE
SEAFORTH, ONTARIO
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor, Bernie MacLellan, Deputy Mayor Robert Fisher, Councillors John Lowe, Zoey Onn, Dianne Diehl, Alvin McLellan, Brenda Dalton, Gloria Wilbee, Joe Steffler, Larry McGrath and Raymond Chartrand

Absent: nil

Staff Present: CAO/Clerk, Brad Knight
Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills
Economic Development Officer, Jan Hawley
Executive Assistant, Janice Andrews

Others Present: Shawn Loughlin, Editor, The Citizen

Kyle Henderson attended the meeting to hear the discussion on By-Law 62-2020 to exempt certain lands from Part Lot Control (Item 15.18.1).

Bryan Vincent attended the meeting to hear the discussion on the Seaforth Lions Club request for temporary road closure to accommodate a Santa Claus Parade (Item 5.18.1).

CALL TO ORDER & MAYOR’S REMARKS

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

CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Gloria Wilbee:
That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated October 20th, 2020 be adopted as circulated. Carried.

Adopt Agenda

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Ray Chartrand:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following Council Meeting Minutes as printed and circulated:
a) Regular Meeting – October 6th, 2020
b) Public Meeting – October 6th, 2020

Meeting
Minutes

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

7:00 p.m. Cathy Elliott, Seaforth Lions Club Santa Claus Parade

Seaforth Lions Club Santa Claus Parade Chair Cathy Elliott attended before Council to request that Council close Hensall Road from Hydro Line Road to Highway 8 on Friday, November 27th, 2020 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm to allow for a “drive by” Santa Claus Parade. Ms. Elliott advised the Lions Club will observe COVID-19 protocols and are proposing to have floats sit stationary on Hensall Road to allow cars to drive by the floats. The CAO noted if Council wishes to authorize the request, a by-law to temporarily close a section of Hensall Road would be prepared for consideration at the next meeting. . Mayor MacLellan suggested that in order to give Council time to consider the request, this matter be discussed further under unfinished business later in the meeting.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Robert Fisher:
That the accounts payable in the amount of \$1,171,449.48 be approved for payment. Carried.

Accounts
Payable

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

CAO/Clerk – Committee Appointments

CAO/Clerk Brad Knight reviewed his report to Council concerning a review of Council/citizen appointments to various Committees. Council were advised that provisions in Section 5 of Huron East Procedural By-Law require a review of Councillors and citizen appointments to various Committees, generally completed at the mid-point of a Council term. The CAO proposed that information/comments regarding appointments be forwarded to the Mayor or the CAO prior to November 17th to assist the Mayor in his review of appointments to Committees. It is anticipated Council will be in a position to approve any changes at the December 15th, 2020 meeting.

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
That Council initiate a review of Council/Citizen appointments to Committees
with a deadline for comments to be received by the Mayor and CAO of
November 17th, 2020. Carried.

Committee
Appointments

Public Works Coordinator – Tender – Replacement of Bridge Structure T-13 – Kinburn Line

Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills reviewed his report to Council concerning tenders received for the replacement of Bridge Structure T-13 on Kinburn Line. Council were advised that tenders were received before Noon on October 15th, 2020 and opened by Councillor Joe Steffler, CAO/Clerk Brad Knight, Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills and BM Ross representative Ryan Munn. Tenders received were as follows:

VanDriel Excavating	2,603,347.03
McLean Taylor Construction Ltd.	1,995,767.04
Finnbilt General Contracting Limited	2,353,163.45
Looby Builders (Dublin) Limited	2,268,701.69
Premier Concrete Inc.	2,428,227.68
Carlington Construction Inc.	2,635,001.79

Funding for this project is based on the successful application for a total cost of \$2,564,100 to Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Rural and Northern Stream as follows:

Federal Government	\$1,282,050.00
Provincial Government	854,614.53
Municipality of Huron East	<u>427,435.47</u>
	\$2,564,100.00

Council were advised the Huron East portion is to be funded from the Bridge Reserves and incorporated into the 2021 Budget, noting this project is the largest single expenditure in the 5-year forecast of bridge needs for the Municipality.

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Larry McGrath:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East accept the tender of McLean
Taylor Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$1,995,767.04 plus applicable taxes
for the replacement of Bridge Structure T-13 on Kinburn Line. Carried.

Accept Tender
Bridge T-13

Moved by Zoey Onn and seconded by Joe Steffler:
That Huron East Council receive the following Reports of Municipal Officers
as presented:
(1) CAO/Clerk
(2) Public Works Coordinator

Municipal
Officers
Reports

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Larry McGrath:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the
Township of Asphodel-Norwood requesting a governing body in cannabis
production that:
1. Takes a unified approach to land use planning restrictions;
2. Enforces the regulations under the Cannabis Act on behalf of the
licencing agency and ensures local authorities are in fact provided with
notification of any licence issuance, amendment, suspension, reinstatement,
or revocation within their region;
3. Communicates more readily with local governments; and
4. Provides local governments with more support.

Endorse
Resolution
Township of
Asphodel
Norwood

Carried.

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Ray Chartrand:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim urging the Federal Government to amend the legislation under which unlicensed and unmonitored cannabis grow operations operate to ensure the safety and rights of the local communities in which they are situated are respected. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
Township of
Blandford
Blenheim

Councillor Ray Chartrand provided an update on two cannabis operations located within Vanastra and questioned how the Municipality can enforce regulations pertaining to these operations and protect the residents in the area. Mayor MacLellan requested staff to investigate options to provide the Municipality with more authority to enforce regulations and this matter will be discussed further at the next Administration Committee meeting.

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Gloria Wilbee:
That Council declare the 2022 Brussels Homecoming Committee composed of the following as a Committee of Council:

2022 Brussels
Homecoming
Committee of
Council

Dan Fritz (Chair)	Mike Thomas (Vice Chair)
Crystal McCallum (Secretary)	Deb Seili (Treasurer)
Brad Beuermann	Jason Crawford
Kaitlyn Pipe	Pam McLean
Zoey Onn	John Lowe

Carried.

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of Loyalist Township requesting confirmation from the governments of Ontario and Canada that funding will be available for local smaller charities, community groups and service clubs affected by the pandemic. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
Loyalist
Township

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East note and file the request of the Township of Lake of Bays concerning reform to the Municipal Insurance Policy and requesting the Premier of Ontario consider an amendment to Bill 124 to make it a requirement for building permits that the building contractor name be disclosed and the contractor provide proof of insurance. Carried.

Note & File
Resolution
Township of
Lake of Bays

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Seaforth Santa Claus Parade

Council were supportive of the Seaforth Lions Club request to temporarily close a section of Hensall Road to accommodate a Santa Claus Parade on November 27th, 2020 and directed staff to prepare a by-law to authorize the closure.

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

PLANNING

COUNCIL REPORTS

County of Huron Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan

Deputy Mayor Bob Fisher advised the County of Huron has recently developed a Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan to be implemented over the next 5 years.

Recycling Bins – Brussels Ward

Councillor Zoey Onn advised that despite ongoing education efforts, some people continue to put garbage in the recycling bins in the Brussels Ward. Councillor Onn requested video cameras be installed at the bins to assist in identifying and enforcing proper use of the bins. Mayor MacLellan suggested Councillor Onn provide a notice of motion concerning her request at the next regular meeting to allow staff time to investigate this matter further.

Welcome to Howick Signage

Councillor John Lowe questioned if the newly erected Welcome to Howick sign that is located on Amberly Road in Grey Ward could be relocated to the north side of the road within the Township of Howick. Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills will contact the Township of Howick to request the sign be moved.

Maitland Valley Conservation Authority – Brussels Area

Councillor John Lowe spoke to a motion of Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust, requesting Council to consider purchasing the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority area located in Brussels. Councillor Lowe advised that the Brussels Trust would pay for purchase of the land and act as the management board and Huron East could continue the current financial commitments i.e. grass cutting and liabilities. Mayor MacLellan requested additional information be provided to Council and this matter remain on the agenda for a future meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Brenda Dalton:

That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee meeting minutes as submitted:

Meeting Minutes

(1) Huron East/Seaforth Community Development Trust – September 3rd, 2020

(2) Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust – September 17th, 2020

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS**BY-LAWS**

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Alvin McLellan:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Laws 62 and 63 for 2020:

Introduce
By-Laws

By-Law 62-2020 – Part Lot Control Exemption – Lot 61, Part Lot 62, Plan 394, R126725,
Seaforth Ward (Bradley Henderson)

By-Law 63-2020 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Alvin McLellan:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 62 for 2020, a by-law to exempt certain lands from Part Lot Control, Lot 61, Part Lot 62, Plan 394, R126725, Seaforth Ward (Bradley Henderson), 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.

Exempt Lands
Pt. Lot Control
Henderson

CLOSED SESSION AND REPORTING OUT (Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*)**CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Dianne Diehl:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 63 for 2020, 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
Proceedings

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Ray Chartrand:

The time now being 8:28 p.m.

That the meeting do adjourn until November 3rd, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

Adjournment

Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk