

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE AUDITORIUM AT THE SEAFORTH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE
SEAFORTH, ONTARIO

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 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
Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Paula Michiels
Public Works Coordinator, Barry Mills
Economic Development Officer, Jan Hawley
Executive Assistant, Janice Andrews

Others Present: Shawn Loughlin, Editor, The Citizen

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 Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Ray Chartrand:
That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated November 3rd, 2020
as circulated with the following addition:
Item 15.19.7 – By-Law 69-2020 – Temporary Road Closure – Portions of Turnberry
Street and Flora Street, Brussels Ward – Remembrance Day Service

Adopt Agenda

Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Gloria Wilbee:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East approve the following Council
Meeting Minutes as printed and circulated:
a) Regular Meeting – October 20th, 2020

Meeting
Minutes

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

7:03 p.m. Public Hearing – Minor Variance Application 05-2020

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East adjourn the regular meeting of
Council at 7:03 p.m. to go into a Public Hearing to discuss the following:

Adjourn to
Public Hearing

- a) Minor Variance Application MV05-2020 – 43664 Line 34, East Part
Lot 15, Concession 1, McKillop Ward (Elisabeth and Cornelius Peters)

Carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:09 p.m.

Reconvene
Regular Council

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator – Report – July to September 2020

The Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator Report for the period July to September,
2020 was received by Council.

Drainage Clerk – Tenders – Cox Municipal Drain and Burrows ‘B’ Drain Improvement 2020

The CAO reviewed the report from the Drainage Clerk concerning tenders received for the completion of the Cox Municipal Drain and Burrows ‘B’ Drain Improvement 2020. Council were advised that tenders were received prior to October 20th, 2020 at 12:00 pm and opened by Councillor Ray Chartrand, CAO/Clerk Brad Knight, Public Works Manager Barry Mills, Drainage Clerk Miranda Boyce and Trevor Kuepfer of R. J. Burnside & Associates. It was noted that one tender was received from Robinson Farm Drainage Limited in the amount of \$196,775.00.

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Alvin McLellan:	Accept Tender
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East accept the tender of Robinson Farm Drainage Limited in the amount of \$196,775.00 plus applicable taxes for the completion of the Cox Municipal Drain and Burrows ‘B’ Drain Improvement 2020.	Robinson Farm Drain.
Carried.	Cox Drain

Public Works Coordinator – Designate portion of Gouinlock Street, Seaforth Ward One-Way

Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills reviewed his report to Council concerning designating a portion of Gouinlock Street in Seaforth Ward as a one-way street. Council were advised that the second phase of the reconstruction of County Road 12 through downtown Seaforth is nearing completion. It was noted that part of this project included the installation of a fully signaled Intersection Pedestrian Signal (IPS) on Seaforth Main Street/Gouinlock Street and designating Gouinlock Street a one-way street upon the initiation of the pedestrian crossing. A by-law to consider the designation will be considered by Council later in the meeting.

Public Works Coordinator – Connecting Link Program 2021-22 Project Application

Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills reviewed his report to Council concerning submission of a grant application to the Province of Ontario for the Connecting Link Program 2021-22. The grant application will be for Phase 2 of the Connecting Link (Highway No. 8) from County Road 12 west to the Seaforth town limits. The proposed work includes road resurfacing, replacement of municipal watermain, storm sewer and sanitary sewer upgrades. Work will be phased in over two construction seasons noting preparation of the final design and approvals will be undertaken during 2021 with construction in 2022, if the funding application is approved.

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Ray Chartrand:	
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East authorize a grant application under the Province of Ontario Connecting Link Intake Program 2021-22 for the resurfacing and rehabilitation of Highway No. 8 west of County Road 12, Phase 2 located in the Town of Seaforth. Carried.	Connecting Link Intake Program 2021-22

CAO/Clerk – Brussels Trust Resolution

CAO/Clerk Brad Knight reviewed his report to Council concerning the dam/conservation area located in Brussels. As discussed at the October 20th, 2020 meeting, staff were directed to bring a report back to Council on options for the Brussels dam/conservation area that is currently owned by the Maitland Valley Conservation Area (MVCA). Council were advised the Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust passed the following motion at their September 17th, 2020 meeting.

Moved by Zoey Onn and seconded by Paul Mutter: “That the HE/Brussels Trust be the conduit for the Maitland Mills for the purchasing the land and, Huron East assume ownership of the Maitland Valley conservation area in Brussels, and furthermore, that the HE/Brussels Trust would pay for said purchase and also act as the management board. Huron East will continue with current financial commitments i.e. grass cutting and liabilities.” Motion Carried.

The CAO noted that the Municipality currently supported the MVCA park area by cutting the grass and assisting MVCA staff with the installation/removal of the stop logs in the dam. He also noted that the Municipality assisted with a 2007 Trillium grant along with the Brussels Optimist Club, the Brussels Trust and other community groups to enhance the MVCA Park and the Municipality absorbed the hydro/water/sewer costs of the new washroom/pavilion

The CAO suggested that given the level of community support and involvement in the property, that the Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust would be in a better position to own, manage and promote the property, noting that community betterment was within the mandate of the Trust and that the Trust had the ability to own property

The resolution of the Huron East/Brussels Community Development Trust and the CAO’s report generated several questions and comments from Councillors including;

- cost of purchasing dam/conservation area
- current costs by Municipality and MVCA to maintain the property

- MVCA long term plans for the property
- That a future Brussels Trust meeting would provide more clarity to the intention of the Trust's resolution

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Bob Fisher:
That Council defer any recommendations regarding the Brussels MVCA conservation area until additional information is obtained and instruct staff to obtain additional financial information. request. Carried.

Defer Brussels
Trust
Resolution

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

Municipal
Officers
Reports

- (1) Building & Property Maintenance Coordinator
- (2) Drainage Clerk
- (3) Public Works Coordinator
- (4) CAO/Clerk

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Zoey Onn and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the County of Wellington requesting the Province to work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and review the current assessment scheme for aggregate resource properties to address the inequity of property values. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
County of
Wellington

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the Township of Oro Medonte requesting the Government of Ontario consult with the ski industry through the Ontario Snow Resorts Association to review re-opening policy considerations currently impacting the industry. Carried.

Endorse
Resolution
Township of
Oro Medonte

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by Dianne Diehl:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the appointment of North Huron Councillor Paul Heffer for the Central Grouping (North Huron, Morris-Turnberry and Huron East) on the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee. Carried.

Endorse
Appointment
Paul Heffer
Source Protect.
Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

PLANNING

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East acknowledge the report of Huron County Planner Laura Simpson dated October 28th, 2020 and has no objection to severance application C78/20 of Karl and Astrid Guntensperger on Lot 22, Concessions 3 and 4, McKillop Ward. Carried.

No Objection
C78/20
Guntensperger

Site Plan Control Application – Lots 4 to 10, Plan 22M16, McKillop Ward, Pol Quality Homes Inc.

Huron County Planner Laura Simpson presented her report to Council dated October 29th, 2020 on the Site Plan Control Application on Lots 4 to 10, Plan 22M216, McKillop Ward. Ms. Simpson advised the application is to permit construction of a seven-unit multiple attached dwelling. It was noted the subject development has an approved Plan of Subdivision, which received final approval for Phase 1 in September 2020. The Site Plan has been reviewed by CAO/Clerk Brad Knight, Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills, Chief Building Official Brad Dietrich and Planner Laura Simpson. The Huron County Planning Department recommended Council enter into a Site Plan Agreement with the owner of the Pol Quality Homes Inc. subdivision development. A by-law to authorize a Site Plan Control Agreement will be considered by Council later in the meeting.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Huron Hospice Campaign

Mayor Bernie MacLellan advised that the funding request to the County of Huron by the Huron Hospice of \$650,000 to assist with a \$2.7 million capital project was denied. Mayor MacLellan noted the County values the hospice palliative care provided however felt it required provincial funding.

Notice of Motion – Councillor Zoey Onn – Recycling Bins

Moved by Zoey Onn and seconded by John Lowe:
That staff be directed to bring a report back to Council on improper and illegal dumping at recycling bins and compost areas in Huron East. Carried.

Request Report
Recycling Bins
Compost areas

Garbage/Recycling – Turnberry Street, Brussels Ward

Councillor John Lowe requested the tenants and/or owner of the apartment building at 700 Turnberry Street in Brussels be advised of appropriate disposal procedures for garbage/recycling. Public Works Coordinator Barry Mills advised he will follow up on this matter and contact the owner to advise of the concerns.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Zoey Onn and seconded by Larry McGrath:
That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee meeting minutes as submitted:

Meeting Minutes

- (1) Huron East Joint Health & Safety Committee – October 21st, 2020
Carried.

OTHER BUSINESSBY-LAWS

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Joe Steffler:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce By-Laws 47, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 and 70 for 2020:

Introduce
By-Laws

By-Law 47-2020 – Cox Municipal Drain and Burrows ‘B’ Drain Improvement 2020 (3rd reading)

By-Law 64-2020 – Deem Lots 237, 238, 239 and 240, Plan 192, Brussels Ward, not to be part of a registered plan of subdivision

By-Law 65-2020 – Authorize Site Plan Control Agreement – Lots 237, 238, 239 and 240, Plan 192, Brussels Ward (Lavis)

By-Law 66-2020 – Authorize Site Plan Control Agreement – Lots 4 to 10, Plan 22M16, McKillop Ward (Pol Quality Homes Inc.)

By-Law 67-2020 – Temporary Road Closure – portion of Hensall Road – Seaforth Santa Claus Drive-By Parade

By-Law 68-2020 – Designate portion of Gouinlock Street, Seaforth Ward as one-way street

By-Law 69-2020 – Temporary Road Closure – portions of Turnberry Street and Flora Street, Brussels Ward, Remembrance Day Service

By-Law 70-2020 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 47-2020, a by-law to provide for the borrowing on the credit of the Municipality for the completion of the Cox Municipal Drain and Burrows ‘B’ Drain Improvement 2020, be given third and final reading and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto. Carried.

Cox Municipal
Drain & Burrows
‘B’ Drain 2020
3rd reading

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Zoey Onn:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 64 for 2020, a by-law to deem Lots 237, 238, 239 and 240, Plan 192, Brussels Ward not to be part of a registered plan of subdivision, 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.

Deem Lots
237,238,239,240
Plan 192
Brussels not pt.
plan subdivision

Moved by John Lowe and seconded by Zoey Onn:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 65 for 2020, a by-law to authorize a Site Plan Control Agreement on Lots 237, 238, 239 and 240, Plan 192, Brussels Ward (Lavis), 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.

Site Plan
Control Agree.
Lavis

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Joe Steffler:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 66 for 2020, a by-law to authorize a Site Plan Control Agreement on Lots 4 to 10, Plan 22M16, McKillop Ward (Pol Quality Homes Inc.), 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.

Site Plan
Control Agree.
Pol Quality
Homes Inc.

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Ray Chartrand:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 67 for 2020, a by-law to temporarily stop up a portion of Hensall Road, McKillop Ward to accommodate the Seaforth Santa Claus Drive-By Parade, 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.

Seaforth
Santa Claus
Drive-By
Parade
Rd. Closures

Moved by Robert Fisher and seconded by Joe Steffler:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 68 for 2020, a by-law to designate a portion of Gouinlock Street, Seaforth Ward as a one-way street, 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.

Gouinlock St.
One Way Street

Moved by Larry McGrath and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 69 for 2020, a by-law to temporarily close sections of Turnberry Street and Flora Street, Brussels Ward to accommodate the Brussels Remembrance Day Service, 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.

Brussels
Remembrance
Day Service
Rd. Closures

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

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by Brenda Dalton and seconded by Larry McGrath:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 70 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 Ray Chartrand and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
The time now being 8:40 p.m.
That the meeting do adjourn until November 17th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

Adjournment

Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk