

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 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

Others Present: Shawn Loughlin, Editor, The Citizen

Andrew Glenn attended the meeting to hear the proceedings of Council.

CALL TO ORDER & MAYOR'S REMARKS

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

Mayor MacLellan noted that he had attended the Remembrance Day ceremony in Seaforth to lay a wreath on behalf of the Municipality and he stated that he was impressed in how well the ceremony was organized to comply with Covid-19 protocols and the individuals who chose to attend the event to pay respects were very cognizant of social distancing during the ceremony.

Mayor MacLellan also noted that in response to a request for input from Huron Perth Medical Officer of Health Dr. Miriam Klassen, he along with the CAO had drafted a letter to Dr. Klassen suggesting that with an active educational campaign, that it was the hope of Huron East to remain in the Prevent Zone (Green) rather than moving into the Protect Zone (Yellow). He noted that the Municipality had provided a timely response, but with the increase in Covid-19 cases in Huron-Perth, the County was moved into the Protect category before she received the letter – the Mayor noted he was supportive of the Medical Officer of Health's decision and acknowledged that the potential for a quick spread of the virus required quick and proactive decisions by the Medical Officer of Health.

CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by John Lowe:
That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated November 17th, 2020
as circulated.

Adopt Agenda

Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Larry McGrath declared a pecuniary interest and refrained from any discussion on the accounts payable as there was an EFT (No. 000000002751) payable to the company he owns (Item 6).

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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

Meeting
Minutes

- a) Regular Meeting – November 3rd, 2020
- b) Public Hearing – November 3rd, 2020

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

7:00 p.m. Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) – Healthy Watersheds

Mari Veliz, Healthy Watersheds Manager, ABCA, attended before Council to provide an update on some of the watershed monitoring efforts and reports developed by the ABCA Healthy Watersheds department. Ms. Veliz provided a powerpoint presentation noting the department has worked with

communities along Lake Huron, and within watersheds of the Bayfield and Ausable Rivers and Lake Huron tributaries since 2002. The department also partners with various agencies to support education and outreach, community actions and monitoring efforts.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That the accounts payable in the amount of \$1,586,502.71 be approved for payment. Carried.

Accounts
Payable

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Chief Building Official – Report – October 2020

The Chief Building Official Report for the period ending October 31st, 2020 was received by Council.

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

Finance Manager-Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Paula Michiels reviewed the October 31st, 2020 year-to-date financial statement.

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Ray Chartrand:
That Huron East Council receive the following Reports of Municipal Officers as presented:

Municipal
Officers
Reports

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

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Joe Steffler and seconded by Dianne Diehl:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East acknowledge the 2021 Budget of the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority with a 0.56% overall decrease for 2021 and the total Huron East levy projected at \$62,749 (0.81%). Carried.

ABCA
2021 Budget

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Dianne Diehl:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of Norfolk County requesting solutions to the current illicit cannabis grow operations that are a significant issue in many municipalities in Ontario. Carried.

Resolution
Norfolk
County

Moved by Ray Chartrand and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the City of Belleville requesting the Province of Ontario consider providing funding support and training resources to municipalities to meet compliance standards of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. Carried.

Resolution
City of
Belleville

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by John Lowe:
That Council of the Municipality of Huron East endorse the resolution of the City of Hamilton requesting the Province of Ontario consider amending its licensing and application process for Cannabis Retail Stores to consider radial separation from other cannabis locations. Carried.

Resolution
City of
Hamilton

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL DRAINS

PLANNING

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mid-Huron Landfill Site

Mayor MacLellan advised that the volume of leachate at the Mid-Huron landfill site had not decreased as anticipated after the installation of the final clay cover. Committee members and staff are continuing to meet with the consulting engineer to find solutions, but a solution could have a significant impact on the financial reserves of the site.

Huron Out of the Cold: Heart to Home Program

Deputy Mayor Bob Fisher advised the County of Huron has expanded the efforts of the previous Out of the Cold program, with increased funding and staff specially trained in trauma informed care, substance use, and mental health services. The new program aims to provide an emergency shelter that also offers wrap-around supports for homeless individuals in Huron County.

Consent Applications C58/20 and C59/20 – Kyle and Lori Henderson

Councillor Ray Chartrand inquired of the Mayor on the status of the consent applications of Kyle and Lori Henderson (C58/20 and C59/20) noting that Huron East had not provided clear direction on the application.

Mayor MacLellan advised the County of Huron had approved consent applications C58/20 and C59/20 of Kyle and Lori Henderson to provide for 3 residential lots on the property.

Virtual Council Meetings

Councillor John Lowe advised that Huron-Perth Health Unit region is currently in the Yellow Protect level of the provincial COVID-19 response framework and questioned whether in-person Council meetings were essential and suggested a return to virtual format. Council were in agreement to returning to a virtual meeting format.

Notice of Motion – Water & Sewer CommitteeAgreement – ABCA – PART IV, Enforcement of Source Water Plans

It was noted that the Water & Sewer Committee had recommended to Council that Council enter into an agreement with the ABCA to provide *PART IV* enforcement of Source Water Plans that By-Law 71-2020 to authorize an Agreement with the ABCA will be considered by Council later in the meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Alvin McLellan and seconded by John Lowe:
That Huron East Council receive the following Board and Committee meeting minutes as submitted: Meeting Minutes
(1) Huron East Water & Sewer Committee – November 10th, 2020
Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS**BY-LAWS**

Moved by Robert Fisher and seconded by John Lowe:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that leave be given to introduce Introduce
By-Laws 71, 72 and 73 for 2020: By-Laws

By-Law 71-2020 – Authorize Agreement – Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority – PART IV of the *Clean Water Act, 2006*

By-Law 72-2020 – Part Lot Control Exemption – Lots 221 and 222, Plan 389, Parts 1 and 5, RP 22R-6841, Seaforth Ward, Trailblazers Homes Ltd.

By-Law 73-2020 – Confirm Council Proceedings

Carried.

Moved by Gloria Wilbee and seconded by Larry McGrath:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 71 for 2020, a by-law to authorize an Agreement with the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority for enforcement and jurisdictional authority of PART IV of the *Clean Water Act, 2006*, 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. Agreement
ABCA
PART IV
Clean Water
Act, 2006

Moved by Larry McGrath and seconded by Joe Steffler:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that By-Law 72 for 2020, a by-law to exempt certain lands from Part Lot Control, Lots 221 and 222, Plan 389, Parts 1 and 5, RP 22R-6841, 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. Pt. Lot Control
Lots 221/222
Plan 389
Trailblazers
Homes Ltd.

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

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by Dianne Diehl and seconded by Brenda Dalton:
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 John Lowe and seconded by Alvin McLellan:
The time now being 8:32 p.m.
That the meeting do adjourn until December 1st, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

Adjournment

Bernie MacLellan, Mayor

Brad Knight, CAO/Clerk