

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HURON SHORES
February 12, 2020 (20-03)

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, and called to order by Mayor Georges Bilodeau at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Georges Bilodeau, Councillors Gord Campbell, Nancy Jones-Scissons, Debora Kirby, Blair MacKinnon, Darlene Walsh and Dale Wedgwood.

REGRETS: Councillors Jock Pirrie and Jane Armstrong

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Administrator Deborah Tonelli; Deputy Clerk Natasha Roberts;

AGENDA REVIEW

No changes.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Wedgwood declared a pecuniary interest respecting Item 5 pertaining to the Hughes Supply Account.

Councillor Kirby declared a pecuniary interest respecting Item 5 pertaining to the Tulloch Engineering Account.

Councillor MacKinnon declared a pecuniary interest respecting Item 9-7 pertaining to the Iron Bridge Lions Club request for donation.

Councillor Jones-Scissons declared a pecuniary interest respecting Mayor Bilodeau's report regarding the teleconference with Thessalon First Nation Negotiator Jane Thomas.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

20-03-01 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the
G. Campbell Regular Meeting of Council held Wednesday, January 8,
D. Wedgwood 2019, as circulated. CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

20-03-02 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves payment of the
G. Campbell General Accounts, excluding items of Pecuniary Interest,
D. Wedgwood for the period from January 8, 2020 to February 12, 2020
in the amount of **\$618,107.15**. CARRIED.

20-03-03 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves payment of the
G. Campbell **Armstrong Enterprises** accounts, dated January 9,
D. Wedgwood 2020, in the amount of **\$2,395.60**. CARRIED.

20-03-04 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves payment of the
D. Walsh **Hughes Supply** accounts, dated January 9 and January
D. Kirby 28, 2020, in the amount of **\$567.12**. CARRIED.
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: D. Wedgwood

20-03-05 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves payment of the
D. Walsh **Tulloch Engineering** accounts, dated January 9 and
D. Wedgwood January 28, 2020, in the amount of **\$7,567.93**. CARRIED.
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: D. Kirby

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

None.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Public Works Report:

The Report outlined the proposed 2020 roads projects. Council deliberated and queried a number of items with further discussion taking place under Item 8d-1, below.

Council Reports:

Mayor Bilodeau spoke to the public consultation sessions he participated in, via web, on January 13 and 14, respecting **public health and emergency health services**, conducted by Jim Pine, Advisor to the Ministry of Health.

Mayor Bilodeau reported on his attendance at the **MNRF Draft Forest Sector Strategy session** on January 29, 2020, in Sault Ste. Marie.

Mayor Bilodeau spoke about AECOM's Well Report findings from the **Ward 1 Waste Disposal Site** on Highway 129 and that he will continue to research the levels of aluminum and iron found.

Clerk/Administrator advised of a teleconference she, Mayor Bilodeau and Councillor Campbell had with Thessalon First Nation Negotiator Jane Thomas and Susan Schaus, **Ministry of Indigenous Affairs**. Councillor Jones-Scissions declared a conflict of interest and departed Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

Councillor Campbell and Mayor Bilodeau discussed the conversation held with Dr. Thomas and Ms. Schaus.

At the behest of Councillor Wedgwood, Council instructed Clerk/Administrator to provide a letter to the Minister, with copy to Dr. Thomas, of all the contacts between the Municipality and the Ministries, respecting this matter, from 2006 to-date. Councillor MacKinnon spoke to the injunction, 4 years later, and Council concurred with concerns that this issue is not being carried forward.

With Council approval, Item 8e was moved forward.

Notices of Motion

Councillor Wedgwood presented a notice of motion to address, with the Ministry of Indigenous Affairs, the financial hardship the injunction is placing on the Municipality.

Councillor Jones-Scissions returned to Council Chambers at 7:50 p.m. I advised Councillor Jones-Scissions that the Notices of Motion had been moved forward.

GENERAL BUSINESS

8a. Planning Act Matters
None.

8b. By-laws
None.

8c. Minutes - Boards and Committees

On a query from Councillor Campbell, Clerk/Administrator will seek clarification respecting denial of the Treasurer's access to the Library account balance.

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20-03-06 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the **Minutes** of
D. Walsh the following municipal boards/committees:
D. Kirby - Huron Shores Public Library Board, December 3/19 and
January 7/20; and
- Economic Development Advisory Committee, December
5/19. CARRIED.

- Member organizations

Councillor Kirby sought clarification respecting the EARSA meeting minutes.

20-03-07 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the **Minutes** of
D. Kirby the following board on which the Municipality has
D. Walsh representation:
- Algoma Public Health – Recreational Centre Healthy
Food, August 20/19;
- East Algoma Roads Superintendents Association, January
8/20;
- Algoma Public Health – Board of Health, November
27/19; and
- Algoma District Services Administration Board, November
23/19. CARRIED.

8d. Motions

8d-1. Motion: to approve amalgamated tender requirements (*also see Report*)

Council further deliberated the proposed projects identified in the Public Works Superintendent's Report and, for the purpose of this evening's discussion specific to the amalgamated tender requirements, Council decided to remove the Eley Road surface treatment project and, at the recommendation of Councillor Wedgwood, conduct further research on the benefits of asphalt vs. surface treatment.

Clerk/Administrator advised that the updated Roads Inventory should be available soon. On queries from Councillors Campbell and Kirby, respectively, Clerk/Administrator will inquire with the Public Works Superintendent as to why patching material is not included in the amalgamated tender and inquire as to culvert sizing on the Dayton Road project.

20-03-08 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes participation in
D. Kirby the **East Algoma Road Superintendent Association**
D. Walsh **Amalgamated Tender Process** for Supplies and
Materials required in 2020;
AND THAT the Materials and Supplies required be as set
out in spreadsheet dated February 6th, 2020 entitled "2020
Amalgamated Tender Requisition Form". CARRIED.

8d-2. Motion: to appoint Roger Mulligan to the Environmental Committee

20-03-09 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Roger Mulligan to
D. Walsh the **Environmental Committee**. CARRIED.
D. Kirby

8d-3. Motion: to authorize Clerk/Administrator to write joint letter with the Big Basswood Lake Association (BBLA) re results of the Septic System Re-inspection Survey

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Clerk Tonelli read aloud the proposed letter drafted by BBLA. Council discussed the draft letter, the Report (see Item 10-1), and follow-up by Algoma Public Health to address any faulty systems found.

20-03-10 WHEREAS the **Big Basswood Lake Association** (BBLA)
N.Jones-Scissons has completed its Septic System Re-Inspection Survey of
D. Wedgwood participating properties surrounding Big Basswood Lake;
AND WHEREAS Council, via resolution No. 18-04-19,
agreed to act as a partner with the BBLA for administrative
assistance as required;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council
authorizes Clerk/Administrator to work with the BBLA in
delivering a letter regarding the results to all participants
of the **Septic System Re-Inspection Survey**. CARRIED.

8d-4. Motion: to advertise for joint volunteer member on Seniors Advisory
Committee for the Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre
Clerk Tonelli spoke to the motion.

20-03-11 WHEREAS the **Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre** has
N.Jones-Scissons invited members from the municipalities within the new
B.MacKinnon catchment area to appoint a member to its Seniors
Advisory Committee;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council
authorizes the Clerk/Administrator to advertise, jointly
with the Town of Bruce Mines, Township of Plummer
Additional, and Town of Thessalon, for a joint volunteer
member to the **Seniors Advisory Committee**. CARRIED.

8d-5. Motion: to authorize Clerk/Administrator to write letter to Leigh
Freemen re: Road 'K'

20-03-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Clerk/Administrator author a letter
G. Campbell to Leigh Freeman, Negotiator, Ministry of Indigenous
D. Wedgwood Affairs, for the Mississauga First Nation Highway
Agreement, to confirm the Municipality's interest in
historical **Road 'K'** and Council's concern respecting
Provincial oversight and errors made in addressing these
historical roads with municipal governments. CARRIED.

8d-6. Motion: to make application to OTF Seed Grant for Natural Playground
Councillor MacKinnon spoke to the motion.

20-03-13 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the
B.MacKinnon Clerk/Administrator to make an application for funding
N.Jones-Scissons under the **Ontario Trillium Fund (OTF) Seed Grant** for
the proposed **Little Rapids Natural Playground**, to be
submitted by the February 26th, 2020 deadline. CARRIED.

8d-7. Motion: to confirm resignation of John Hamel from the Little Rapids
Recreation Complex Committee, effective June 14/19

20-03-14 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts with regret the
D. Kirby resignation of **John Hamel** from the **Little Rapids**
N.Jones-Scissons **Recreation Complex Committee**, effective June 14th,
2019. CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

9-1. Town of Deep River – Premiers to Develop Nuclear Reactor Technology
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9-2. Michael Mantha, MPP – “Till Death Do Us Part Act” petition

20-03-15 WHEREAS correspondence was received from the Office of
N.Jones-Scissons Michael Mantha, MPP, requesting support for the petition
D.Wedgwood titled **Support Bill 153, the Till Death Do Us Part Act**.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize
display of the above mentioned petition at the front desk
of the Municipal Office until the end of March, 2020;
AND THAT the signed petition be forwarded to Michael
Mantha, MPP. CARRIED.

9-3a. Office of the Solicitor General – OPP Roundtable, Feb. 24/20, Sudbury
9-3b. AMO – Government announces consultation on re-composition of OPP
Detachment Boards

20-03-16 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Mayor Bilodeau
D.Wedgwood to attend the regional round table discussion convened by
N.Jones-Scissons the Office of the Solicitor General to discuss the upcoming
regulatory changes related to **Ontario Provincial Police
services**, under the *Community Safety and Policing Act,
2019 (CSPA, 2019)*; to be held February 24, 2020, in
Sudbury;
AND THAT it cover all associated expenses. CARRIED.

9-4. Statistics Canada – Community Snapshot Toolkit

9-5. Town of Thessalon – Huron North West Physician Recruitment and
Retention Committee 2020 budget

20-03-17 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs that the requested
N.Jones-Scissons contribution of \$4,000.00 from the **Huron North West
D.Wedgwood Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee** be
deferred to 2020 Budget deliberations. CARRIED.

9-6. Communities in Bloom – Scotts Gro for good Grants

9-7. Iron Bridge Lions Club Inc. – request for financial contribution to
Family Baseball Tournament Weekend

20-03-18 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes a donation in
D. Kirby the amount of \$400.00 to the **Iron Bridge Lions Club** to
D. Walsh assist with the cost of hiring a children's face painter and
balloon artist during its **Family Baseball Tournament**;
AND THAT said donation be included in the 2020 Municipal
Budget. CARRIED.
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: B. MacKinnon

9-8. Office of Michael Mantha MPP – Green New Democratic Deal
consultations

9-9. Government of Canada – Universal Broadband Fund

9-10. Service Canada – Canada Summer Jobs applications (deadline Feb. 24)

20-03-19 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the
B.MacKinnon Clerk/Administrator to make application to **2020 Canada
D.Kirby Summer Jobs** under Employment and Social
20-03-19 – cont. Development Canada for six (6) individuals necessary to
fulfill the requirements of the 2020 Summer Municipal
activities. CARRIED.

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9-11. Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries – Summer Experience Program applications (deadline Feb. 27)

20-03-20 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the
B.MacKinnon Clerk/Administrator to make application under the **2020**
D.Walsh **Summer Experience Program** for one (1) student,
through the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and
Culture Industries. CARRIED.

9-12. Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services – Poverty Reduction Strategy survey

9-13. Rainy River District Municipal Association – Resolution to Address Fair and Equitable Property Taxation Revenue on Railway Right-of-Ways Collected by Municipalities in Ontario

9-14. Seniors' Health Advisory Committee, Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma District – request for resolution

20-03-21 WHEREAS public health care consistently ranks as the top
D.Wedgwood priority in public opinion polls;
G.Campbell AND WHEREAS Public Health provides vital health promotion and prevention services based on the unique demographic and economic, social, and cultural needs of our communities;
AND WHEREAS the evidence from hospital amalgamation in Ontario and across Canada is that they have cost billions of dollars and have not yielded the promised administrative savings but have taken money away from frontline care;
AND WHEREAS there is no evidence to support the proposed closure of 25 out of 35 local Public Health units, the closure of 12 of 22 local ambulance dispatch centres, and the closure of 49 out of 59 local ambulance services;
AND WHEREAS there is a deep consensus among virtually all stakeholders that increasing acuity in our long-term care homes requires additional staff and resources, not cancellation of the two special funds and real dollar cuts to per diem funding of our long-term care homes;
AND WHEREAS our local hospitals have been downsized for an entire generation and cannot meet population needs while sustaining real dollar cuts to hospital global budgets;
AND WHEREAS we recognize that the provincial government has named a facilitator to conduct consultations on the proposed closures and mergers of local Public Health Units, local ambulance dispatch centres, and local ambulance services;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Huron Shores calls upon the Ontario government to halt the closures of, mergers of, and cuts to our local health care services including Public Health Units, land ambulance services, hospitals and long-term care homes;
AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministries of Health and Long-Term Care and the Seniors' Health Advisory Committee Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma District. CARRIED.

9-15. Village of Merrickville-Wolford – Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

9-16. Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition – AGM February 18/20

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

10-1. Tulloch Engineering - Big Basswood Lake Septic Inspection Report

20-03-22 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Clerk/Administrator be directed to
N.Jones-Scissons contact Chairman, Larry Allcorn, Big Basswood Lake
D.Kirby Association, to request that assumptive statements
contained in the Summary of the **Big Basswood Lake
Septic Inspection Report**, dated 2019, be removed or
reworded. CARRIED.

10-2. Jim Wilson, MPP – Ontario Govs. supporting Ontario’s beekeeping sector

10-3. Ontario Provincial Police Municipal Policing Bureau – News Bulletin Jan/20

10-4a. AECOM – Project Status Report #13 – Wards 1-4 (2016)

10-4b. AECOM – Project Status Report #2 – Wards 1-4 (2019)

10-4c. AECOM – letter to MOECC – Groundwater Monitoring Network Approval

10-5. Township of Perth South – Enforcement of Safety on Family Farms

10-6. AMO Watchfile – (a) Jan.23; (b) Jan.30; (c) Feb.6

10-7. Ontario Farmland Trust – 2020 Forum, March 26/20

10-8. City of Sarnia – OPG’s Deep Geologic Repository Project

10-9. CENGN – Community Expressions of Interest for Sowerby and Dean Lake

10-10. Hydro One Networks Inc. Replacement of Wood Pole Transmission Structures located in Huron Shores

10-11. Biomass North Development Centre – cessation of operations

10-12. Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry – Forest Management Plan Inspection Northshore Forest 2020-2030

10-13. Township of Madoc – Joint and Several Liability Consultation

10-14. Ontario Electronic Stewardship – Dec. 31/20 Contract Termination

10-15. Ministry of the Solicitor General – update to Field and Advisory Services structure

10-16. HNCEA – November Newsletter

CLOSED SESSION

None

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

20-03-23 BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #20-09**, being a By-law of
D.Wedgwood the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to
G.Campbell **Adopt the Minutes** of the Special Council Meeting and
the Regular Council Meeting held on Wednesday, February
12, 2020, authorizing the taking of any action authorized
therein and thereby, was read a first, second and third
time and passed in open Council this 12th day of February,
2020. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

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20-03-24
D. Wedgwood
G. Campbell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does adjourn at 8:59 p.m.
CARRIED.

MAYOR

CLERK