



The Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores
Regular Meeting Minutes

21-35
November 24, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

1. Call To Order

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, November 24, 2021, and called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council and Staff in Attendance

In Council Chambers: Mayor Bilodeau; Councillors MacKinnon, Pirrie, and Wedgwood; and Clerk/Administrator Tonelli

Via Zoom: Councillors Armstrong, Jones-Scissions, Kirby, and Walsh; Deputy Clerk Roberts; and Administrative Assistant Nyman

Via Phone: Councillor Campbell

2. Agenda Review

The concurred with deferral of the following items:

- Item 8.1.1: Ontario Land Tribunal - Minutes if Settlement re: Lajambe enterprises Inc. Appeal;
- Item 8.2.4: By-law # 21-63: to Execute an Extension Agreement with Jason Smith for provision of By-law Enforcement & Animal Control Officer Services;
- Item 8.4.3: at the request of Councillor Wedgwood, consideration of contracting Public Works:
and, at the request of Mayor Bilodeau, the addition of Item 11.3 to closed session re: to address personal matters regarding fraudulent emails.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Adoption of Council Minutes

21-35-01

Moved by N. Jones-Scissions

Seconded by D. Walsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council and Closed Session held Wednesday, November 10, 2021, and the Special meeting of Council and Closed Session held Tuesday, November 16, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Adoption of Accounts

None.

6. Delegations and Petitions

None.

7. Council and Staff Reports

7.1 Councillor Walsh - Town & Township Cemetery Board

Councillor Walsh recommended investigation into merging the Town & Township Cemetery Board and the Huron Shores Cemetery Committee.

7.2 Councillor MacKinnon - Sowerby Hall

Councillor MacKinnon discussed a concern brought to him respecting possible black mold and washroom issues at Sowerby Hall. He has brought these concerns to staff for further investigation.

7.3 Mayor Bilodeau - Meeting with Thessalon First Nation Negotiator, Dr. Jane Thomas

Mayor Bilodeau reported that he, Councillor Campbell, Clerk/Administrator and Deputy Clerk met with the Thessalon First Nation Negotiator Jane Thomas and Associate Negotiator Sue Schaus on November 22, 2021. He advised that there is nothing new to report, other than, Dr. Thomas is attempting to arrange a meeting with this same group and Assistant Deputy Ministers for the Ministries of Indigenous Affairs and Municipal Affairs, in the near future.

8. General Business

8.1 Planning Act Matters

8.1.1 Ontario Lands Tribunal - Minutes of Settlement re: Lajambe Enterprises Inc. Appeal

Deferred. Minutes of Settlement have not yet been provided to the Municipality.

8.2 By-laws

8.2.1 By-law #21-60: to renew the Rain Gauge Agreement with Agricorp

21-35-02

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by B. MacKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #21-60** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to enter into an agreement with **AgriCorp for a Rain Gauge Site**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of November, 2021. **CARRIED**

8.2.2 By-law #21-61 to execute an agreement with Evolugen (Brookfield Renewable) for 2021-21 Red Rock Road plowing contract

21-35-03

Moved by D. Wedgwood

Seconded by B. MacKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #21-61**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Execute the Agreement with Evolugen (Brookfield Renewable) for the 2021-22 Red Rock Road Plowing Contract** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of November, 2021. **CARRIED**

8.2.3 By-law #21-62: to execute contract with JI Enterprises for Veterans Bridge Rehabilitation

21-35-04

Moved by J. Armstrong
Seconded by D. Wedgwood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #21-62**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **enter into a contract with JI Enterprises for the Veterans Bridge Rehabilitation** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of November, 2021. **CARRIED**

8.2.4 By-law 21-63: to execute an Extension Agreement with Jason Smith for provision of By-law Enforcement & Animal Control Officer Services

Deferred. Performance Concepts, the consultant for the shared services review currently being undertaken, is researching the possibility of a shared agreement with the Town of Blind River, rather than the Municipality having a contract directly with Mr. Smith.

8.2.5 By-law 21-64: to execute an Extension Agreement with Dorianne Goodmurphy of Clean-4-U for provision of Cleaning Caretaker Services

Council deliberated the rate increase and agreed that consideration be given to tendering cleaning services prior to the end of this contract next year.

21-35-05

Moved by B. MacKinnon
Seconded by D. Walsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #21-64**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Execute an Extension to the Cleaning Caretaker Agreement with Dorianne Goodmurphy of Clean-4-U** was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of November, 2021.

8.3 Minutes - Boards and Committees

Minutes - Boards and Committees (Internal)

8.3.1 Economic Development Advisory Committee - October 7, 2021

21-35-06

Moved by J. Pirrie
Seconded by D. Walsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the **Minutes** of the Economic Development Advisory Committee, dated October 7, 2021. **CARRIED**

8.4 Motions

8.4.1 Authorize A. Burgler Enrollment in AMCTO Primer on Planning

21-35-07

Moved by D. Walsh
Seconded by J. Pirrie

WHEREAS Clerk/Administrator Tonelli has received and recommends Council support a request from Amber Burgler to register for the Primer on Planning course;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Clerk/Administrator to amend the Education Assistance Program

Policy (No. D4.08) to include the requirement for employees to sign a training agreement;
AND THAT once the Training Agreement is signed with **Amber Burgler**, she be granted **education assistance**, as outlined in Human Resources Policy D4.08, to complete the Primer on Planning. **CARRIED**

8.4.2 to instruct Public Works to widen travelled portion of Tait Road

Council deliberated the request from the Committee.

21-35-08

Moved by D. Wedgwood

Seconded by J. Pirrie

WHEREAS the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC), at its meeting dated October 7, 2021, recommended that Council directs the Public Works to attend to Tait Road with the grader to remove the encroachment along the portion of road under the Municipality's jurisdiction;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works be directed to proceed with the removal of the **Tait Road encroachment**, as recommended by the EDAC;

AND THAT should there be sufficient funds in the 2021 budget, contracted equipment be sought to assist with the project;

AND THAT if it is too late in the season to complete the maintenance work this year, it be completed immediately following the lifting of load limit restrictions in the Spring of 2022. **CARRIED**

8.4.3 to consider contracting Public Works

Deferred.

8.4.4 to authorize purchase and installation of new 4 dipole antenna on Maple Ridge Tower

On a query from Councillor Jones-Scissons, Clerk/Administrator reported that the antenna is for Fire Department communications and it is her understanding that it is to replace existing failing infrastructure.

21-35-09

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by J. Armstrong

WHEREAS an application to the FCC AgriSpirit Fund to purchase and install a 4-dipole antenna on Maple Ridge Tower was unsuccessful;

AND WHEREAS Fire Chief Kent deems it advisable to proceed with the purchase and installation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs that **Quattra SCS** be hired to supply and install a new **4-dipole antenna on Maple Ridge Tower** as per quote, dated November 10, 2021;

AND THAT should funds not be available in the Fire Department's current budget, the expense be drawn from reserves or delayed until January 2022. **CARRIED**

8.4.5 to change the composition of Council

Council deliberated the amended proposed composition following defeat of the draft by-law at the previous meeting of Council.

21-35-11

Moved by J. Armstrong

Seconded by N. Jones-Scissons

WHEREAS, as the October 20, 2021 Meeting of Council, a Special Meeting was held to debate any need to change the size of Council, change the Ward system/boundaries, and/or seek public input on the matter;

AND WHEREAS Council passed Resolution #21-30-02 to **change council composition** from 2 councillors for each of Wards 1 to 4, with 3 councillors to be elected by the electors of Wards 1 and 2; and 3 councillors to be elected by the electors of Wards 3 and 4, with the mayor to be elected at large;

AND WHEREAS a by-law to reduce the total number of Councillors from 8 to 6 was presented before Council at the November 10th Meeting of Council and ultimately defeated;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in preparation for implementation for the next regular election, **council composition** for the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores be changed from 2 councillors for each of Wards 1 to 4 to the following:

- 1 councillor to be elected by the electors of each Ward (1 - 4);
- 1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 1 and 2; and
- 1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 3 and 4;

for a total of 6 councillors;

with the Mayor to be elected at large;

AND THAT a by-law to change the composition of council be brought to the December 8th meeting of Council. **CARRIED**

Amendment:

21-35-10

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by J. Pirrie

THAT the Main Motion be amended by striking out the words "2 councillors to be elected at large" and replacing the words with "1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 1 and 2; and 1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 3 and 4".

CARRIED

Amendment:

21-35-Defeated

Moved by D. Walsh

Seconded by B. MacKinnon

THAT the amendment be amended by striking out the words "1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 1 and 2; and 1 councillor to be elected by the electors of Wards 3 and 4".

DEFEATED

8.4.6 to approve 2022 rental rates for Sowerby Hall and 12-sided Barn

On a queries from Council, Mayor Bilodeau confirmed that a specialist will be sought to inspect the mold issue to determine if the

facility must close. Councillor Kirby explained the need to increase the rental fees.

21-35-13

Moved by B. MacKinnon

Seconded by D. Kirby

WHEREAS Council established the rental fees for the Historic Cordukes/Weber 12-Sided Barn and the Sowerby Hall via

Resolution #13-08-12, dated April 24th, 2013;

AND WHEREAS Council amended the rental fee for the 12-Sided Barn, via Resolution #14-18-12, effective January 1st, 2016;

AND WHEREAS Council amended the rental fees for the 12-Sided Barn and Sowerby Hall via Resolution #16-22-13, effective January 1st, 2017 and January 1st, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council further amends the **2022 rental fees** for both the **Sowerby Hall and the Historic Cordukes/Weber 12-Sided Barn**, as per recommendation of the Sowerby Heritage Centre Committee in e-mail correspondence dated November 22, 2021, as follows:
Effective January 1st, 2022:

- Sowerby Hall (both floors) \$150/day;
- 12-Sided Barn \$300/day; and
- 3-Day Wedding Package (Friday-Sunday) \$1000 (includes 3 days for 12-Sided Barn, 1 Saturday use of Hall), save \$50;

AND THAT already confirmed rentals of the facilities in 2022 will be honoured at the rates set out in the signed contracts, any new contracts will be informed of the amended fees. **CARRIED**

8.5 Notices of Motion

None.

9. Letters & Communications for Action

9.1 Hyrdro One

9.2 East Algoma Community Futures Development

Councillor Pirrie explained the activities of HNCEA and that there are 14 months remaining of the FedNor Grant Program.

21-35-14

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes 2022 membership renewal with the **Huron North Community Economic Alliance**, at a cost of \$1664.00. **CARRIED**

10. Letters & Communications for Information

10.1 Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

10.2 Municipality of Mattice Val Cote

10.3 Great Lakes

10.4 City of Vaughan

10.5 Town of LaSalle

10.6 City of Kitchener

10.7 AMO Watchfile

11. Closed Session

21-35-15

Moved by N. Jones-Scissons

Seconded by D. Kirby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed in Closed session at 8:14 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board;
- a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; and
- personal information pertaining to an identifiable individual, relating to fraudulent email.

CARRIED

- 11.1 a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board**
- 11.2 a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act**
- 11.3 personal information pertaining to an identifiable individual, relating to fraudulent email**
- 11.4 Return to Open Session**

21-35-15

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by N. Jones-Scissons

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council return to Open Session at 8:31 p.m.

CARRIED

12. Confirming By-law

21-35-16

Moved by D. Wedgwood

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #21-65**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Regular Council Meeting held Wednesday, November 24, 2021, authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of November, 2021.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

21-35-17

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does adjourn at 8:32 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK