



The Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores

Regular Meeting Minutes

22-11

April 27, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

Council Members Present:	Mayor Georges Bilodeau, Councillor Dale Wedgwood, Councillor Nancy Jones-Scissons, Councillor Jane Armstrong, Councillor Blair MacKinnon, Councillor Gord Campbell, Councillor Jock Pirrie, Councillor Debora Kirby
Council Members Absent:	Councillor Darlene Walsh
Staff Present:	Clerk/Administrator Deborah Tonelli, Deputy Clerk Roberts, Treasurer Stenger, Administrative Assistant Nyman
Gallery:	Rhonda Kirby, Reform Gravel Mining Coalition

1. Call To Order

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, and called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Staff and Council Attendance:

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

Via Zoom: Councillor Jones-Scissons (arriving at 7:42 p.m.); Deputy Clerk Roberts; Administrative Assistant Nyman; Treasurer Stenger

Via Telephone: Councillor Campbell (arriving at 7:08 p.m.)

2. Agenda Review

Mayor Bilodeau advised of an addendum Item 8.4.2.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Adoption of Council Minutes

22-11-01

Moved by D. Wedgwood

Seconded by B. MacKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the Special and Regular meetings of Council held Wednesday, April 13, 2022, and the Special Meeting of Council held Wednesday April 20, 2022, as circulated. **CARRIED**

5. Adoption of Accounts

None.

6. Delegations and Petitions

6.1 Rhonda Kirby; DAMN! Campaign

Rhonda Kirby appeared before Council and stated that she originally started her involvement as part of group known as the North Shore Environmental Resource Advocates, battling a proposed Trap Rock Quarry to be located in the Township of the North Shore. She advised that she is before Council this evening as a representative for the **Reform Gravel Mining Coalition**, which is a provincewide initiative that has recently

started. She identified the founding coalition partners and how she became a representative. She explained that gravel mining issues are more vocal in Southern Ontario but has become a province wide issue. Currently over 5800 individuals in the province have signed the petition to support the Demand A Moratorium Now (DAMN) Campaign.

Councillor Campbell joined the Council Meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Mrs. Kirby presented the issues, proposed solutions, and as part of the presentation, provided two (2) videos: *Protect Ontario from unnecessary gravel mining*, and *Its about Damn Time interview with Graham Flint*.

Councillor Wedgwood departed Chambers briefly between the two videos to address a telephone call.

Mrs. Kirby advised that the Reform Gravel Mining Coalition is seeking municipal support to put a pause on gravel mining operations in Ontario and joining the DAMN Campaign. Mayor Bilodeau thanked Mrs. Kirby for her presentation and gave Council an opportunity for questions. With no questions brought forward, Mayor Bilodeau explained that this matter was on the previous agenda and if a Council member wished it to be brought back to the next Council Meeting, they could make that request. Mrs. Kirby encouraged Council members to visit the website and contact her if they have any further questions.

7. Council and Staff Reports

7.1 2022 Budget Presentation, FN-22-19

7.2 Sowerby Hall Renovation Recommendation

7.3 Councillor Wedgwood - Good Roads Report

Councillor Wedgwood submitted a written report and spoke to his and Councillor Armstrong's attendance at the **Good Roads Conference**. The main item he took away from the Conference was with respect to a PTO rebate program. Information has been provided to Clerk/Administrator for further review of the program. Additional items taken from the sessions were respecting: funding for roads and bridges; broadband; OGRA learning project; mastering the new disorder; pilot projects for 2+1 roads; trust barometer; municipal insurance respecting the hiring of construction companies; energy and industry in Ontario; Algoma Steel and Tenaris going green; natural gas pricing; truth and reconciliation; and construction of roads to make people think.

7.4 Deputy Clerk Report, CL-22-38 re: Item 8.4.1

7.5 Councillor Wedgwood - Mississagi River Water Levels

Councillor Wedgwood informed Council of a call received respecting a concern about water levels in the Mississagi River. He informed Council that levels are approaching, but not exceeding 500 cms below Red Rock GS. At this time, a warning will not be declared, as it is expected that outflows will be reduced from the current level of approximately 480 cms over the next 48 to 72 hours.

8. General Business

8.1 Planning Act Matters

None.

8.2 By-laws

8.2.1 By-Law #22-29: to Enter into a Service Agreement with Bell 9-1-1

On a query from Councillor Armstrong, Clerk/Administrator reported that the agreement is to bring 911 into the next generation to allow for 911 services to be provided through other networks (ie. texting).

Councillor Jones-Scissions joined the Council Meeting at 7:42 p.m.

On a query from Councillor Jones-Scissions, Clerk/Administrator advised there is no fee for this agreement, but not sure of possible fee increases via the OPP (our public safety answering point (PSAP)). She will report any fees back to Council.

22-11-02

Moved by J. Armstrong

Seconded by D. Wedgwood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-29** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to enter into a **Service Agreement with Bell 9-1-1** for the provision of Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) services was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022.

CARRIED

8.2.2 By-law #22-30: Site Specific Zoning Amendment - File No. 2022-Z-01

On a query from Councillor Armstrong, staff confirmed there have been no additional comments since the public meeting.

22-11-03

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-30**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to adopt **Site Specific Zoning** with respect to Application **File No. 2022-Z-01**, to being a site-specific zoning exception to the General Industrial Zone (M1) to permit a Fire Training Facility as an additional permitted use on the subject property was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022.

CARRIED

8.2.3 By-law #22-31: to Establish 2022 Tax Ratio

22-11-04

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-31** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores for the Purpose of **Establishing 2022 Tax Ratios**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022.

CARRIED

8.2.4 By-law #22-32: to Establish 2022 Tax Rates

22-11-05

Moved by B. MacKinnon

Seconded by D. Kirby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-32** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores for the Purpose of

Establishing **2022 Tax Rates**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022;

AND THAT the 2022 Municipal Budget incorporates the changes requested by Council at the April 20th, 2022 Special Budget Meeting, authorizing \$3,707,414.00 to be raised through taxation for Municipal Expenditures, be attached hereto and forming part of this by-law as Schedule 'A'. **CARRIED**

8.2.5 By-law #22-33: Fire Department Honoraria

On a query from Councillor Jones-Scissons, Treasurer Stenger reported that the honourarium total is \$44,311.00.

22-11-06

Moved by J. Pirrie

Seconded by D. Wedgwood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-33** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores for the purpose of Adopting the **2022 Fire Department Honoraria**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022. **CARRIED**

8.2.6 By-law #22-34: Enter into an Agreement with Service Canada Respecting Canada Summer Jobs Funding

On a query from Councillor Armstrong, Clerk/Administrator reported that the Municipality was approved for 2 of the 3 Museum Assistants and 1 of the 2 Elemental Workers for which we applied. It is hoped that the 1 additional position required for the Museum will be funded through Algoma Kinniwabi. Council chose not to fund a second elemental worker.

22-11-07

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-34**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to enter into an Agreement with **Service Canada** respecting **Canada Summer Jobs** funding, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022. **CARRIED**

8.3 Minutes - Boards and Committees

Minutes - Boards and Committees (Internal)

8.3.1 None.

Minutes - Board and Committees (Joint/External)

8.3.2 None.

8.4 Motions

8.4.1 select Vendor for Municipal Website Re-Design, CL-22-38

22-11-08

Moved by B. MacKinnon

Seconded by J. Pirrie

WHEREAS the Municipality has been successful in securing funding under the **Municipal Modernization Program Intake 3** to complete an update to the municipal website;
AND WHEREAS a Request for Proposal was issued, inviting

qualified website design firms to submit proposals to re-design, upgrade and host the municipal website to strengthen the municipality's online presence;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council awards the proposal received by **2Gen.Net** in the amount of **\$21,865.50 including HST**, for the **Website Re-Design** project, with a three-year commitment for Website Hosting and Maintenance cost of **\$2,400.00 plus HST annually**;

AND THAT Council authorizes the purchase of additional website features, plug-ins and options not necessarily included in the proposal should the features be deemed to provide improvements to the Municipality's online image and/or improved distribution and access to information, with the spending limit not to exceed the 2022 budget allotment of \$47,140.00;

AND THAT the Deputy Clerk be authorized to sign any necessary contractual agreements with the by-law to follow at the next regular meeting of Council. **CARRIED**

8.4.2 Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies' Auxiliaries Charitable Foundation

Further to Council deliberations on the matter, Clerk/Administrator will discuss with Chief Kent concerns respecting the use of the Fire Department's personal equipment during an emergency call and requests made by other emergency response personnel to use their personal equipment.

22-11-09

Moved by J. Armstrong

Seconded by D. Wedgwood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Clerk/Administrator to submit an application for funding under the **Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies' Auxiliaries Charitable Foundation**, as per the Request of the Fire Department, for four **ice water rescue suits** and one **equipment sled** to expand the Fire Department's rescuing capabilities;

AND THAT, if approved, the Municipal expenditure be included in the 2023 Budget. **CARRIED**

8.5 Notices of Motion

9. Letters & Communications for Action

9.1 Central Algoma Secondary School

On a query from Councillor Kirby, Clerk/Administrator will investigate if donations by Council were ever made to public school graduates.

22-11-10

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by J. Armstrong

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provides a **\$200.00** Bursary to **Central Algoma Secondary School**, to be awarded at the 2022 Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony, to a student who is a resident of the Municipality of Huron Shores at the time of the graduation and who is proceeding to post-secondary education in September, 2022.

AND THAT Council consider a donation to the 2023 Grade 12 and Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony in the 2023 budget. **CARRIED**

9.2 Nature Canada's Ocean Protection Team

9.3 City of St. Catharines

9.4 Tulloch Engineering, CL-22-39

Clerk/Administrator informed Council that Sowerby Hall will be open for rentals this summer. Council briefly deliberated renovation ideas.

22-11-11

Moved by B. MacKinnon

Seconded by J. Pirrie

WHEREAS Council has authorized Clerk/Administrator, by Resolution No. 22-09-25, to proceed with Sowerby Hall funding applications and plans to finalize necessary renovations in Fall 2022;

AND WHEREAS there has been discussion around addressing energy efficiencies in all of the municipal facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all **renovations to Sowerby Hall** include as many energy efficiency solutions as able;

AND THAT any and all renovations to Sowerby Hall be done so in collaboration with the Sowerby Heritage Centre Committee;

AND THAT Clerk/Administrator provide renovation progress reports to Council, as warranted.

CARRIED

9.5 Town of Blind River

Clerk/Administrator informed Council of the increase in cost from \$500.00 to \$750.00, plus additional fee in participating in production of information post cards, resulting in this line item being slightly overbudget.

22-11-12

Moved by D. Wedgwood

Seconded by N. Jones-Scissons

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes municipal participation in the **Household Hazardous Waste Day** hosted by the Town of Blind River on Saturday, **July 23rd, 2022**, as per correspondence dated April 20th, 2022;

AND THAT we partner with the Town of Blind River in preparing postcards to be provided at our Waste Site Depots, indicating the date, time, location of said event, and what is eligible to be dropped off;

AND THAT staff post information respecting Huron Shores' participation on the Municipal Social Media.

CARRIED

10. Letters & Communications for Information

10.1 AMO Watchfile

10.2 Township of Limerick

10.3 Municipality of Grey Highlands

10.4 Township of Lake of Bays

Concerns respecting the motion were discussed.

22-11-13

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by G. Campbell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores supports, in principle, the resolution received from the Township of Lake of Bays requesting that Transport Canada amend the Canada Shipping Act 2001 by adding the following to the Act:

- All vessel greywater be discharged into a holding tank and disposed of as per Provincial regulations for new vessels; and

- All floating accommodations are required to conform to all Provincial and municipal regulations and by-laws;

AND FURTHER THAT Huron Shores supports the request from the Township of Lake of Bays that Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR) amend Ontario Regulation 161/17 to include the following:

- Post signs to restrict floating accommodations/camping on the water in southern Ontario (Muskoka south) and that a permit from the NDMNR is required and a permit will not be granted without the consent of the local municipality;
- Camping is reduced from 21 days to 7 days;
- Not permit any camping on the water within 300m of a developed lot or within a narrow water body of 150m; or
- Should a municipality have more restrictive by-laws related to camping, these by-laws would apply;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Transport Canada, the Minister of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR), MPP Michael Mantha, MP Carole Hughes, and the Township of Lake of Bays. **CARRIED**

10.5 Ministry of the Solicitor General Office of the Fire Marshal

10.6 Town of Halton Hills

11. Closed Session

None.

12. Confirming By-law

22-11-14

Moved by G. Campbell

Seconded by J. Pirrie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **By-law #22-35**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to Adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Wednesday, April 27, 2022, authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 27th day of April, 2022. **CARRIED**

13. Adjournment

22-11-15

Moved by D. Kirby

Seconded by G. Campbell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does adjourn at 8:12 p.m. **CARRIED**

MAYOR

CLERK