



Day Two: Committee of the Whole

Museum/Gaol, Social Services, EMS, Homes & Corporate

Minutes - February 17, 2010

GODERICH, ONTARIO



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The Day 2 Committee of the Whole met in the Court House Council Chambers in Goderich on the 17th of February, 2010. All members of Council were present except for Councillors J. Bezaire and J. Seili. Chair N. Vincent called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Declarations of Pecuniary Conflict of Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

There were no declarations of pecuniary conflict of interest.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor G. Robertson and Seconded by: Councillor B. MacLellan:

THAT:

The Day 2 Committee of the Whole Agenda be accepted and all Reports included in the Agenda; be received.

CARRIED

Councillor's Issues:

Councillor MacLellan questioned when a septic inspection is being completed is there a specific way to determine if the septic tank needs to be repaired or replaced? There was further discussion that the weeping bed could be more of an issue than the septic tank itself. Councillor MacLellan requested a Report be prepared for Council to clarify these concerns by one of our staff.

Councillor Grace reported that on Family Day (February 15th, 2010) there were approximately 1,000 people attended the Museum in Goderich. This was a free day at the Museum. He stated that this cultural event impacted the economics of Goderich. He confirmed that there is a relationship between culture and economic development.

Councillor Grace also took the opportunity to thank the staff and the volunteers at the Museum for the exceptional job they did on Family Day.

5. Cultural Services:

Beth Ross, Director of Cultural Services presented the following report for the information of Committee.

5.1 Museum and Gaol Information/Updating Report for January, 2010:

6. Social Services:

Dave Overboe, Director of Social Services presented the following report for the information of Committee.

6.1 Report from Social Services Department:

6.2 Bad Debt Write-Off (2009):

There was some discussion surrounding the Report. Director Overboe confirmed that once someone misses payment of their rent, the process for eviction commences. There is a process within the Province that does not allow an individual in default or owing monies to one CMSM to receive services from another without clearing the outstanding amounts owed first.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott and Seconded by: Councillor B. Siemon:

THAT:

The recommendation from Barbara Hall, Housing Services Manager that the bad debts of former tenants of the Huron County Housing Corporation in the amount of \$12,080.31 be written off; be approved.

CARRIED

7. Emergency Management Services:

David Lew, Chief, Emergency Services presented the following report for the information of Committee.

DELEGATION – Cardiac Save:

Chief David Lew introduced PCP Joel Siebert and PCP Mel Andrews of the Huron County EMS. Mr. Siebert and Mr. Andrews were present to be recognized by Council for the outstanding job they did to assist in saving Scott Rathwell's life. Mr. Rathwell was in cardiac arrest and through the prehospital

skill provided by Mr. Siebert and Mr. Andrews, Mr. Rathwell survived. He was in attendance at the meeting to witness the recognition.

Dr. Don Eddy, physician with the South Western Ontario Base Hospital took part in commending Mr. Siebert and Mr. Andrews. Dr. Eddy and Chief Lew presented the EMS employees responsible for resuscitating Mr. Rathwell with Life Saving Pins and Certificates congratulating them on a job well done.

7.1 February Emergency Services Update:

Chief Lew mentioned \$1,000 had been donated anonymously to the EMS. Warden Dykstra requested this donation be earmarked for a certain piece of equipment or activity in the EMS.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Grace and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich:

THAT:

The donation received by the EMS anonymously; be earmarked for EMS Special Activities.

CARRIED

There was some discussion regarding the decrease in sick time in the EMS department. There may be many things that could contribute to the decrease. The flu shots, both seasonal and H1N1, more hand washing and the general population is requested to stay at home when they have flu like symptoms and this has helped to decrease sickness throughout the department.

PRISM 911 was discussed. To date there is only about 35% of the population of Huron County that have responded to the PRISM 911 requests. Chief Lew noted that in Quinte West they had much the same response within their first year, and as the service became more understood by the public, participation grew.

**7.2 January 18, 2010 –Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh
Prosperity Line - Corn Bin Incident:**

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. Dowson and Seconded by: Councillor B. MacLellan:

THAT:

EMS be directed to proceed to work with the suggestions to the agencies involved:

- All dispatch agencies should synchronize their clocks with the National Research Council;
- All dispatch agencies should become familiar with neighbouring Fire Zone Area road names. In this incident, the original call should have been transferred to Stratford Fire Dispatch as it was in the Blyth Fire Emergency Service Zone;
- The feature key function at the Hanover Police Services should be restored in order to transfer 9-1-1 calls using the usual method;
- The phone line to Goderich Fire should not go to an auto-attendant; these calls should go directly to the Fire Dispatch area in the hospital and be monitored by the dispatchers. This phone line should be provided to Bell Canada to be listed on the most current "star code" or contact list for all dispatch agencies.

CARRIED

8. Homes for the Aged:

Barb Springall, Homes Administrator presented the following reports for the information of Committee.

8.1 Report from the Homes for the Aged:

8.2 Nursing Graduate Guarantee for New Graduate Nurses:

Home Administrator Springall was questioned why the Homes was not taking more than one new graduate nurse. Ms Springall advised that for each new graduate nurse the Home must provide a mentor and it is anticipated it could be challenging to accommodate more than one new graduate nurse at each Home for the Aged.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor B. MacLellan:

THAT:

The recommendation from Barb Springall, Homes Administrator that the Homes for the Aged, that Huronview and Huronlea participate in the Nursing Graduate Guarantee program for two RPN positions; be approved.

CARRIED

8.3 Flyer entitled: Our Commitment to Resident Safety at Huronlea and Huronview:

9. Administration, Policies & Other Issues:

Larry Adams, Chief Administrative Officer presented the following reports for the information of Committee.

9.1 Huron County Habitat for Humanity request:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Shewfelt and Seconded by: Councillor J. Dietrich:

THAT:

The request from Huron County Habitat for Humanity; be received;

AND FURTHER THAT;

The request for payment of the plumbing permit fees in the amount of \$630.00 to be paid by the County of Huron; be approved.

CARRIED

9.2 Provincial Rural Economic Development (R.E.D.) Program

Application: (Walk in Report)

Mike Pullen, Senior Economic Development Officer reviewed the report entitled Provincial Rural Economic Development (R.E.D.) Program Application. He delivered a power point presentation to the members of the Committee. Also in attendance was Kerri Herrfort, Downtown Revitalization Co-ordinator.

It is crucial for this application be made to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs prior to the end of February, 2010. A Special Council meeting is proposed to follow this Committee meeting in order for this application to be expedited.

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor G. Robertson and Seconded by: Councillor D. Kelly:

THAT:

The Report entitled Provincial Rural Economic Development (R.E.D.) Program Application; be received.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor B. MacLellan and Seconded by: Councillor J. Grace:

THAT:

The funding application to the Rural Economic Development (RED) Program be endorsed and submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs;

AND FURTHER THAT:

This motion to submit the funding application to the Rural Economic Development (RED) Program be ratified effective immediately.

CARRIED

10. Correspondence:

11. Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including 2010 will be reviewed.

Museum/Gaol	\$ 13,708.90
Social Housing	\$ 179,716.24
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 62,247.17
Homes for the Aged	\$ 171,368.87
Council	\$ 19,293.79
Corporate	\$2,382,157.12
Accessibility	-

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including January 28th, 2010; be received.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of Day 2 Committee of the Whole will be in Goderich on Wednesday March 17th, 2010 at 9:45 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor D. Kelly and Seconded by: Councillor B. Siemon:

THAT:

The meeting adjourn 11:05 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair N. Vincent