

**MINUTES  
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HURON**

Goderich, Ontario  
March 20, 2019

The Council of the County of Huron met in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 20, 2019. All members of Council were present except Councillor MacLellan.

**1. Warden Jim Ginn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.**

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: #155-19

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the agenda for March 20, 2019 as presented.

CARRIED

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

**4. Minutes of the Previous Sessions:**

MOTION: #156-19

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting of March 6, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. Delegations/Petitions/Presentations:**

**5.1. Social Research & Planning Council (SRPC)**

Ken Clarke, Data Analyst for the Social Research and Planning Council and Erica Clark, Epidemiologist for the Huron County Health Unit and SRPC member, provided an update on the myPerthHuron.ca website and the 2018 Living Wage calculation.

MOTION: #157-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron directs staff to prepare a report on the request by Social Research and Planning Council for the County of Huron to become a certified Living Wage employer.

CARRIED

**6. Councillor's Issues:**

Councillors McNeil and Finch attended an event held in Huron County by MPP Lisa Thompson as representatives for Huron County.

**7. Consent Agenda – Items 7.1 through 7.6:**

MOTION: #158-19

Moved by: Councillor Watt and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

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THAT:

Items 7.1 through 7.6 be approved with the actions as noted.

CARRIED

**8. Social and Property Services**

- 8.1. Council Representation for the Housing and Homelessness Steering Committee (presented by Christine Hoffman)

MOTION: #159-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the request for Council representation, made by Christine Hoffman, Manager of Housing Services on behalf of the Housing and Homelessness Steering Committee;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Councillor Grace be appointed to the Housing and Homelessness Steering Committee.

CARRIED

- 8.2. Tender results for Child and Family Centre in Wingham (presented by Cheryl Patience)

MOTION: #160-19

Moved by: Councillor Bailey and Seconded by: Councillor McNeil

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Cheryl Patience, Ontario Works and Children's Services Manager dated March 20, 2019, titled Tender Results for Child and Family Centre in Wingham as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron awards the renovation contract to SDI Builders of London, Ontario at the tendered price of \$213,287.50 (inclusive of HST);

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contract and all required documentation with SDI Builders of London for the renovation of the Child and Family Centre in Wingham.

CARRIED

- 8.3. Safe Places Youth Certified (presented by Barbara Hall)

MOTION: #161-19

Moved by: Councillor Murdock and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Barbara Hall, Director, Social and Property Services, dated March 6, 2019, titled "Safe Places Youth Certified", as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the recommendation that a policy be established that requires designated Huron County employees and volunteers who interact with children and youth to be Safe Places Youth Certified.

CARRIED

**9. Homes for the Aged:**

- 9.1. RFT (HL) 2019-01 Staff Parking Lot Expansion (presented by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #162-19

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Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Watt  
THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged, dated March 20, 2019, titled "RFT (HL) 2019-01 Staff Parking Lot Expansion" as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT;

RFT (HL) 2019-01 be awarded to Lavis Contracting Co., for the supply of all labour, materials, services and equipment for the Staff Parking Lot Expansion at Huronlea, Home for the Aged;

AND FURTHER THAT;

A by-law be drafted authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contract and all other required documents.

CARRIED

9.2. Homes for the Aged Quality Improvement Plan (presented by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #163-19

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged, dated March 20, 2019, titled "Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Aged Quality Improvement Plan" as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Approval be given to submit to Health Quality Ontario, the presented progress report, narrative and work plan for Huronview and Huronlea.

CARRIED

9.3. L-SAA Schedule E - Form of Compliance Declaration (presented by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #164-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged, dated March 20, 2019, titled "L-SAA Schedule E - Form of Compliance Declaration" as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Warden and the Clerk be authorized to sign the required declaration known as Schedule E of the LSAA Agreements for Huronview and Huronlea Homes for the Aged;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The signed Schedule E be forwarded to the South West Local Health Integration Network.

CARRIED

9.4. Request for Sole Sourcing for Homes Resident Tubs and Bath Chairs (presented by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #165-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged and Angela Steadman, Huronlea Administrator, titled request for sole sourcing for Homes resident tubs and bath chairs, dated March 20, 2019, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Huronview be approved to utilize the sole sourcing procurement method to purchase four tubs and four bath chairs from Arjo Huntleigh for a quoted price of \$93,150.00 + HST;

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AND FURTHER THAT:

Huronlea be approved to utilize the sole sourcing procurement method to purchase two tubs from Arjo Huntleigh for a quoted price of \$34,100.00 + HST.

CARRIED

- 9.5. Long Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement - Multi Homes April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2022 (presented by Connie Townsend)

MOTION: #166-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Connie Townsend, Director of Homes for the Aged, dated March 20, 2019, titled "Long Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement - Multi Homes April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2022", as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and the Clerk to execute the agreement and all other required documents;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The signed Long Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement - Multi Homes April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2022 be forwarded to the South West Local Health Integration Network.

CARRIED

**10. Emergency Services:**

- 10.1. ES #2019 -01 RFP Results - 2019 Ambulance Replacement (presented by Jeff Horseman)

MOTION: #167-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Jeff Horseman, Chief Emergency Services, dated March 20, 2019, titled ES #2019-01 Tender Results – 2019 Ambulance Replacement Report presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

RFP ES #2019-01 2019 Ambulance Replacement (Including Stryker Stretcher system) be awarded to Demers Ambulances of Beloeil, Quebec for the tendered price of \$202,837.19 (net HST) subject to 2019 County Budget Approval.

CARRIED

**11. Public Works:**

- 11.1. Tender HC 19-301 - CR 11 CIR Hwy 23 to Perth Line 17 (presented by Imran Khalid)

MOTION: #168-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approve the report titled Tender HC 19-301 – CR 11 CIR Hwy 23 to Perth Line 17 dated March 20, 2019 by Imran Khalid as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron award the tender to Lavis Contracting Co. Limited for Contract HC 19-301 for the tendered price of \$2,607,554.00 including net applicable taxes;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts for HC 19-301 and all other required documentation.

CARRIED

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- 11.2. Contract HC 19-503 Recommendation to Award Rehabilitation of Tri-County Bridge (05-00.0) (presented by Cameron Harper)

MOTION: #169-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives and approves the report titled Contract HC 19-503 Recommendation to Award Rehabilitation of Tri-County Bridge (05-00.0) presented by Cameron Harper, P.Eng, Engineering Project Manager – Bridges, dated March 20, 2019;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts the tender submitted by Weathertech Resoration Services Inc. in the amount of \$836,772.48 (inclusive of provisional items and net applicable tax), based on the anticipated scope of work;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and all other required documents;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The County of Huron's share of the project shortfall totaling \$3,924.16 be funded from an accumulated surplus from other 2019 capital projects.

CARRIED

- 11.3. Tender HC 19-302 – CR 12 – Seaforth/Egmondville Urban Reconstruct – Egmondville Bridge to Hwy 8 – Phase I (Egmondville 2019) (presented by Imran Khalid)

MOTION: #170-19

Moved by: Councillor Fisher and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report dated March 20, 2019 titled Request for Tender HC 19-302 – CR 12 – Seaforth/Egmondville Urban Reconstruct – Egmondville Bridge to Hwy 8 – Phase I (Egmondville 2019) by Imran Khalid as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron award the tender to Lavis Contracting Co. Limited for Contract HC 19-302 for the total tendered price of \$4,349,002.00 Including Net Applicable Taxes. This is the total tendered price of the contract and is to be shared between County of Huron and the Municipality of Huron East. A breakdown of cost sharing is provided below:

Huron County Share	\$ 2,268,841
Huron East Share	\$ 2,080,161
Total Bid Price	\$ 4,349,002

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and all other required documents.

CARRIED

- 11.4. Tender HC 19-310 CR 7 – Pavement Preservation – CR 4 to CR 30 – Slurry Seal (presented by Imran Khalid)

MOTION: #171-19

Moved by: Councillor Harding and Seconded by: Councillor Dietrich

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron approves the report dated March 20, 2019 titled Request for Tender HC 19-310 – CR 7 – Pavement Preservation – CR 4 to CR 30 by Imran Khalid, P. Eng. – Project Manager (Roads);

AND FURTHER THAT:

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The Council of the County of Huron award the tender to MSO Construction Ltd. for Contract HC 19-310 for the tendered price of \$557,594.00 including net applicable taxes;  
AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and all other required documentation.

CARRIED

11.5. Tender Results for Culvert 86-05.3 Replacement -Contract HC 19-505 (presented by Steven Lund)

MOTION: #172-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives and approves the report entitled Tender Results for Culvert 86-05.3 Replacement- Contract HC 19-505 by Steve Lund, County Engineer dated March 20, 2019;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The County of Huron accept the tender submitted by VanDriel Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$381,585.16 (inclusive of net applicable tax), based on the anticipated scope of work;

AND FURTHER THAT:

A by-law be prepared authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the contracts and all other required documents;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The County of Huron's share of the project shortfall totaling \$3,292.58 be funded from an accumulated surplus from other 2019 capital projects.

CARRIED

11.6. Emergency Services and Public Works Overview (presented by Steven Lund)

MOTION: #173-19

Moved by: Councillor Fergusson and Seconded by: Councillor Murdock

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Steven Lund, County Engineer and Director of Operations, dated March 20, 2019 titled Emergency Services and Public Works Overview, as presented for information.

CARRIED

**12. Economic Development Department:**

12.1. Workforce Attraction & Retention Strategy Roundtable Update (presented by Kristin Crane and Chris Watson)

MOTION: #174-19

Moved by: Councillor Heffer and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Kristin Crane, Immigration Liaison and Chris Watson, Economic Development Officer, dated March 20, 2019 titled Workforce Attraction & Retention Strategy Roundtable Update, as presented for information.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 10:25 AM and resumed at 10:35 AM.

**13. Administration, Policies and Other Issues:**

13.1. Farmland Ratio Analysis (presented by Michael Blumhagen)

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MOTION: #175-19

Moved by: Councillor McNeil and Seconded by: Councillor Watt

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron receives the report by Michael Blumhagen, Treasurer and Director of Corporate Services, titled Farmland Ratio Analysis, dated March 20, 2019 as presented for information.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron reduce the farmland tax ratio from 0.25 to 0.223.

Prior to the vote, a recorded vote was requested by Councillor Fergusson:

NAYS: Councillors Jewitt, McNeil, Klopp, Grace, Murdock, Harding, Bailey,  
Fergusson, Heffer, Finch, Fisher, Watt, Warden Ginn

YEAS: Councillor Dietrich

ABSENT: Councillor MacLellan

DEFEATED

**14. Correspondence:**

MOTION: #176-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron accepts correspondence not specifically dealt with, for information.

**15. New/Unfinished Business:**

In the interest of being accountable and transparent, where a member of Council or staff would like to present an item of business in this section, it is recommended that they contact the Chief Administrative Officer in advance so that the item can be placed on the published agenda.

**16. Notice of Motion:** None.

**17. By-laws:** None.

**18. Closed to the Public Session:**

MOTION: #177-19

Moved by: Councillor Jewitt and Seconded by: Councillor Finch

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron do now go into a Closed to the Public Session at 11:00 AM under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended; to discuss an item that relates to:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees;

AND FURTHER THAT:

CAO Meighan Wark, Director of Homes Connie Townsend, Senior Human Resources Manager Jane Anderson, Treasurer & Director of Corporate Services Michael Blumhagen, Clerk Susan Cronin and Hicks Morley Partner Marg Szilassy remain in attendance.

CARRIED

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MOTION: #178-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron rise from the Closed to the Public Session at 11:36 AM.  
CARRIED

Reporting out of Closed Session: Huron County Council received an update on personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees.

MOTION: #179-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Grace

THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron direct staff to proceed as per direction given in Closed to the Public Session of March 20, 2019.

CARRIED

**19. Arrangement of Committee/Board Meetings:**

Council Day 1 - Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Board of Health - Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 9:00 AM in Seminar Room 2 of the Health and Library Complex, south of Clinton.

Library Board - Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

Huron County Economic Development Board - Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 5:00 PM in the Benmiller Inn, 81175 Benmiller Line, Benmiller.

Council Day 2 - Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Court House Council Chambers, Goderich.

**20. Confirmatory By-law:**

MOTION: #180-19

Moved by: Councillor Finch and Seconded by: Councillor Harding

THAT:

By-Law No. 2019-017; being a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Huron to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron, be introduced, be given a first, second and third reading in accordance with Part 13 of the Procedural By-law for the County of Huron, Section 1, Subsection 2;

AND FURTHER THAT:

By-law No. 2019-017; as read a third time; be passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

CARRIED

**21. Adjournment:**

MOTION: #181-19

Moved by: Councillor Dietrich and Seconded by: Councillor Heffer

THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron do hereby adjourn at 11:37AM to meet again on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 9:00 AM or at the call of the Warden and the Clerk.

CARRIED



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Warden Jim Ginn

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Clerk Susan Cronin