



Bruce County Council Minutes

Date: June 6, 2024

Time: 9:34 a.m.

Location: Electronic (Remote) Meeting

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| Present | Luke Charbonneau, Deputy Warden Kenneth Craig, Councillor Mark Goetz, Councillor | Steve Hammell, Councillor Jay Kirkland, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Don Murray, Councillor |
| Regrets | Chris Peabody, Warden | |
| Staff | Christine MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer Sean Morphy, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Claire Dodds, Commissioner of Community Development Megan Garland, Director of Long-Term Care and Senior Services Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum & Cultural Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services Jenn Robinson, Director of Human Resources | Steve Schaus, Director and Chief of Paramedic Services Adam Stanley, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services Aaron Stauch, Director of Government Relations Jack Van Dorp, Director of Planning and Development Sam Dinsmore, Director of Corporate Services Tania Dickson, Housing Services Manager Coreena Smith, Senior Policy Planner Tony Ban, Facilities Manager Linda White, Clerk Julie Ireland, Deputy Clerk |
| Also Present | Wanda Inglis; Rob MacLellan; | Numair Uppal |

1. Call to Order

The meeting of Bruce County Council was called to order by the Deputy Warden at 9:34 a.m.

The minutes were recorded by the Deputy Clerk.

2. Additions, Deletions, Amendments to Agenda

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

4. Public Notice

5. Announcements

6. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution # C-2024-085

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That the minutes of the May 16, 2024 Council meeting be approved as circulated.

Carried

7. Public Meeting

8. Delegations

a. Rob MacLellan, Ontario Association of Sewage Industry Services (OASIS)

Re: Understand the Limitations on Hauled Sewage Disposal Sites in Ontario

9. Reports - for Information

The following reports were presented for information:

- a. **Human Services - 2024 Strategic Community Initiatives Grant Recipients**
- b. **Human Services - Housing Services 2024 Q1 update**
- c. **Human Services - Local Data Resource for Non-Profit Housing Developers**
- d. **Museum - Information Report - June 2024**
- e. **Office of the CAO - Bruce County Community Grants - 2024**

10. Reports - for Direction

- a. **Community Development - Engagement on Nuclear Energy Sector Projects**

Resolution # C-2024-086

Moved by Councillor Kenneth Craig

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

That Council endorse the declaration of the Global Partnership for Nuclear Communities supported by CANHC as principles for engagement with the County on nuclear energy sector projects.

Carried

- b. **Museum - Request for Transfer of Reserve Funds, 1878 Schoolhouse and Log Cabin Restoration Project**

Resolution # C-2024-087

Moved by Councillor Jay Kirkland

Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Craig

That the funds required to complete the restoration project for the 1878 Schoolhouse and Log Cabin project for the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre, at the cost of \$106,175 + HST and any minor adjustments that have not yet been identified, be approved, and financed from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (TSR); and

That the tender be awarded to Colonial Building Restorations in the amount of \$320,000 + HST.

Carried

- c. Planning & Development - Deem an Approval not to have Lapsed for Draft Plan of Subdivision 41T-2019-02.48 (Hampton Woods)**

Resolution # C-2024-088

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That the approval of Draft Plan of Subdivision 41T-2019-02.48 (Hampton Woods) by Southampton Golf & Country Club be deemed not to have lapsed; and

That the approval of Draft Plan of Subdivision 41T-2019-02.48 (Hampton Woods) be amended to lapse three (3) years from June 6, 2024 and for any subsequent phases, five (5) years after the date of Final Approval of the preceding phase.

Carried

- d. Transportation & Environmental Services - Ontario Community Environment Fund-Spring Creek Restoration Project**

Resolution # C-2024-089

Moved by Councillor Mark Goetz

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

That the Director of Transportation and Environmental Services and Deputy Treasurer of Corporate Services be authorized to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for approved provincial funding.

Carried

11. Motions and Notice of Motions

- a. Motion - Nomination for AMO Board of Directors - Chris Peabody**

Resolution # C-2024-090

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

Whereas notice of the following motion was given at the May 16, 2024 Bruce County Council Meeting; therefore:

Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce nominates Chris Peabody for the position of Director for the County Caucus on the AMO Board of Directors for the 2024-2026 term.

Carried

b. Added Item: Notice of Motion - Request for Ontario Ministry of Health to pause service level reductions

Notice was given that the following motion will be discussed at the June 20th meeting:

Whereas the Counties of Bruce Grey and Huron, within the traditional territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, are primarily rural communities with a collective population of less than 250,000 supplying 30% of Ontario's electricity and contributing more than \$4 billion annually to Ontario's GDP.

And whereas, our region is relied upon to contribute to the pressing electrification of Canadian society through major energy investments, including Bruce Power's Major Component Replacement; and other large-scale initiatives under consideration such as 4800 megawatts in new nuclear electricity generation; a nuclear waste deep geological repository; a pumped storage facility; and a large-scale battery storage facility.

And whereas, a significant proportion of the world's supply of medical isotopes (used to sterilize equipment and treat cancer) are produced by Bruce Power, in our region.

And whereas, our local health care systems are struggling with limited resources that impact service levels, emergency room closures, access to primary care, and the sustainability of our systems.

And whereas, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association has called for a new approach to resourcing rural health care to ensure its sustainability, through their "Fill the Gap Closer to Home" proposal.

Now Therefore, be it resolved that, the Council of the Corporation of the County of Bruce calls upon the Ontario Ministry of Health to implement an immediate pause on all planned and future service level reductions and closures at hospitals within the Bruce, Grey Huron region.

And that, this pause remain in effect until detailed studies can be undertaken to understand how we can safeguard our healthcare system and broader social safety net, to ensure the success of our region while supporting nationally significant projects.

And that, Council directs this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Bruce, Grey and Huron, local MPs and MPPs, and to the Prime Minister, Premier of Ontario, and the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health.

12. By-laws

a. By-law 2024-030 Reserve and Reserve Fund Policy

Being a by-law to establish a reserve and reserve fund policy

b. By-law 2024-031 Repeal of Reserve and Reserve Fund By-laws

Being a by-law to repeal reserve and reserve fund by-laws

c. By-law 2024-033 Municipal Capital Facility Agreement with Town of South Bruce Peninsula

Being a by-law execute a Municipal Capital Facility Agreement with the Town of South Bruce Peninsula for the Sauble Beach Paramedic Station located at 672 Main Street, Sauble Beach

Resolution # C-2024-091

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Councillor Mark Goetz

That the following by-laws be approved:

By-law 2024-030, being a by-law to establish a reserve and reserve fund policy;

By-law 2024-031, being a by-law to repeal reserve and reserve fund by-laws;

By-law 2024-032, being a by-law to execute a Municipal Capital Facility Agreement with the Town of South Bruce Peninsula for the Sauble Beach Paramedic Station.

Carried

13. Communications (including Minutes of Boards & Committees)

- a. **Enbridge - Update**
- b. **Grey Bruce Board of Health - May Meeting & Previous Minutes**
- c. **Western Ontario Wardens Caucus- Ontario West Municipal Conference**

14. Closed Session

Council moved into a Closed Session meeting at 10:54 a.m.

- a. **Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended - labour relations or employee negotiations**
- b. **Approval of Minutes - March 21, 2024**

Resolution # C-2024-092

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That Council proceed to a Closed Session Meeting, in accordance with the following section(s) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended:

- a. Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended - labour relations or employee negotiations
 - Labour Relations Update
- b. Approval of Minutes - March 21, 2024

Carried

15. Report from Closed Session

Council arose to the Open Session meeting at 11:09 a.m.

The Deputy Warden reported that Council received a Labour Relations Update from the Director of Human Resources, and Council members asked questions for clarification; and Council approved the March 21, 2024 Closed Minutes in closed session.

16. Confirmation of Proceedings

a. By-law 2024-033 - Confirmatory By-law

Resolution # C-2024-093

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

That the following by-law be approved:

By-law 2024-033, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the County of Bruce at its meeting held on the 6th day of June, 2024.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution # C-2024-094

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver

That the meeting of Bruce County Council adjourn at 11:11 a.m.

Carried

Luke Charbonneau, Deputy Warden

Linda White, Clerk