



Bruce County Council Minutes

Date: August 15, 2024

Location: Council Chambers

County Administration Centre, Walkerton

Present	Chris Peabody, Warden	Steve Hammell, Councillor
	Luke Charbonneau, Deputy Warden	Jay Kirkland, Councillor
	Kenneth Craig, Councillor	Milt McIver, Councillor
	Mark Goetz, Councillor	Don Murray, Councillor
Staff	Christine MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer	Jeffrey Loney, Economic Development Manager
	Sean Morphy, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer	Sandro D'Alessandro, Real Estate Coordinator
	Megan Garland, Director of Long-Term Care and Senior Services	Jessica Pridham, Business Services Manager, Museum
	Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services	Lynn Hatten, Deputy Treasurer
	Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services	Adam Alpaugh, Capital Asset Analyst
	Jenn Robinson, Director of Human Resources	Christy Lowry, Housing Services Program Supervisor
	Steve Schaus, Director and Chief of Paramedic Services	Gillian Andrews, Children's Services Manager
	Adam Stanley, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services	Ray Lux, Deputy Chief of Paramedic Services, Professional Standards and Community Emergency Management Coordinator, Paramedic Services
	Aaron Stauch, Director of Government Relations	Krista Miller, Community Emergency Management Coordinator
	Jack Van Dorp, Director of Planning and Development	Jennifer Smith, Manager of Purchasing
	Sam Dinsmore, Director of Corporate Services	Linda White, Clerk
	Joanna Aegard, Assistant Director of Library Services	Julie Ireland, Deputy Clerk
	Jake Bousfield-Bastedo, Intermediate Planner	

Also Present Dana Keiffer; Kate Burns Gallagher

1. Call to Order

The meeting of Bruce County Council was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

The minutes were recorded by the Deputy Clerk.

2. Additions, Deletions, Amendments to Agenda

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

- a. Deputy Warden Luke Charbonneau - County Official Plan Amendment C-2024-003 (Voisin) declared a pecuniary interest citing the nature of interest being that he owns property within the prescribed notice area of the application.

4. Public Notice

5. Announcements

- a. **Award Presentation - Ontario Business Improvement Area Association Award of Excellence - Spruce the Bruce**

Presented by Warden Peabody to Jeffrey Loney, Manager of Economic Development

6. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution # C-2024-127

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Mark Goetz

That the minutes of the August 1, 2024 Council meeting be approved as circulated.

Carried

7. Public Meeting

a. County Official Plan Amendment C-2024-003 (Voisin)

Deputy Warden Luke Charbonneau declared a conflict on this item. (Owns property within the prescribed notice area of the application.)

The Chair opened the Public Meeting for the Bruce County Official Plan Amendment C-2024-003 and Jake Bousfield-Bastedo, Intermediate Planner, presented the planning report. The Planner's report recommended the amendment be approved as it is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

Dana Keiffer, Planner for the Applicant, spoke in support of the application and noted the following details:

- a. A new house on the proposed severed lot would be in roughly the same location as the current carport, which will be demolished. Building a new structure on the same location as a currently existing structure should result in minimal impacts on the cold-water stream.
- b. The County's Official Plan allows for setbacks when positive mitigation measures can be implemented.

No questions were asked by Council.

Resolution # C-2024-128

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That Bruce County Official Plan Amendment Application C-2024-003 for lands described as Range Lake Pt Lot 32 (Saugeen Township) in the Town of Saugeen Shores be approved; and

That the Clerk be directed to bring forward a by-law to adopt the Official Plan Amendment.

Carried

8. Delegations

a. Kate Burns Gallagher, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

Presented the purpose of WOWC and its 2024 priorities.

9. Reports - for Information

The following reports were presented for information:

- a. Corporate Services - Q2 2024 Summary of Awarded Tenders**
- b. Corporate Services - Q2 2024 Summary of Purchasing Policy Suspension Approvals**
- c. Corporate Services - Q2 2024 Financial Statement Review**
- d. Human Services - Q2 2024 Licensed Childcare and Early Years Report**
- e. Human Services - Q2 2024 Housing Services Report**

10. Reports - for Direction

a. Transportation and Environmental Services - Assume and dedicate a 2.56 metre widening to the County Highway System

Resolution # C-2024-129

Moved by Councillor Kenneth Craig

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

That a by-law be passed to establish Part 2 on survey Plan 3R10721, being a 2.56 metre widening, as part of the Public Highway System for the Corporation of the County of Bruce and forming part of Bruce Road 20.

Carried

b. Transportation and Environmental Services - Officer Appointment By-law

Resolution # C-2024-130

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Mark Goetz

That a by-law be introduced to appoint officers to enforce by-laws of the County of Bruce; and

That By-law Numbers 2019-053 and 2022-070 be repealed.

Carried

c. Paramedic Services - Bruce County Emergency Response Plan

Resolution # C-2024-131

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Deputy Warden Luke Charbonneau

That the Bruce County Emergency Response Plan be approved; and

That the Clerk be directed to bring forward a by-law to adopt the Plan; and

That By-law 4129 be repealed.

Carried

d. Corporate Services - Debt Management Policy

Resolution # C-2024-132

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Craig

That the Debt Management Policy be approved, and

That a by-law be introduced to adopt the policy.

Carried

**e. Corporate Services - 2024 Bruce County Asset Management Plan
Resolution # C-2024-133**

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver

Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Craig

That the 2024 Bruce County Asset Management Plan be approved as presented and;

That the financial implications of the Asset Management Plan be brought forward as part of the 2025 budget process.

Carried

11. Motions and Notice of Motions

12. By-laws

By-laws 2024-047, 2024-048, 2024-049

Resolution # C-2024-134

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

Seconded by Deputy Warden Luke Charbonneau

That the following by-laws be approved:

By-law 2024-047, being a by-law to authorize a Municipal Funding Agreement on the Canada Community-Building Fund

By-law 2024-048, being a by-law to establish and assume Part 2, 3R10721, being a 2.56 metre widening adjacent to Bruce Road 20, as part of the public highway system for the County of Bruce

By-law 2024-049, being a by-law to adopt Amendment Number C-2024-003 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

Carried

13. Communications (including Minutes of Boards & Committees)

- a. **Grey Bruce Board of Health - July meeting Agenda & Previous Minutes**
- b. **Minutes of the July 4, 2024 Striking Committee Meeting**
- c. **Town of Plympton-Wyoming - Underserviced Cellular Communication Services in Rural and Urban Centres in Ontario**
- d. **AMO - The Opioid Crisis: A Municipal Perspective**
- e. **Impact Assessment Agency of Canada - Bruce C Nuclear Project - Comment Period and Virtual Information Sessions**
- f. **Bruce Power - Notice of Commencement of Impact Assessment Submission of Bruce C Initial Project Description**

14. Closed Session

Council moved into a Closed Session meeting at 10:44 a.m.

- a. **Section 239(2)(c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board**
- b. **Section 239(2)(b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees**
- c. **Approval of Minutes - June 20, 2024**

Resolution # C-2024-135

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

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)(c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board Kincardine Paramedic Station
- b. Section 239(2)(b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees Striking Committee Final Report on 2024 CAO Interim Performance Evaluation
- c. Approval of Minutes - June 20, 2024

Carried

15. Report from Closed Session

Council arose to the Open Session meeting at 10:55 a.m.

The Warden reported that Council gave direction to staff regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land with respect to the Kincardine Paramedic Station, and received an update on the Striking Committee Final Report on the 2024 CAO Interim Performance Evaluation. Council also approved the June 20, 2024 Closed Minutes in closed session.

16. Confirmation of Proceedings

By-law 2024-050

Resolution # C-2024-136

Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell

Seconded by Councillor Jay Kirkland

That the following by-law be approved:

By-law 2024-050, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the County of Bruce at the meeting held on the 15th day of August, 2024.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution # C-2024-137

Moved by Councillor Don Murray

That the meeting of Bruce County Council adjourn at 11:01 a.m.

Carried

Chris Peabody, Warden

Linda White, Clerk