Bruce County Council Minutes

July 11, 2019
Township of Huron-Kinloss
21 Queen Street
Ripley ON N0G 2R0

Present
Mitch Twolan, Warden
Robert Buckle, Councillor
Luke Charbonneau, Councillor
Anne Eadie, Councillor
Steve Hammell, Councillor
Janice Jackson, Councillor
Milt McIver, Councillor
Chris Peabody, Councillor

Staff
Murray Clarke, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Bettyanne Cobean, Director of Corporate Services
Grace Dawson, Interim Library Director
Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services
Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum and Cultural Services
Michael McKeage, Director of Health Services
Marianne Nero, Director of Human Resources
Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services
Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Development
Donna Van Wyck, Clerk
Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order
The meeting of Bruce County Council was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.
3. **Confirmation of Council Minutes**

*Moved by Councillor Steve Hammell*
*Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie*

That the minutes of the June 13, 2019 Council Session be adopted as circulated.

*Carried*

4. **Communications**

- **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing**
  Advising of the release of the More Homes, More choice action plan to tackle Ontario's housing crisis on May 2, 2019

- **City of Brantford**
  Resolution recommending that additional regulatory controls be approved by the Province of Ontario around retail cannabis stores

- **Municipalities of South Bruce / Northern Bruce Peninsula**
  Resolution recommending that a collaborative approach to the Community Safety and Well-Being Plans would be beneficial to the lower tier municipalities across Bruce County

  Referred to the Human Services Committee

- **Township of Warwick**
  Resolution requesting the Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General to work with his fellow MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws - or new legislation - to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals

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5. **Delegations**

There were no delegations.

6. **Reports from Staff**

a. **August 8, 2019 Committee Meeting Date Change**

  The August 8, 2019 Committee Meeting Date Change Report is for information. The Planning and Development and Transportation and
Environmental Services Committees will meet on Thursday, August 15, 2019.

b. Board of Health Update

Dr. Arra, Medical Officer of Health was in attendance and addressed Council in relation to Modernizing Ontario Public Health.

Dr. Arra spoke to the following points:

1. Key Objectives
   - Ensuring continued and complete delivery of services to the public
   - Meeting expectations of the proposed provincial budget savings
   - Ensuring meaningful connection between public health and communities.

2. Vehicle: the vehicle for delivering the above objectives is The Centre of Excellence in Rural Public Health

3. The Grey Bruce Health Unit builds upon its foundational work to modernize and amalgamate as the new regional public health entity - the Bruce-Grey-Huron-Perth Centre of Excellence in Rural Public Health.

4. Historically, we have successfully carried out amalgamations of health units in our region through consolidation of operations, back-office functions and locations.

5. Complex issues specific to rural and small urban communities are addressed through an array of strategies including a broad scope of practice for our workforce and the use of a wide range of appropriate technologies.

6. Using evidence based and best practices, we plan and deliver high quality public health programs across a large geographic region with a diverse demographic.

7. A consensus agreement to amalgamate offers the most benefit for the participants and the government on the organizational design, human resources, technological infrastructure and location.
8. Our organization:

- fiscally responsible, providing value for the money
- a multi-disciplinary team with industry-leading skills, experience and knowledge
- efficient forward looking set of administrative and back-office functions
- superior execution of frontline program delivery
- built the foundational infrastructure:
  1. Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) certified building that allows the scale-up of operations and capacity;
  2. Information Technology that is enterprise strength

9. Next Steps

As a champion for rural public health, our organization has built the systems and processes necessary to successfully move forward with the next step in modernizing Ontario Public Health and more. We seek your support to advocate on our behalf during the provincial consultations and in the wider arena of public opinion as The Centre of Excellence in Rural Public Health for Ontario.

10. Other Health Units have different consideration from our region; listening to local stakeholders (Boards of Health and MOHs) is of critical importance

Dr. Arra reported that there will be Consultation with the Ministry in July and August, 2019 and respectfully requested municipalities to emphasize # 3, “keeping connection between communities and public health in their comments / feedback to the Ministry.

7. Inquiries and Announcements

2020 Warden Announcements

Warden Twolan announced his intention to seek the position of Warden for 2020.

Councillor Anne Eadie announced her intention to seek the position of Warden for 2020.
Recognition of Bettyanne Cobean, Director of Corporate Services

Warden Twolan acknowledged Ms. Bettyanne Cobean, Director of Corporate Services who will be retiring from the County, July 31st, 2019 for her 30 years of dedicated service and commitment to the County of Bruce. The Warden presented Bettyanne with a bouquet of flowers.

8. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

June 13, 2019
- Corporate Services Committee
- Executive Committee
- Homes Committee
- Human Resources Committee
- Human Services Committee
- Museum Committee

June 20, 2019
- Homes Committee
- Planning and Development Committee
- Transportation and Environmental Services Committee

Carried

9. Notice of Motion

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson

That staff be directed to issue an RFP within 60 days for satellite services at all Bruce County Housing Corporation sites currently receiving analog services; and,

That staff conduct a survey of the tenants residing in those buildings for their interest in switching from their current service to satellite service; and,
That this request be referred to the next Bruce County Housing Corporation meeting.

10. **Other Business**

There was no other business.

11. **By-laws**

*Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau*
*Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver*

That the following by-laws be approved:

2019-033 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number 239 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

2019-034 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number 240 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

2019-035 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number 241 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

2019-036 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number 237 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

2019-037 - A by-law to provide for certain capping options with respect to property taxes for those properties in the commercial, industrial and multi-residential classes for the 2019 taxation year

2019-038 - A by-law to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and M'Wikwedong native Cultural Resource Centre for the Giwe Project under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Funding Allocation

2019-039 - A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the County of the County of Bruce at its meeting held the 11th day of July, 2019

Carried
12. **Adjournment**
   
   Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle  
   Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver  
   
   That the meeting of Bruce County Council adjourn at 9:57 a.m.  
   
   Carried  

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   Mitch Twolan, Warden  

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   Donna Van Wyck, Clerk