

MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING



Date: Monday, May 7, 2018
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: HELD IN THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reeve Neil Vincent
Deputy Reeve James Campbell
Councillor Ray Hallahan
Councillor Yolanda Ritsema-Teeninga
Councillor Trevor Seip
Councillor Brock Vodden
Councillor Bill Knott

STAFF PRESENT: Dwayne Evans, CAO
Richard Al, Clerk/Manager of Information Technology
Donna White, Director of Finance
Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and Facilities
Sean McGhee, Director of Public Works
Marty Bedard, Fire Chief
Chad Kregar, Deputy Fire Chief

OTHERS PRESENT: Adam Bell, CKNX
Vicki Henderson, Jackie Lantinga, Judy Sloan, Jim Sloan,
Archie MacGowan, John Brown, Bill Taylor, Doreen Taylor,
Bart Cameron, John Schenk, Tessa Leboeuf, Chris Leboeuf,
Vanessa Reinhardt, Mark McDougall, Dianna Robinson,
Jullian Underwood, Barbara Underwood, Barry Underwood,
Herman Mooy, Barry Young, Doug Howatt

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Vincent called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1.1 Introduction of Fire Chief, Marty Bedard

Deputy Chief Chad Kregar introduced Fire Chief Marty Bedard.

Reeve Vincent welcomed Chief Bedard to North Huron.

1.2 Resignation of Director of Recreation and Facilities, Pat Newson

Reeve Vincent and Council expressed their gratitude to Pat Newson for her years of service with North Huron.

M223/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: R. Hallahan

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby accept with regret, the resignation of Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and Facilities, effective May 25, 2018.

CARRIED

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

M224/18

MOVED BY: B. Vodden

SECONDED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron; accept the Agenda for the May 7, 2018 Council Meeting; as amended to include Item 12.1 - North Huron Westcast Community Complex HVAC and an additional item under 13. Closed Session regarding Blyth-Hullett Landfill.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3.1 Councillor Seip – Item 6.7.1 - Pay Equity, Market Review Report

Councillor Seip declared a conflict on Item 6.7.1 due to his wife being an employee of the North Huron Childcare department.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes

4.1.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 16, 2018

4.1.2 Minutes of the Budget Meeting held April 23, 2018

4.1.3 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held April 30, 2018

4.1.4 Minutes of the Blyth BIA Annual General Meeting held February 22, 2018

4.1.5 Minutes of the Blyth BIA Meeting held March 8, 2018

4.1.6 Minutes of the Blyth BIA Meeting held April 4, 2018

4.1.7 Minutes of the Wingham BIA Meeting held April 5, 2018

4.1.8 Minutes of the Council of the County of Huron - Fifth Session held April 4, 2018

4.2 Reports

4.2.1 Bills and Accounts

4.2.2 Public Works Department 05-07-18 (Amendment to Blyth Annual Water Report)

4.2.3 CAO Report 05-07-18 (Department Update)

4.3 Correspondence

4.3.1 Municipal Election Candidate Information Session - June 27, 2018

4.3.2 Huron County Planning and Development Department - Bill 139 Update

4.3.3 Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration - Nominations for the Champion of Diversity Award.

4.3.4 Ministry of Education - Revised Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline

4.3.5 Ministry of Energy - Green Button Update

4.3.6 Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs - 2018 Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence

4.3.7 Ontario Provincial Police - Q1 Calls for Service Billing Summary Report

4.3.8 AMO Policy Update - Canada-Ontario Bilateral Agreement Signed for the National Housing Strategy

4.3.9 AMO Policy Update - Guide to Cannabis Legalization for Municipalities Released

4.3.10 AMO Policy Update - Three Presumptive Cancers for Firefighters Announced

4.3.11 AMO Board of Directors Call for Nominations

M225/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: J. Campbell

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby adopts Consent Items 4.1.1 to 4.1.3;

AND FURTHER THAT all other Consent Items be received for information.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS

5.1 Karen Stewart, Chair, Deb Sholdice, Treasurer, Amy Zoethout, Co-ordinator
- Blyth BIA Update on RTO4 Destination Animation fund initiatives

Karen Stewart, Chair, Deb Sholdice, Treasurer, Amy Zoethout, Co-ordinator, delivered a presentation on behalf of the Blyth BIA.

K. Stewart introduced the Blyth BIA members in attendance.

D. Sholdice provided an overview of the Blyth Artisan Market noting that the final location for the market will be behind 437 Queen Street however the space is not available at this time and as such a temporary alternate location is required.

D. Sholdice requested authorization and support from North Huron to close Dinsley Street from Queen Street, west to the alley, on Thursdays from May 31 to September 13, 2018 between the hours of 3:30pm to 8:00pm as well as on July 8, July 15, August 12 and August 19, 2018 to allow the Artisan Market to use the space.

K. Stewart provided details of the RTO4 Destination Animation Fund projects currently being planned.

K. Stewart, D. Sholdice and A. Zoethout were thanked and resumed seats in the public gallery at 7:22pm.

M226/18

MOVED BY: B. Vodden

SECONDED BY: R. Hallahan

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby direct staff to prepare a report regarding the Blyth BIA's request for support of an Artisan Market in Blyth, addressing the request to close a portion of Dinsley Street in Blyth as well as the request to extend the municipality's insurance coverage to the market.

CARRIED

5.2 Denise Lockie, North Huron Marketing Assistant - Presentation of Taking Pride in North Huron Video

Denise Lockie, Marketing Assistant, Township of North Huron, provided a background on the Taking Pride in North Huron video project that was completed in conjunction with University of Western Ontario students.

D. Lockie played the video for Council and those present.

Council applauded the video and thanked the University of Western

Ontario students and Denise Lockie for their work on preparing the video showcasing North Huron.

D. Lockie departed the meeting at 7:30 pm.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Clerks Department

6.1.1 Blyth BIA Updated Constitution and Levy

M227/18

MOVED BY: B. Vodden

SECONDED BY: B. Knott

*THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receive the May 7, 2018 report of the Clerk / Manager of IT entitled Blyth BIA Updated Constitution and Levy, for information;
AND FURTHER, that the Clerk is directed to prepare the necessary by-laws to adopt the Blyth BIA updated constitution and minimum / maximum levy changes.*

CARRIED

6.2 Finance Department

6.2.1 Friends of the Museum Fundraising Account

M228/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby authorizes the transfer of the bank balance from the Friends of the Museum Fundraising Account to the Wingham and District Horticultural Society for the maintenance of the Alice Munro Literary Garden.

CARRIED

6.2.2 2018 BIA Budgets

M229/18

MOVED BY: B. Knott

SECONDED BY: B. Vodden

*THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby adopts the 2018 Wingham and Blyth BIA Budgets;
AND FURTHER that the levy amounts be included in the 2018 Township of North Huron final budget and tax levy.*

CARRIED

6.2.3 2018 Budget Report

Director of Finance, Donna White delivered a 2018 Budget overview presentation.

Discussion took place regarding the Wingham Police Service 2018 Budget.

Deputy Reeve Campbell moved a motion requesting the North Huron Police Service Board review the Wingham Police Service budget to find efficiencies and cost savings.

Councillor Seip requested a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote

Deputy-Reeve Campbell	Yea
Councillor Hallahan	Yea
Councillor Knott	Yea
Councillor Vodden	Yea
Councillor Seip	Nay
Councillor Ritsema-Teeninga	Yea
Reeve Vincent	Yea

M230/18

MOVED BY: J. Campbell

SECONDED BY: B. Vodden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby requests that the North Huron Police Services Board review the proposed 2018 Budget for the Wingham Police Service and attempt to find efficiencies and cost savings.

CARRIED

Discussion took place regarding a budget amount that the Police Services Board should aim for which would be acceptable to Council.

Discussion took place regarding the Wingham Police Service 2018 Budget.

Discussion took place regarding timeline for presentation of the budget after it has been reviewed by the Police Services Board.

6.3 Recreation and Facilities Department

6.3.1 Temporary Easement Agreement for Blyth Memorial Community Hall

M231/18

MOVED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

SECONDED BY: B. Vodden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receives the report May 7, 2018 from the Director of Recreation and Facilities for the Temporary Easement Agreement for Blyth Memorial Community Hall; AND FURTHER THAT Council accepts the terms of the Temporary Easement Agreement for 431 Queen Street, Blyth; AND FURTHER THAT Council approves an exception to Section 19.1 of the Procedural By-Law to allow By Law 49-2018 to be passed at the May 7, 2018 Council meeting.

CARRIED

6.4 Public Works / Utilities Department

6.4.1 Maintenance Gravel Tender (2018)

M232/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: J. Campbell

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receive the report of the Director of Public Works, dated May 7th, 2018 regarding the procurement of maintenance gravel for 2018 for information; AND FURTHER, that the contract for the crushing, hauling, and spreading of maintenance gravel in the Township of North Huron for 2018, in the amount of \$111,375.00 plus applicable taxes be awarded to Joe Kerr Limited.

CARRIED

6.5 Fire Department of North Huron

6.6 Building Department

6.7 CAO

6.7.1 Pay Equity, Market Review Report

M233/18

MOVED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

SECONDED BY: J. Campbell

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receives the report of the CAO, dated May 7, 2018 regarding implementation of a pay equity/market review study;

AND FURTHER, that Council approves an exception to Section 19.1 of the Procedural By-law to allow By-law 47-2018 being a by-law to establish salary ranges for municipal employees of the Corporation of the Township of North Huron to be passed at the May 7, 2018 Council Meeting;
AND FURTHER, that Council directs the Treasurer to amend the 2018 draft budget by increasing the budget by \$70,000 to implement the pay equity/market review study;
AND FURTHER, that Council approves implementation of the new pay grid effective May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 North Huron Economic Development Committee Recommendation - Alice Munro Festival Funding Requests

M234/18

MOVED BY: B. Knott

SECONDED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby allocate \$3,500 towards the Alice Munro Festival as recommended by the North Huron Economic Development Committee.

CARRIED

- 7.2 Request to formally proclaim May 7 - 13, 2018 as Nursing Week in the Township of North Huron.

M235/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby supports the Reeve in proclaiming May 7 - 13, 2018 as Nursing Week.

CARRIED

- 7.3 Barn Dance Historical Society request for exemption from the security provisions for the 21th Annual Barn Dance Campout Jamboree being held May 24-27, 2018 at the Blyth Campground.

M236/18

MOVED BY: T. Seip

SECONDED BY: B. Vodden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby waives the requirement for off-duty police officers or private security company

personnel during alcohol service, required in the Municipal Alcohol Policy, for the upcoming Barn Dance Campout Jamboree to be held at the Blyth Community Centre on May 24, 25, 26 and 27, 2018.

CARRIED

- 7.4 Huron County Farm & Home Safety Association request for financial support in promoting safety on agricultural operations throughout Huron County.

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

8.1 REEVE ACTIVITY REPORT

Reeve Vincent reported attending the 2018 Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) conference on May 2 to 4, 2018 in Niagara Falls.

Reeve Vincent noted that the OSUM presentations will be made available to Council.

Reeve Vincent thanked Public Works staff for their work cleaning up the debris after the wind storm on May 4, 2018.

8.2 COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS (Verbal or written updates from members who sit on boards/committees)

Councillor Vodden reported attending the 2018 OSUM conference on May 2 to 4, 2018 and noted attending a session on the role of municipalities in terms of healthcare as well as a session regarding education specifically the pupil accommodation review process.

Councillor Vodden commented on community newspapers being purchased by larger publishers.

8.3 REQUESTS BY MEMBERS

9. NOTICE OF MOTION

9.1 Councillor Seip - Request for report regarding Snow Removal Policy

*Whereas the former Village of Blyth had a snow removal policy of ensuring full access to downtown places of business for every business day; and
Whereas this policy was maintained for the Blyth Ward for several years after amalgamation of North Huron; and*

Whereas the present snow removal policy of scheduled snow removal results in as many as three days a week in which passengers, people with mobility issues, and others are unable to gain reasonable access to the stores and offices which they need to visit.

Now therefore be it resolved that staff are requested to prepare a report and present available options regarding the North Huron snow removal policy as it specifically relates to the downtown core of both the Wingham and Blyth wards, addressing accessibility to stores and offices for all business days, by eliminating the snow banks along the curbs and sidewalks, and at the intersections prior to the beginning of each business day.

9.2 Councillor Seip - Request for report regarding North Huron policing

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby directs staff to prepare a report detailing the necessary steps and associated costs to expand the service area of Wingham Police Service to include the Blyth and East Wawanosh Wards and as part of the report, take into consideration the current OPP service level and budget allocations for the Blyth and East Wawanosh wards.

10. BY-LAWS

10.1 By-law No. 45-2018

Being a by-law to authorize the Reeve and Clerk to sign, on behalf of Council, an agreement between the Township of North Huron and Lavis Contracting Co. Limited for the Arthur Street Servicing Project.

M237/18

MOVED BY: J. Campbell

SECONDED BY: T. Seip

THAT By-law No. 45-2018; Being a by-law to authorize the Reeve and Clerk to sign, on behalf of Council, an agreement between the Township of North Huron and Lavis Contracting Co. Limited for the Arthur Street Servicing Project; be introduced, read a first, second, third and final time, signed by the Reeve and Clerk and be engrossed in the By-law book.

CARRIED

10.2 By-law No. 46-2018

Being a by-law to adopt a Signage Policy for the Richard W. LeVan Airport.

M238/18

MOVED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

SECONDED BY: R. Hallahan

By-law No. 46-2018; being a by-law to adopt a Signage Policy for the Richard W. LeVan Airport; be introduced, read a first, second, third and final time, signed by the Reeve and Clerk and be engrossed in the By-law Book.

CARRIED

10.3 By-law No. 47-2018

Being a by-law to establish salary ranges for municipal employees of the Corporation of the Township of North Huron.

This By-law was deferred.

10.4 By-law No. 48-2018

Being a by-law for the purposes of levying and collecting rates for various purposes and provide for the payment of taxes and to provide for penalty and interest.

This By-law was deferred.

10.5 By-law No. 49-2018

Being a by-law to authorize the Reeve and Clerk to sign, on behalf of Council, a Temporary Easement Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of North Huron and Deams Holdings Inc., to allow a temporary easement upon, over, in, under and across the lands of 431 Queen Street Blyth, to conduct renovations to the building located at 437-441 Queen Street, Blyth.

M239/18

MOVED BY: B. Knott

SECONDED BY: Y. Ritsema-Teeninga

By-law No. 49-2018; being a by-law to authorize the Reeve and Clerk to sign, on behalf of Council, a Temporary Easement Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of North Huron and Deams Holdings Inc., to allow a temporary easement upon, over, in, under and across the lands of 431 Queen Street Blyth, to conduct renovations to the building located at 437-441 Queen Street, Blyth; be introduced, read a first, second, third and final time, signed by the Reeve and Clerk and be engrossed in the By-law Book.

CARRIED**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS****12. OTHER BUSINESS****12.1 North Huron Wescast Community Complex HVAC**

Director of Recreation and Facilities, Pat Newson, provided an overview of repairs needed to the North Huron Wescast Community Complex HVAC condenser unit.

M240/18**MOVED BY:** J. Campbell**SECONDED BY:** T. Seip

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby authorizes the Director of Recreation and Facilities to proceed with repairs to the North Huron Wescast Community Complex HVAC condenser unit in the amount of \$7,700 to be taken from the general facility repairs budget.

CARRIED

Reeve Vincent noted that a card would be circulated for Council to sign sending condolences to Gary Rutledge on the passing of his father.

13. CLOSED SESSION AND REPORTING OUT

Councillor Ritsema-Teeninga departed the meeting at 9:30pm.

M241/18**MOVED BY:** J. Campbell**SECONDED BY:** B. Vodden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby proceeds at 9:35 pm. to an In-Camera Session (Closed to the Public) to discuss the following:

- Section 239 (2) (k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (Huron Pioneer Thresher's Agreement);*
- Section 239 (2) (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and Section 239 (2) (c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Blyth-Hullett Landfill);*
- Section 239 (2) (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and Section 239 (2) (d)*

Labour relations or employee negotiations (Recreation Department Personnel)

CARRIED

M242/18

MOVED BY: J. Campbell

SECONDED BY: T. Seip

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby proceed to the Regular Council meeting at 10:48 pm.

CARRIED

Clerk Richard Al reported that the during the Closed Session three items were discussed:

- Council received an update regarding the Huron Pioneer Threshers Agreement.
- Council received an update regarding the Blyth-Hullet Landfill.
- Council received an update regarding Recreation Department personnel.

M243/18

MOVED BY: J. Campbell

SECONDED BY: B. Vodden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby confirm the direction given to staff, in Closed Session.

CARRIED

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

- 14.1 By-law No. 50-2018, being a By-law of the Township of North Huron to confirm generally previous actions of the Council of the Township of North Huron.

M244/18

MOVED BY: R. Hallahan

SECONDED BY: J. Campbell

THAT By-law 50-2018; being a by-law to confirm generally previous actions of the Council of the Township of North Huron; be introduced, read a first, second, third and final time, signed by the Reeve and Clerk and be engrossed in the By-law book.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

M245/18

MOVED BY: B. Vodden

SECONDED BY: R. Hallahan

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron agree that there being no further business before Council; the meeting be hereby adjourned at 10:49 pm.

CARRIED

Neil Vincent, Reeve

Richard Al, Clerk