

The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council Meeting Minutes

Date: January 15, 2024

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Council Chambers

Members Present Don Murray, Mayor

Jim Hanna, Deputy Mayor Shari Flett, Councillor Scott Gibson, Councillor Ed McGugan, Councillor Carl Sloetjes, Councillor

Members Absent Larry Allison, Councillor

Staff Present Jennifer White, Clerk

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer

Jodi MacArthur, Treasurer

Staff Absent Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Shane Watson, Fire Chief

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

1. Call to Order

Mayor Murray called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None disclosed.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 01

Moved By Jim Hanna

Seconded By Ed McGugan

THAT the minutes of the Council meetings of December 18, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried

4. Financial Reports

4.1 January 2024 Accounts, TR-2024-01-4

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 -02

Moved By Shari Flett

Seconded By Scott Gibson

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives for information Report TR-2024-01-04 prepared by Sarah Phelan, Administrative Assistant/Finance;

AND FURTHER authorizes payment of the January accounts in the amount of \$602, 144.58.

Carried

4.2 Previous Month Actual Accounts – December 2023, TR-2024-01-3

In response to an inquiry from Council, Staff noted that one item is a reimbursement for an overpaid tax installment.

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 03

Moved By Ed McGugan Seconded By Carl Sloetjes

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives for information Report TR-2024-01-3 prepared by Jodi MacArthur, Treasurer;

AND FURTHER ratifies and confirms payment of the December accounts in the amount of \$5,262,999.54.

5. Staff Reports

5.1 Chief Administrative Officer

5.1.a Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) Funding 2024, CAO-2024-01-3

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 04

Moved By Carl Sloetjes Seconded By Shari Flett

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives Report CAO-2024-01-03 prepared by Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer;

AND in so doing approves the 2024 Draft Work Plan presented to the NWMO;

AND FURTHER authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to execute any agreements in relation to the Resources to Support Engagement of Interested Communities & the Early Investment in Education Skills Program.

Carried

6. By-Laws and Agreements

6.1 2024 Borrowing By-Law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 05

Moved By Scott Gibson Seconded By Ed McGugan

THAT the "2024 Borrowing By-Law" by-law be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024 - 01.

Carried

6.2 2024 Interim Taxation By-Law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 -06

Moved By Carl Sloetjes Seconded By Jim Hanna

THAT the "2024 Interim Taxation By-Law" by-law be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024 - 02.

Carried

7. Matters Arising

7.1 Park Street Drainage Tender By-Law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 -07

Moved By Ed McGugan Seconded By Shari Flett

THAT the "Park Street Drainage Tender By-law" be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024.03.

Carried

7.2 Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycle Garbage Collection By-Law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 -08

Moved By Scott Gibson Seconded By Ed McGugan

THAT the "Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycle Garbage Collection By-Law" be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024 - 05.

Carried

7.3 2023-2033 Strategic Plan: Blueprint for the Future By-Law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 09

Moved By Jim Hanna

Seconded By Scott Gibson

THAT the "2023-2033 Strategic Plan: Blueprint for the Future By-Law" be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024 - 06.

Carried

7.4 Maitland Valley Source Water Protection Plan Pre-Consultation

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 10

Moved By Shari Flett Seconded By Scott Gibson

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss, at their regular meeting held on January 15, 2024 considered correspondence regarding Notice of Pre-Consultation - Proposed Updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan;

AND FURTHER THAT pursuant to Section 34(3) of the Clean Water Act, 2006, the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss endorses the proposed updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan;

AND FURTHER THAT provisions of this resolution meets requirements of Section 34(3) of the Clean Water Act, 2006.

Carried

7.5 Appointment of Treasurer (Christine Heinisch) By-law

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 11

Moved By Ed McGugan Seconded By Carl Sloetjes

THAT the "Appointment of Treasurer (Christine Heinisch) By-law" be deemed to be read a first, second, third time and finally passed and numbered as By-law No. 2024 - 04

Carried

8. Township Committee Minutes Received

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 12

Moved By Scott Gibson Seconded By Ed McGugan

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 8.

Carried

8.1 Lucknow and District Fire Board

9. New Business/ Council Reports

Members of Council discussed the Heat Pump Rebates & Grants Program offered by various organizations and what role the Township could play in assisting residents.

Canadian National Resources (Canadian Government) has resources for consumers and other grants are provided through the residential heating providers. NRGwise is another resource for scheduling Energy Audits, which are a prerequisite for the rebate programs.

9.1 Request for Amendments to By-law 2017-116 regulating Kennels

Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 13

Moved By Ed McGugan Seconded By Shari Flett

WHEREAS the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council passed By-law No. 2017-116 to regulate the licensing of Kennels in the Township of Huron-Kinloss;

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 2017-116, as amended provides that every person who owns or operates a Kennel shall comply with the requirements set out in "A Code of Practice for Canadian Kennel Operations" published by the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association and dated May 2007, or any successor document thereto (the "Code");

AND WHEREAS the Township of Huron-Kinloss received report BLE-2023-10-22 outlining changes to the Code effective 2024, which may disadvantage some local business owners who do not use electricity;

AND WHEREAS the Township recognizes that the health and welfare of the animals cared for in a Kennel operation is of the utmost importance;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Huron-Kinloss wishes to consider amendments that would update terminology within the by-law, and provide flexibility to businesses, while maintaining care standards;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Staff be directed to provide a report to Council with respect to possible amendments to the Animal Control/Kennel Licensing By-law No. 2017-116 which would provide flexibility to business owners while ensuring that puppies and dogs that reside within a kennel have adequate living conditions, and would additionally update terminology within the by-law to current standards.

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10.	Confirming By-Law	
	Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 14	
	Moved By Carl Sloetjes Seconded By Jim Hanna	
	THAT the "Confirmatory January 2024" By-law be desecond, third time and finally passed and numbered	
		Carried
11.	Adjournment	
	Resolution No.: 01/15/2024 - 15	
	Moved By Carl Sloetjes Seconded By Scott Gibson	
	THAT this meeting adjourn at 3:32 p.m.	
		Carried
Mayo	or Clerk	