



**Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron**  
**Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting**

**Monday, July 13, 2020, 6:00 p.m.**

**Remote Electronic Meeting South Huron Council Chambers**

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- Members Present:           George Finch, Mayor  
                                  Jim Dietrich, Deputy Mayor  
                                  Dianne Faubert, Councillor - Ward 1  
                                  Marissa Vaughan, Councillor - Ward 1  
                                  Aaron Neeb, Councillor - Ward 2  
                                  Barb Willard, Councillor - Ward 2  
                                  Ted Oke - Councillor - Ward 3
- Staff Present:               Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk  
                                  Megan Goss, Public Works Manager  
                                  Julia Roberts, Deputy Treasurer  
                                  Alex Wolfe, Deputy Clerk  
                                  Justin Finkbeiner, Administrative Assistant  
                                  Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
- Others Present:             Ruth Victor, Delegate  
                                  Michele Hamers, Delegate

1.     Meeting Called To Order

Mayor Finch called the meeting to order at 6:00.

2.     Public Meeting

3.     Amendments to the Agenda, as Distributed and Approved by Council

Addition of Item: 8.4.3 - Staff Report

Addition of Item: 10.1 - Notice of Motion

Addition of Item: 12.14.26, 12.14.27, 12.14.28, 12.14.29 - Correspondence

**Motion:** 260-2020

**Moved:** J. Dietrich

**Seconded:** B. Willard

**That South Huron Council approves the Agenda as amended.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4.1 B. Willard - Bluewater Recycling Association - Meeting Highlights from June 18, 2020

I, Barb Willard hereby declare a pecuniary interest to Council Agenda Item No.: 12.6 and 12.7, Item Titles: Bluewater Recycling Association - Meeting Highlights from June 18, 2020 and Services Municipalities with less than 5,000 population, the general reason thereof being: I am an employee of Bluewater Recycling Association.

6:04 p.m. Ms. Hamers turned on her camera.

5. Delegations

5.1 Exotic Animal By-Law and Concerns about the Potential Exemption for the Keeping of Two Lions in the Municipality of South Huron - World Animal Protection & Zoocheck Inc.

Ms. Hamers attended as a delegation on behalf of World Animal Protection. She provided an overview of her qualifications and outlined certain concerns for the keeping of lions as outlined in the joint submission letter as part of her presentation.

**Motion:** 261-2020

**Moved:** B. Willard

**Seconded:** A. Neeb

That South Huron Council receives the delegation on the Exotic Animal By-Law and Concerns about the Potential Exemption for the Keeping of Two Lions in the Municipality of South Huron as presented by Michele Hamers on behalf of World Animal Protection and Zoocheck Inc.

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

6:15 p.m. Ms. Hamers turned off her camera.

6:17 p.m. Ms. Victor turned on her camera.

5.2 Zoning By-Law Amendment and Plan of Subdivision Huron Green Inc. - Ruth Victor & Associates

Ms. Victor attended as a delegation on behalf of Huron Green Inc. Plan of Subdivision. Ms. Victor provided a brief history of the property and noted that the overall purpose of the application. Ms. Victor added that the intention is for existing vacant properties to be renovated, restored to be sold first and as existing units become vacant then they will be renovated.

Ms. Victor noted proposed community improvement specifically the dedication of a gravel trail on south side of Huron Park.

**Motion:** 262-2020

**Moved:** A. Neeb

**Seconded:** J. Dietrich

**That South Huron Council receives the delegation on Zoning By-Law Amendment and Plan of Subdivision Huron Green Inc. as presented by Ruth Victor of Ruth Victor & Associates**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

6:30 p.m. Ms. Victor turned off her camera.

## 6. Minutes

6.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 15, 2020

6.2 Minutes of Public Meeting of June 15, 2020

Councillor Oke inquired as to whether there have been any updates on Whalen Line as the June 15 minutes note in item 8.4.7 that staff would bring back report with recommendations. CAO Best noted that there was a meeting today with Perth, Middlesex and Huron Counties and the municipalities of Perth South, Lucan-Biddulph and South Huron. Staff is looking at seeking Council direction to request that Huron County accept the upload of our share of Whalen Line. CAO Best noted that a report is to be brought to Council in August and noted that this is strictly an upload and a download is not part of this discussion.

**Motion:** 263-2020

**Moved:** A. Neeb

**Seconded:** M. Vaughan

**That South Huron Council adopts the minutes of the Regular and Public Meeting of June 15, 2020, as printed and circulated.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

**Motion:** 264-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** A. Neeb

**That the Municipality of South Huron Council requests that the County of Huron receives the South Huron portion of Whalen Line and accepts the upload of the road to the County of Huron.**

**Disposition: Carried (5-1)**

### 6.3 Minutes of Special Meeting of June 22, 2020

CAO Best noted that this second recommendation for capital cost recovery for the Grand Bend Truck Sanitary Sewer Phase One Project is to provide greater clarity, transparency and to have the discussion outlined in the recommendation for future reference.

**Motion:** 265-2020

**Moved:** A. Neeb

**Seconded:** J. Dietrich

**That South Huron Council adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 22, 2020, as printed and circulated.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

**Motion:** 266-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** M. Vaughan

**That the capital cost recovery for the Grand Bend Truck Sanitary Sewer Phase One Project be as follows;**

- **\$322,000 from Development Charges**
- **\$1,319,000 from Water Reserves; and**

**That the \$1,319,000 borrowed from the water reserves will be repaid with interest as follows;**

- **\$876,000 to be repaid from future Development Charges Revenues;**

- \$443,000 to be repaid from future wastewater rate revenues; and

**That the internal borrowing will be repaid using the Corporation's interest payment rate applicable on the date the financing of the project was approved (June 22, 2020) the Corporation's interest payment rate is prime (2.45%) less 1.65% = .80%.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

7. Councillor Board and Committee Reports

- 7.1 Upper Thames River Conservation Authority - May 26, 2020 UTRCA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes & June 23, 2020 Board Meeting Video

**Motion:** 267-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** M. Vaughan

**That the minutes of the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority of May 26, 2020 Board Directors Meeting be received as presented to Council.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

6:51 p.m. Manager Goss turned on her camera and turned off her camera at 6:53 p.m.

8. Staff Reports

- 8.1 Planning

- 8.2 Community Services

- 8.3 Operations, Infrastructure and Development

- 8.3.1 S. Timmermans, Supervisor of Operations and Transportation - Snow Disposal Site

Manager Goss noted no concerns to lagoon system with respect to possible future expansion, environmental impact or current tenant.

**Motion:** 268-2020

**Moved:** J. Dietrich

**Seconded:** A. Neeb

**That South Huron Council receives the report of S. Timmermans Supervisor of Operations re: New Snow Dump location and;**

**That Council approves the proposed budget for construction of the site and;**

**That an upset limit of \$35,000 be taken from the proceeds of the sale of property PLAN 376 W PT LOT 905 AS; 22R2386 PART 1 PART 2 to construct a new snow disposal site.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

6:54 p.m. Manager Goss turned her camera back on.

- 8.3.2 S. Timmermans, Supervisory of Operations and Transportation & M. Goss, Manager of Public Works - Radar Signs

**Motion:** 269-2020

**Moved:** B. Willard

**Seconded:** M. Vaughan

**That South Huron Council receives the report of S. Timmermans & M. Goss regarding radar signs for information.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

- 8.3.3 M. Goss, Manager of Public Works - Tennis Court Replacement

CAO Best noted that staff is looking for direction. Manager Goss noted that staff has received approval for site clean-up and prepping and have plan in place. Council discussed the report in detail.

No direction to staff was provided.

**Motion:** 270-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** A. Neeb

**That South Huron Council receives the report of M. Goss regarding the replacement of the tennis courts located at the South Huron Recreation Centre.**

**Disposition: Defeated (2-4)**

7:05 p.m. Manager Goss turned her off camera.

7:09 p.m. Deputy Treasurer Roberts turned on her camera.

#### 8.4 General Government Services

##### 8.4.1 J. Roberts, Deputy Treasurer - Financial Implications of Becoming a Certified Living Wage Employer

CAO Best introduced Deputy Treasurer Roberts. Ms. Roberts provided a brief explanation of staff concerns. There was no mover and seconder to the resolution as read however Council voted unanimously in favour of the motion.

**Motion:** 271-2020

**That South Huron Council receives report from J. Roberts, Deputy Treasurer re: Financial Implications of Becoming a Certified Living Wage Employer.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

7:19 p.m. Deputy Treasurer Roberts turned off her camera.

##### 8.4.2 J. Finkbeiner, Administrative Assistant - Request for Services, Complaints and By-Law Infractions - 2nd Quarter 2020 Report

**Motion:** 272-2020

**Moved:** J. Dietrich

**Seconded:** B. Willard

**That South Huron Council receives the report from J. Finkbeiner, Administrative Assistant re: Request for Service, Complaints and By-Law Infractions 2020 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report, for information purposes.**

**Disposition: Carried (6-0)**

##### 8.4.3 D. Best, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk - COVID-19 Re-opening plan presentation

CAO Best noted that this presentation is an extension of the previous one that Council received at the June meeting. He noted that once Council has reviewed the framework for moving into

stage 3 it will be placed on the website along with other documents that support re-opening in South Huron.

**Motion:** 273-2020

**Moved:** B. Willard

**Seconded:** A. Neeb

**That South Huron Council receives the presentation of D. Best dated July 13, 2020 regarding the Re-Open of South Huron be received and endorsed; and**

**That South Huron Council authorizes the continued closure of Port Blake for the 2020 season**

**Disposition: Carried (5-1)**

7:59 p.m. Councillor Faubert joined the meeting.

9. Deferred Business

9.1 Delegations from June 15, 2020 Meeting

Council brought forward Service Line Warranty Program.

**Motion:** 274-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** B. Willard

**That staff be authorized to partner with Service Line Warranties of Canada to deliver the Service Line Warranties program in South Huron.**

**Disposition: Carried (7-0)**

Council brought forward request for exotic animal By-law exemption. CAO Best noted that the By-law remains in effect unless Council provides other direction. Council has the option to allow the exemption and Council can ask staff for a report. No direction was provided to staff.

10. Notices of Motion

8:05 p.m. Mayor Finch left the chair and Deputy Mayor Dietrich took the chair.

10.1 Notice of Motion - Moved by: G. Finch

CAO Best read the motion and Mayor Finch confirmed the motion as read.

**Motion:** 275-2020

**Moved:** G. Finch

Notice of Motion: Moved by G. Finch

Whereas there has been a spate of accidents at the intersection of Highway 83 and Airport Line;

That South Huron Council request County of Huron Transportation staff attend a South Huron Council meeting to discuss safety concerns and propose plan of action measures to ensure the safety of the public at the intersection at Highway 83 and Airport Line; and

That County of Huron Transportation plan of action consider a roundabout, measures for the reduction of speed and traffic signal lights.

8:07 p.m. Mayor Finch resumed the chair.

11. Mayor & Councillor Comments and Announcements

Councillor Neeb noted that he is sitting as Chair on a community task force and affordable housing was the theme. He asked whether tiny homes and shipping container homes could be explored and whether feasible as part of South Huron's tool kit. CAO Best noted that staff have had conversations with developers and that Mayor Finch is also on task force for homelessness and that is something that he will take back to County as well. Clerk Msuya-Collison will follow up with the County on South Huron's request for Huron County Housing Strategy delegation.

Councillor Oke thanked staff and businesses for working with the community and their staff. He noted the importance of shopping local and supporting business in our area. He added to be kind and positive to each other.

12. Communications

Council directed the following communication items pulled: 12.3, 12.4, 12.5, 12.8, 12.12, 12.14.10, 12.15.

12.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Planning Act

12.2 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Covid-19 Economic Recovery Act

12.3 South Huron and North Huron - Joint OPP Correspondence

12.3.1 OPP Commissioner T. Carrique - Response to Municipality of North Huron and South Huron Joint Correspondence

Mayor Finch noted that staff is going to proceed and ask for a meeting with the Commissioner for a Community office in South Huron and keep the Police Services Board updated.

12.4 Lake Huron Area Primary Water Supply System - Financial Statements

12.5 Lake Huron & Elgin Area Water Systems - Municipal Services Board/Corporation Discussions

Councillor Willard advised that she wanted item 12.5 not 12.4 pulled for discussion.

Direction to staff was given to contact Andrew Henry to a Committee of the Whole to provide Council an overview of the Municipal Services Board/Corporation discussion and implications.

8:25 p.m. Councillor Faubert left her camera on and removed herself from the meeting returning at 8:27 p.m.

12.6 Bluewater Recycling Association - Meeting Highlights from June 18, 2020

B. Willard declared a conflict on this item. (I, Barb Willard hereby declare a pecuniary interest to Council Agenda Item No.: 12.6 and 12.7, Item Titles: Bluewater Recycling Association - Meeting Highlights from June 18, 2020 and Services Municipalities with less than 5,000 population, the general reason thereof being: I am an employee of Bluewater Recycling Association.)

12.7 Bluewater Recycling Association - Serviced Municipalities with less than 5,000 Population

12.8 Rural Ontario Institute - Rural Change Makers

Mayor Finch gave kudos to both Morgan Dykstra and Maggie McBride.

12.9 Avon Maitland District School Board - Board Meeting Highlights June 23, 2020

12.10 Municipality of Lambton Shores - Notice of Committee of Adjustment

12.11 Perth South - Notice of Public Meeting

12.12 South Huron Optimist Club - Partnership Proposal - Tennis Courts

Mayor Finch thanked the South Huron Optimists for offering to work on this project and noted that they are a very dedicated group.

### 12.13 Correspondences - Tridon Development in Grand Bend

- 12.13.1 K. Baiger - Opposition to Tridon Subdivision
- 12.13.2 D. Mouter - Proposed Housing on Golf Course
- 12.13.3 M. Siren - Proposed TRIDON Development in Grand Bend
- 12.13.4 K. Wickert - Tridon Development

### 12.14 Correspondences - Request for an Exotic Animal Bylaw Exemption Delegation of June 15, 2020

- 12.14.1 C. Asselman - Grand Bend, Lambton Shores - Exemption to Exotic Animal Bylaw
- 12.14.2 H. Black - Ottawa - Exotic Animals
- 12.14.3 G. Brumitt - City of London , Middlesex - Lions in South Huron Article
- 12.14.4 A. Carr - Port Franks, Lambton Shores - June 15 Delegation
- 12.14.5 M. Ducharme - Concern Regarding Recent Request for Amendment to Exotic Animal By Law
- 12.14.6 D. Duncan - Letter to Council - Regarding the Exotic Animal Exemption for Destiny & Brandon
- 12.14.7 J. Dykstra - Grand Bend, Lambton Shores - Lion Issue
- 12.14.8 J. & S. Hamilton - Grand Bend, South Huron - By-law 24-2019
- 12.14.9 B. Love - Dashwood, Bluewater & Parkhill, South Huron - Lions
- 12.14.10 D. MacLeod - Crediton, South Huron - Regarding the Request for Exemption for African Lions in South Huron

Councillor Willard thanked Mr. MacLeod for doing the research and presenting to Council on behalf of his area.

- 12.14.11 B. Macrow - Windsor, Essex County - Lion Sanctuary
- 12.14.12 D. McLaughlin - Request for Exotic Animal Bylaw
- 12.14.13 C. Regier - Grand Bend, South Huron - Opposition to Exotic Animal Bylaw Exemption

- 12.14.14 R. Smith - Shipka, South Huron - Exotic Animal By-Law
- 12.14.15 J. Speake - Grand Bend, South Huron - Letter of Support
- 12.14.16 L. Stewart - South Huron - Lions in South Huron
- 12.14.17 P. Taylor - Parkhill, South Huron - June 15 Delegation
- 12.14.18 R. Taylor - Grand Bend, South Huron - June 15 Delegation
- 12.14.19 S. Taylor - Grand Bend, South Huron - June 15 Delegation
- 12.14.20 D. Van Amerongen - Exeter, South Huron - Municipality of South Huron meeting
- 12.14.21 O. Vincent - Crediton, South Huron - Municipality of South Huron council meeting - June 15 2020
- 12.14.22 R. & E Wardle - Shipka, South Huron - Forever Home Lion Cubs
- 12.14.23 S. & J. Wells - Grand Bend, Lambton Shores Request for Exotic Bylaw Exemption
- 12.14.24 F. Wondergem - Grand Bend, Lambton Shores - Proposed Exemption to Lion By Law
- 12.14.25 D. Wideman - Bluewater & Lambton Shores - By-law 29-2014
- 12.14.26 S. Stuart - Port Franks - Pride and Joy
- 12.14.27 A. Neill - Brights Grove - Brandon Vanderwel
- 12.14.28 D. Duncan - Delegation Report - July 10, 2020 letter
- 12.14.29 B. Morgan - Sarnia - Lion Restructure
- 12.15 Z. Zoubian - Letter of Interest - Centralia Community Hall  
Council discussed the letter of interest and no direction was provided to staff.
- 12.16 M. Cole - Affordable Housing
  - 12.16.1 M. Cole - City of London Allowing Temporary Homeless Encampments
- 12.17 J. Workman - Curb Side Collection - Leaf and Debris
- 12.18 Municipality of Chatham-Kent - Long Term Care

- 12.19 Municipality of Mississippi Mills - Resolution - Support for Rural Broadband
- 12.20 Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus - Access to Broadband
- 12.21 Grey County - Resolution - Access to Broadband
- 12.22 Town of Bracebridge - Resolution- Municipal Financial Assistance Program
- 12.23 Grey Highlands - Resolution - Universal Basic Income
- 12.24 Township of Lake of Bays - Resolution - High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario
- 12.25 Town of St. Marys - Resolution - Wearing of Face Masks in Public Settings
- 12.26 Township of Puslinch - Resolution - TAPMO Executi Meeting Minutes dated May 28, 2020
- 12.27 Town of Renfrew - Resolution - COVID-19 Pandemic Affect on Economic Development, Employment & Small Business in Ontario
- 12.28 City of Sarnia - Resolution - Long Term Care Home Improvements

**Motion:** 276-2020

**Moved:** J. Dietrich

**Seconded:** D. Faubert

**That South Huron Council receive communication items not otherwise dealt with.**

**Disposition: Carried (7-0)**

13. Closed Session

14. Report From Closed Session

15. By-Laws

- 15.1 By-Law No. 39-2020 - Appoint Tile Drainage Inspector - Shane Timmermans

**Motion:** 277-2020

**Moved:** T. Oke

**Seconded:** J. Dietrich

**That the South Huron Council gives first, second and third and final reading to By-Law #39-2020, being a by-law to appoint a Tile Drainage Inspector.**

**Disposition: Carried (7-0)**

16. Confirming By-Law

16.1 By-Law No. 40-2020 – Confirming By-Law

**Motion:** 278-2020

**Moved:** A. Neeb

**Seconded:** T. Oke

**That the South Huron Council gives first, second and third and final reading to By-Law #40-2020, being a by-law to confirm matters addressed at the July 13, 2020 Public and Regular Council meeting.**

**Disposition: Carried (7-0)**

17. Adjournment

**Motion:** 279-2020

**Moved:** J. Dietrich

**Seconded:** B. Willard

**That South Huron Council hereby adjourns at 8:37 p.m., to meet again on August 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. or at the Call of the Chair.**

**Disposition: Carried (7-0)**

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George Finch, Mayor

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Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Clerk