

Council Minutes

Monday, October 7, 2024 4:00 PM

Present	Trevor Bazinet, Mayor Leah Noel, Deputy Mayor Allison Segeren, Councillor John Thompson, Councillor Randy Carroll, Councillor Liz Petrie, Councillor Vanessa Kelly, Councillor
Staff Present	Janice Hallahan, Chief Administrative Officer Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations Andrea Rowntree, Administrative Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Dave Duncan, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer
Others Present	Madelyn Sinclair, Town of Goderich Co-op Student Barry Page Kate Krouskie Patrick Corvyn Denis LaLonde Haley Whitelaw Bob Montgomery Bayshore Broadcasting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Goderich Town Council meets in regular session on October 7, 2024.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Presented by Councillor Petrie

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

3.1 Councillor Carroll - Item 9.13 - Laurie Carroll, Royal Canadian Legion re: Poppy Campaign Councillor Carroll declares a pecuniary interest on this matter as he is the President of the Goderich Legion Branch 109.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Approval of Agenda

The Agenda has been amended to include item 11.2 Business Community Grant Process Review and item 7.23 Dave Duncan, Municipal Law Enforcement Manager re: Purchase of an Animal Control SUV recommendation to read 'This expenditure will be funded through the Contingency Fund'.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That Goderich Town Council hereby accepts the October 7, 2024, regular Council Agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

4.2 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By: Councillor Thompson Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council hereby adopts the September 9, 2024, regular Council Minutes, as printed.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC MEETING(S)

6. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Patrick Corvyn re: The Story of No Hate in Huron

Mayor Bazinet thanks Patrick Corvyn for his presentation and draft motion.

Following discussion;

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That the draft motion be referred to the October 21, 2024, Council meeting under Notice of Motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Bazinet recognizes co-op students Madelyn Sinclair, Taryn Steinman, and Cohen Harris for their placement at the Town of Goderich.

Mayor Bazinet is pleased to announce that GDCI students are to Tour the Georgian Marine Campus in Owen Sound on Friday November 29, 2024, and notes what a great opportunity it is for students to learn more about Marine Industry careers, and thanks Parrish and Heimbecker for sponsoring the bus transportation costs for this field trip to Georgian.

Mayor Bazinet recognizes Gary Renaud for his 50 years of service as a Huron County Paramedic and recognizes his hard work serving Huron County.

Mayor Bazinet comments on attending the Clean Energy Frontier Conference and congratulates Jessica Linthorne on hosting such a great conference.

The Town of Goderich has been fortunate to receive three cheques in the past month from the Province of Ontario, and notes that the Honourable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, (MPP Huron-Bruce) visited Goderich today to present two cheques to the to the Town for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Grant and Experience Ontario Grant and on September 18, 2024, she presented a cheque in the amount of \$3,202,843.75 for the Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund. He thanks staff for their work on applying for these grants.

6.3 Councillors' Remarks

Councillor Thompson thanks Colin Carmichael and the Huron Chamber of Commerce for hosting the BIA Summit this past Monday, October 1, 2024, and comments on how great the Summit was.

7. STAFF REPORTS

Moved By: Councillor Petrie Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That the Staff Reports be received for information and the noted action be approved.

CARRIED

7.1 Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk re: 2025 Canteen Operation Maitland Recreation Centre

Staff Recommendation: Concur and refer to By-Law 103 of 2024

7.2 Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk re: 2025 Council Meeting Dates

Staff Recommendation: Concur

Following discussion;

Moved By: Councillor Thompson Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Council does not approve the 2025 Council Meeting dates as presented;

And That Council continue with the current practice of scheduling the meetings on Mondays at 4:00 PM;

And That staff be directed to bring a report back to Council with the new meeting dates.

CARRIED

7.3 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: Waterfront Paid Parking Report - August 2024 Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.4 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: Menesetung Bridge Request

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

Following discussion;

Moved By: Councillor Thompson Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

That Council defer this item regarding the funding request from the Menesetung Bridge Association to the October 21, 2024, Council meeting;

And That staff investigate the scope of the work that is needed and can be completed before March 31, 2026, for a report back to Council on October 21, 2024;

And That staff review the funding application request that the Menesetung Bridge Association submitted and report back to Council regarding the budget they submitted.

CARRIED

7.5 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Agricultural Land Lease at the Airport

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.6 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Asbestos Removal - 35435 Huron Road

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.7 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Renovations to Maitland Valley Medical Centre

Staff Recommendation: Concur

Following discussion;

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Council defer the report regarding renovations to the Maitland Valley Medical Centre, to the October 21, 2024, Council meeting.

CARRIED

7.8 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Maitland Recreation Centre Façade

Staff Recommendation: Concur

In addition, following discussion;

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Council supports the brick failure remediation of the Maitland Recreation Centre to extend the lifespan of this important community sport and recreation facility. 7.9 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Response to Elizabeth Grant's Proposals

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.10 Jason Dykstra, Building Services Manager/Chief Building Official re: Heritage Permit Application No. 2024-008

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.11 Jason Dykstra, Building Services Manager/Chief Building Official re: Heritage Permit Application No. 2024-007

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.12 Jason Dykstra, Building Services Manager/Chief Building Official re: August 2024 Report

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.13 Kyle Williams, Community Services and Operations Manager re: Crack Sealing

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.14 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: 2024 Emergency Management Program

Staff Recommendation: Concur and refer to By-Law 101 of 2024

7.15 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: Community Emergency Preparedness Grant 2024

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.16 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: CSWB for Huron Housing and Homelessness Campaign

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.17 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: WaterWheels and Beach Access Chair 2024 Report

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.18 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: Accessibility Toolbar for Corporate Website

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.19 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: Corporate Fleet Safety Policy

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.20 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: Goderich Municipal Child Care Infant Playground

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.21 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: MRC Health and Safety Policies

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.22 Dave Duncan, Municipal Law Enforcement Manager re: August 2024 Report

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

7.23 Dave Duncan, Municipal Law Enforcement Manager re: Purchase of an Animal Control SUV

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.24 Lisa Hood, Tourism Events and Marketing Coordinator re: October 2024 Report

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7.25 Goderich Regional Airport re: August Month-End Report

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS REQUIRED

8.1 David Armstrong, Huron County Historical Society re: Goderich Bicentennial Letter and Minutes of July 24, 2024

Following discussion;

Moved By: Councillor Segeren Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That Council defer the letter from David Armstrong, Huron Historical Society re: Goderich Bicentennial to the October 21, 2024, Council meeting for further information.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

Moved By: Councillor Carroll Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That the correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

- 9.1 Maitland Source Protection Authority Minutes April 17, 2024
- 9.2 Mid-Huron Landfill Site Board Minutes August 13, 2024
- 9.3 Mid-Huron Recycling Centre Board Minutes August 13, 2024
- 9.4 Maitland Valley Conservation Authority Membership Minutes June 19, 2024
- 9.5 Bluewater Recycling Association Highlights September 9, 2024
- 9.6 Environment Committee Minutes September 10, 2024
- 9.7 Community Safety and Well-Being for Huron Oversight Committee Minutes - September 11, 2024
- 9.8 Community Safety and Well-Being for Huron Municipal Working Group Minutes - September 16, 2024
- 9.9 Notice of Hearing re: Chatham-Kent V. Canadian Pacific Railway

- 9.10 Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness re: Investing in International Agri-Food Workers
- 9.11 Linda MacDonald, MADD Huron-Bruce Chapter re: Lighting of the Angel Tree Invitation
- 9.12 Habitat for Humanity Huron County re: Ultimate House Party and Craft Coffee Tasting Invitation
- 9.13 Laurie Carroll, Royal Canadian Legion re: Poppy Campaign

Councillor Carroll declared a conflict on this item. (Councillor Carroll declares a pecuniary interest on this matter as he is the President of the Goderich Legion Branch 109.)

Following discussion;

Moved By: Councillor Segeren Seconded By: Councillor Thompson

That Council receive this correspondence for information

CARRIED

- 9.14 Melodie VanderWal-Heidinga re: Pro-Life's Annual Life Chain
- 9.15 City of Kitchener re: Resolution Renovictions
- 9.16 Town of Kirkland Lake re: Resolution Exotic Animals
- 9.17 Tay Valley Township re: Resolution Public Sector Salary Disclosure
- 9.18 Tay Valley Township re: Resolution Province Removes Wetlands Protection for Eastern Ontario
- 9.19 Marisa Parsons, International Wrongful Convictions Day Committee re: Wrongful Conviction Day

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION NOTED

Moved By: Councillor Carroll Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That the correspondence items be received for information and the noted action be approved.

CARRIED

10.1 B.M. Ross and Associates Limited re: Water Treatment Plant Loading Dock Tender Review

Staff Recommendation: Concur

10.2 B.M. Ross and Associates Limited re: Reconstruction of Cove Storm Sewer Outfall

Staff Recommendation: Concur

10.3 Hugh McGregor, Maitland Trail Association re: Maitland Cemetery Groves Trail Sign Request

Staff Recommendation: Concur

10.4 Sandra Goddard, Goderich Community Hats and Mats Group re: Request to place Hats & Mitts on Square

Staff Recommendation: Approve

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11.1 Menesetung Bridge Association - Request for Funding - Priority Concrete Repairs on the Menesetung Bridge - Refer to Item 7.4

12. BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That By-Laws 100, 101, 102, 103, and 104 of 2024 be taken collectively.

CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That By-Laws 100, 101, 102, 103, and 104 of 2024 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That By-Laws 100, 101, 102, 103, and 104 of 2024 be read a third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

12.1 By-Law 100 of 2024

Being a By-Law to temporarily stop-up traffic on Saturday, November 16, 2024, from 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM on West Street between Wellington Street and Courthouse Square, Courthouse Square from South Street to West Street, South Street between Courthouse Square and Elgin Avenue, Elgin Avenue between South and Wellington Streets, and Wellington Street between Elgin Avenue and West Street for the purpose of the Santa Clause Parade

12.2 By-Law 101 of 2024

Being a By-Law to repeal By-Law No. 107 of 2023 and to adopt an Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan for the Town of Goderich and to meet other requirements under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

12.3 By-Law 102 of 2024

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to a Services Agreement between ReciteMe and the Corporation of the Town of Goderich for the purpose of installing a digital accessibility toolbar and website accessibility checker

12.4 By-Law 103 of 2024

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to an Operating Agreement between Local Rolla and the Corporation of the Town of Goderich for the operation of the concession area at the Maitland Recreation Centre

12.5 By-Law 104 of 2024

Being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Licence Agreement with Bell Canada for a licence for maintaining and operating underground and overhead telephone cables at the Goderich Harbour

13. MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS

14. NEW AND GENERAL BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings:

- October 8, 2024, 11:00 AM Rebuilding Downtown Infrastructure Task Force
- October 8, 2024, 1:00 PM Goderich Regional Airport Task Force
- October 8, 2024, 5:30 AM BIA Board of Management
- October 17, 2024, 11:00 AM BIA Farmers Market Committee
- October 21, 2024, 4:00 PM Council Meeting
- October 28, 2024, 4:00 PM Citizen of the Year Recognition Event

15. POSSIBLE CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING MATTERS

In the event that Council enters into a possible Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, Council will reconvene following the Closed Session at which time the public and press may be present.

Moved By: Councillor Carroll Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Council rise at 4:58 PM and go into Closed Committee of the Whole Session pursuant to Section 239(2)(b);

And Further That Chief Administrative Officer Janice Hallahan, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Andrea Fisher, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Deanna Hastie, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure, and Operations Sean Thomas, and Administrative Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Andrea Rowntree remain for the entirety of the Closed Session.

CARRIED

15.1 Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk re: Closed Cemetery Investigation Summary Report

Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

15.2 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Hangar Lease Agreement

Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

15.3 Minutes of the Previous Closed Session

• September 9, 2024, Closed Session Minutes

16. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

CAO Hallahan reports out of Closed Session. For item 15.1 Cemetery Investigation Summary Report, there is nothing further to report. On item 15.2 Hangar Lease Agreement, staff were directed to proceed as indicated within Closed Session of Council. On item 15.3 September 9, 2024, Closed Session Minutes, a motion was made in Closed Session to accept the minutes.

17. PRESS REPORTERS AND CITIZENS QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD

18. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That leave be given to introduce By-Law No.105 of 2024 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Goderich Town Council meeting held on October 7, 2024, and that it now be read a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this October 7, 2024.

CARRIED

19. ADJOURN

Moved By: Councillor Carroll Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council does now adjourn at 5:13 PM to meet again at the regular meeting of Council scheduled for October 21, 2024.

CARRIED

MAYOR, Trevor Bazinet

CLERK, Andrea Fisher