



Bruce County Council Minutes

The regular meeting of Bruce County Council was held in the County of Bruce Council Chambers, Walkerton at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 1, 2018.

1. Roll Call

Present: Warden Paul Eagleson
Councillors Robert Buckle, Anne Eadie, David Inglis, Milt McIver, Mike Smith and Mitch Twolan

Staff: Kelley Coulter, Chief Administrative Officer
Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk
Bettyanne Cobean, Director of Corporate Services
Brian Knox, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services
Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services
Cathy McGirr, Museum Director
Melissa Legacy, Director of Library Services
Michael McKeage, Director of Health Services
Marianne Nero, Director of Human Resources
Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Economic Development
Donna Van Wyck, Clerk

Regrets: Councillor Janice Jackson

2. Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Minutes

**Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor David Inglis**

That the minutes of the February 1, 2018 Council Session be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. Communications

A. City of Kingston

Resolution urging the provincial government to dedicate a portion of the cannabis excise tax revenue from the federal government to local public health agencies in Ontario.

B. County of Simcoe

Providing a copy of the County of Simcoe's White paper entitled, "Building a Seniors Campus: A Sustainable Model to Support Positive Aging and Strengthen our Communities."

C. County of Simcoe

Providing a copy of the County of Simcoe's Senior's Strategy entitled, "Positive Aging Strategy: Older Adults Strengthening our Communities."

D. Grey Bruce Christian Farms Association

Encouraging the County of Bruce to ensure that they are using the current increase in property tax revenue resulting from the increased value of farm properties to the benefit of farmers and to support farming businesses through adding and maintaining valuable infrastructure, strong community services and innovative economic development that will build value for farmers and farm businesses in this area.

5. Delegations

A. Farm Assessments and Taxes

Mr. Ken Bridge, President of Bruce Federation of Agriculture accompanied by Mr. Ben Le Fort, Senior Policy Analyst, Ontario Federation of Agriculture made a presentation on the impacts on the property tax burden on farmland in Bruce County. They requested the County consider slowing the increase for 2018 by adjusting the property tax ratio below the current 25% of residential taxes to avoid a property tax shift onto farmland property owners.

B. Manufacturing & Construction Sector Partnership - Labour Market Strategy

Ms. Gemma Mendez-Smith, Four County Labour Market and Planning Board made a presentation on the Manufacturing & Construction Sector Partnership and the Labour Market Strategy.

C. Community Index of Well-Being

Ms. Tanya Shute, Manager, Allied Health Services - Quality & Risk Management South East Grey Community Health Centre made a presentation on the Community Index of Well-Being initiatives and the future initiative / survey for Bruce and Grey Counties.

6. Staff Reports

There were no County Staff reports.

7. Inquiries and Announcements

The CAO reported that as a follow-up to the flooding in the County, a public meeting is scheduled on Thursday, March 8, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Chesley Community Centre to discuss the Chesley Bridge.

8. Committee Minutes

**Moved by Councillor David Inglis
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie**

That the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

February 1, 2018

- **Executive Committee**
- **Corporate Services Committee**
- **Homes Committee**
- **Human Services Committee**
- **Museum Committee**
- **Paramedic Services**

February 15, 2018

- **Executive Committee**
- **Planning and Development Committee**
- **Transportation and Environmental Services Committee**

Carried

9. Notice of Motion

There were no Notice of motions.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Mitch Twolan

That the following by-laws be approved:

2018-013 - A by-law to adopt estimates, tax ratios and tax rates for the Year 2018

2018-014 - A by-law to authorize the execution of a Purchase of Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and Port Elgin Montessori Preschool Inc. to provide child care services

2018-015 - A by-law to govern the proceedings of the Council and Committees of the Corporation of the County of Bruce

2018-016 - A by-law to regulate and control the movement of "All-Terrain Vehicles" (ATV's) and "Multi-Purpose Off Highway Utility and Recreational Vehicles" (Off-Road Vehicles or UTV) on a portion of Bruce County Roads 8, 9 and 13

2018-017 - A by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement of Purchase and Sale for the purchase of lands described as 254 High Street, Southampton ON N0H 2L0; PT PUBLIC RESERVE BLOCK, N/S HIGH STREET OR LITTLE LAKE, SQUARE PL SOUTHAMPTON AS IN SH4320; SAUGEEN SHORES; PIN 33254-0017 (LT)

2018-018 - A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Bruce at its meeting held the 1st day of March, 2018

Carried

12. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Mitch Twolan
Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That the meeting of Bruce County Council adjourn at 10:25 a.m.

Carried

Paul Eagleson, Warden

Donna Van Wyck, Clerk