

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL HURON
Tuesday, March 16, 2010

PRESENT: **Council:** Reeve Dykstra, Deputy Reeve Bezaire*, Councillors: Barnim, Collyer, Ginn, Lobb, Anderson and Stanley
Staff: CAO Kevin McIlwain, Deputy Clerk Cindy Denomme, Road Manager Tom Sinclair, Facilities Manager Steve Campbell, Utilities Manager Steve Gibbings.
Others: CEO Richard Harding REACH

*arrived at 5:50 p.m.

REGRETS: Clerk Brenda MacIsaac, CBO Lesley Adams

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Reeve Dykstra called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST:** nil

MOTION:

87-2010 *Moved by Councillor Lobb, seconded by Councillor Barnim that this Special Council meeting be called to order for the following purposes:*

- i. *Budget deliberations*
- ii. *to discuss the RinC Grant;*
- iii. *to consider a matter "In Camera" in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2)(e), for the purpose of litigation or potential litigation, affecting the municipality or local board;*
- iv. *and any other matter as may be deemed necessary.*

Carried

3. **BUDGET**

- Richard Harding, CEO – REACH Budget
- CEO Harding reviewed the 2010 Operations Budget and Capital Budget changes that had made since Council last reviewed them.
- CEO Harding explained that the coveralls and stalls are a requirement now if REACH is to be able to host a show this year. Once these are in place there is potential for them to be rented out for possibly three shows a year for approximately \$20,000. REACH could build some this year and lease the rest.
- Councillor Lobb asked if REACH could borrow the required money itself. CEO Harding explained that REACH has no assets to borrow against at this time but eventually they could borrow on their own.
- Councillor Barnim asked if the old arena would be of any use to use to REACH and CEO Harding said that it is a distance away for housing and he did not believe there would be a benefit for REACH to have use of the old arena.

- CAO Kevin McIlwain reviewed Central Huron proposed budget.
- Councillor Lobb asked if the A/R had to be expensed yet and CAO McIlwain responded that that it was not in yet.
- The CAO explained that the put option is available to Council and could be used in January 2011.
- Fire Chief Cooke reported that there is no agreement with North Huron and as of April 7th mutual aid comes to an end.
- There was discussion on the options available.
- CAO McIlwain reviewed the reserve accounts and reported that Central Huron is very well positioned with the reserves.

MOTION:

88-2010 *Moved by Councillor Lobb, seconded by Councillor Stanley that the Ward 3 Reserve (int. payable on note) be transferred into the Library Reserve.*

Carried.

Councillor Anderson left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

- Steve Gibbings, Utilities Manager, distributed updated budget information and asked Council to contact him if they had any questions. He left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.
- Councillor Lobb asked if everything had been factored into the budget figures and Kevin said everything but the arena project are in the figures.
- Councillor Lobb questioned if this budget is a zero tax rate increase and Kevin replied that it was.

4. RINC

MOTION:

89-2010 *Moved by Deputy Reeve Bezaire, seconded by Councillor Collyer that the Council of the Municipality of Central Huron reconsider the application of the RinC grant.*

Carried

- CAO McLlwain read the motion that was passed on March 3rd.
- Councillor Ginn said the he was uncomfortable dealing with RinC issue with Councillor Anderson absent since she was against it.
- Deputy Reeve Bezaire commented that he could not support borrowing this amount of money nearing the end of his council term.
- Councillor Collyer asked if there was more time and Kevin told Council that he received notice today of approval to use the money for a new arena. They are adamant that the facility has to be completed by March 2011 and we need to know now. Kevin explained that he felt the revenue that would be picked up from solar panels on the roof would cover off any expenses.

MOTION:

90-2010 *Moved by Councillor Barnim, seconded by Councillor Lobb that a motion to proceed with tendering for a new arena/complex in conjunction with RinC grant providing the tender process can be stopped if price is not acceptable, Raceway is not in agreement or easement cannot be met.*

Carried.

Recorded vote as follows:

Yea – Barnim, Collyer, Ginn, Lobb, Stanley, Dykstra

Nay – Bezaire

5. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE “IN CAMERA”

MOTION

91-2010: *Moved by Councillor Ginn, seconded by Councillor Stanley, that Council adjourn to a Committee of the Whole “In Camera” in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2) (e) for the purpose of litigation or potential litigation, affecting the municipality or local board.*

*Carried
9:12 p.m.*

Councillor Barnim declared a conflict and left the council chamber.

MOTION:

92-2010 *Moved by Councillor Collyer, seconded by Councillor Barnim, that Council reconvene into open session.*

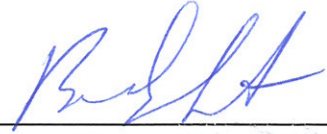
*Carried
9:25 p.m.*

5. ADJOURNMENT:

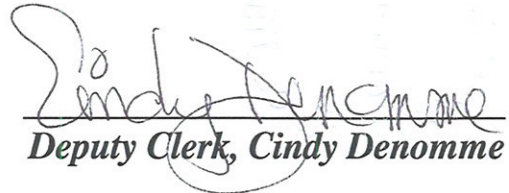
MOTION:

93-2010 *Moved by Councillor Ginn, seconded by Councillor Collyer that the meeting stand adjourned at 9:25 p.m.*

9:25 p.m.



Reeve, Bert Dykstra



Deputy Clerk, Cindy Denomme