

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL HURON
Monday, June 28, 2010

PRESENT: Council: Reeve Dykstra, Deputy Reeve Bezaire, Councillors: Barnim, Collyer, Ginn, Lobb, Anderson and Stanley
Staff: CAO Kevin McLlwain, Clerk Brenda MacIsaac, Deputy Clerk Cindy Denomme, Facilities Manager Steve Campbell,

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Reeve Dykstra called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION:
199-2010 *Moved by Councillor Collyer, seconded by Councillor Lobb, that this Special Council meeting be called to order for the following purposes:*

- i. To amend the North Huron Fire Agreement;*
- ii. To discuss proposed new arena;*
- iii. and any other matter as may be deemed necessary.*

Carried

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

3. **NORTH HURON FIRE AGREEMENT**

- Reeve Dykstra reviewed the changes to the agreement. There is dispute resolution included in the agreement. Councillor Stanley asked if the exit clause was 90 days and Reeve Dykstra confirmed that it was still in the agreement. Reeve Dykstra explained that there will be a breakdown of the costs and that these are estimates.

MOTION:
200-2010 *Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Lobb that Council accept the amendments to the North Huron Fire Agreement as presented.*

Carried

Deputy Reeve Bezaire requested a recorded vote as follows:

Yea: Anderson, Barnim, Collyer, Dykstra, Ginn, Lobb

Nay: Bezaire, Stanley

4. **ARENA DISCUSSION/PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

- CAO McLlwain reviewed the need for a new arena, the location and the costs. CAO McLlwain further reviewed options and possible cost reductions as well as how the new arena will be funded. Just under \$500,000. would need to be fundraised.
- CAO McLlwain reviewed the plans from Norlon builders.
- John Hart asked if this arena is the same as the Forrest arena why is the cost lower? CAO McLlwain explained the difference is in the timing of the project, and the difference in the price of materials.
- The size of the exercise room was asked about and CAO McLlwain replied that the room is 26 'x 60'.
- Dave Hanley asked if the plan included kitchen equipment and CAO McLlwain responded that it did not.
- Morag Watt asked about the R value in the building and CAO McLlwain responded that it would have R20.
- Alex Westerhout asked about the future of the current arena and CAO McLlwain replied that Council was not intending to maintain the building. Further discussions by Council will need to be held to determine the future of the building. The estimated completion date is March 31, 2011.
- Ross Jewitt questioned if there should be more dressing rooms to which Steve Campbell replied that six was more than enough.

- Steve Brown asked about the cost of landscaping and CAO McLlwain explained that the additional landscaping that would be required may be able to be shared with REACH and Raceway.
- Steve Prescator commented that the Kinsmen fully support the construction of a new arena.
- Steve Brown asked if the arena is not completed by a certain date would there be additional costs and CAO McLlwain responded that there would not be any additional costs and further explained that a requirement of the grant is that it be completed by March 31, 2011.
- Dean Reid asked about the lifespan of the new arena and CAO McLlwain responded with 30+ years. CAO McLlwain also explained that the arena will be fully accessible and there will be no increase in tax dollars for the project.
- Morag Watt asked how the R factor compares to other arenas. CAO McLlwain explained that it's difficult to compare with others. When compared to Forrest there were savings. Zurich and Lucknow have R15 and we were advised to not consider R40.
- Ron Jewitt asked about the possibility of a pool and CAO McLlwain replied that there is a possibility of a having a pool.
- Karen Hoggarth asked if the pasture surrounding the community centre will remain and COA McLlwain replied that it will.
- Darrin Stevenson asked about the company involved with the solar panels and CAO McLlwain said the company is LAS with AMO.

- Councillor Lobb said that she was hesitant at first but now understands the need for the new arena, however she does not want to see any add ons to the project.
- Councillor Collyer suggested that the CAO talk about the builder. CAO McLlwain said the Norlon Builders have built arenas in Stratford, Zurich, Lucknow, Amherstburg in total 40 arenas.
- Councillor Ginn asked about the financing and if it will be locked in for 25 years. CAO McLlwain replied that will be a decision to be made by Council.
- Councillor Stanley said that she supports the new arena.
- Councillor Anderson suggested that there should be more washrooms and CAO McLlwain responded that this arena has more washrooms than other arenas and current arena.
- Steve Brown asked about the scoreboards and if they had been included in the price and Steve Campbell replied that they are sponsored and paid for by Coca Cola and the new one will be as well.

MOTION:

201-2010 *Moved by Councillor Collyer, seconded by Councillor Lobb to proceed with the construction of a new arena/community complex and further that the contract be awarded to Norlon Builders London Limited at the \$5,457,670. price quoted.*

Carried

Deputy Reeve Bezaire requested a recorded vote as follows:

Yea: Anderson, Barnim, Collyer, Dykstra, Ginn, Lobb, Stanley

Nay: Bezaire

- Deputy Reeve Bezaire said that he didn't like the way this was done, it started out as renovation and now it's a new arena. He continued to say that he had not been shown that there is a need for an ice facility and he would have liked to have had a study done. He agrees that recreation is needed he just wasn't convinced that this is the type that this community needs. He continued to say that we are missing partnership possibilities because we are not taking time and moving too fast.
- Dawn Riley responded that there is a need for an arena given that there are 250 children registered for BCH hockey.
- Councillor Barnim said there is some concern with Bayfield arena since it is a small arena. Towns thrive on growth and this is what we need for your youth and development.
- Councillor Ginn commented that it is not wise to cut back on recreation and that this is a great opportunity.
- Reeve Dykstra said Council appreciates the support from the local groups and CAO McLlwain said the fundraising will need to be a community driven program.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

202-2010 *Moved by Councillor Ginn, seconded by Councillor Barnim, that this meeting stand adjourned at 8:22 p.m.*

Carried



Reeve, Bert Dykstra



Clerk, Brenda MacIsaac