



The Corporation of the County of Northumberland

Finance and Audit Committee

Minutes

**February 2, 2021, 1:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Conference**

Members Present: Chair William Cane
Warden Robert Crate
Councillor Brian Ostrander

1. Call to Order

Chair William Cane called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

1.a Territorial Land Acknowledgement

2. Approval of the Agenda

Resolution 2021-02-02-095

Moved by Councillor Brian Ostrander

Seconded by Chair William Cane

"**That** the agenda for the February 2, 2021 Finance and Audit Committee be approved."

Carried

3. Disclosures of Interest

- no declarations

4. Delegations

- no delegations

5. Business Arising from Last Meeting

- no discussion

6. Communications

6.a Municipality of Grey Highlands re: Municipal Insurance Costs

6.b Township of Larder Lake re: Municipal Insurance Costs

6.c Township of Huron-Kinloss re: Property Tax Exemptions for Veteran Clubs

[Warden Crate joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m.]

Resolution 2021-02-02-096

Moved by Councillor Brian Ostrander

Seconded by Warden Robert Crate

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee receives the Communications items 6.a - 6.c for information; and

Further That the Committee recommends that County Council support the resolutions put forward by the Councils of the Municipality of Grey Highlands and of the Township of Huron-Kinloss regarding municipal insurance costs; and

Further That the Committee recommends that County Council receive 6c for information."

Carried

7. Staff Reports

7.a Report 2021-28 'Development Charges Background Study Update'

Resolution 2021-02-02-097

Moved by Warden Robert Crate

Seconded by Councillor Brian Ostrander

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee receives Report 2021-28 'Development Charges Background Study Update' for information, noting that County Council adopted By-law 2020-36 effective October 1, 2020 imposing County-wide Development Charges, and that Development Charges Act under Bill 197, the COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020 eliminates the 10% discount previously applicable to Development Charges on some municipal services; and

Further That the Finance and Audit Committee recommends that County Council authorizes staff to commence processes to amend the current Development Charges Background Study and associated By-law to reflect applicable changes under the Development Charges Act.”

Carried

7.b Report 2021-29 'Procurement Activity Quarterly Report - Q4 2020'

Resolution 2021-02-02-098

Moved by Councillor Brian Ostrander

Seconded by Warden Robert Crate

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee receives Report 2021-29 'Procurement Activity Quarterly Report – Q4 2020' for information, nothing that the Procurement By-law 2018-26 under section 4.2.2 requires the Purchasing Manager to provide a quarterly report to Council that includes itemization of all purchases between \$100,000 and \$500,000; and

Further That the Finance and Audit Committee recommends that County Council authorizes savings, in the amount of \$128,334.64 identified from procurement activities be transferred to their respective reserves for financing future needs.”

Carried

8. Other Matters Considered by Committee

- N/A

9. Media Questions

10. Motion to Move into Closed Session

11. Rise and Report from Closed Session

N/A

12. Next Meeting - Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

13. Adjournment

Resolution 2021-02-02-099

Moved by Councillor Brian Ostrander

Seconded by Warden Robert Crate

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee adjourn at 1:21 p.m."

Carried