

**MINUTES**  
**INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT/**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**April 16, 2003**

A meeting was held at the County Building at 9:00 a.m. on the above date.

Present: Chair J. Foubister, Warden Todd Case. Members: Wm. Bilton, C. Jamieson, P. Davidson, K. Hart, J. Kowalyshyn, D. Kirkland and J. Dedecker. Also Mr. G. Millar, Manager, Public Works; Mr. D. Posliff, Manager, Planning and Development Services; Mr. K. Dick, General Manager, Social and Health Services and Mr. R. G. Van Horne, C.A.O./General Manager, Corporate Services.  
Absent: None.

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Delegation

Representatives from Canadian Waste Services were present to update the Committee regarding activities at Petrolia and Warwick.

Part B, Item 3 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #1: Dedecker/Davidson: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be  
(F) accepted as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 a) – Correspondence 3-16-03

- (A) #2: Jamieson/Bilton: That the County of Lambton support the City of London in its efforts to encourage the Municipalities of the Greater Toronto Area and the Province, to jointly develop a viable long term strategy for the management of solid waste both within the GTA and the Province. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 b) – Correspondence 3-17-03

- (A) #3: Dedecker/Hart: That the L.C.B.O. provide funding to the Waste Diversion Organization that reflects the true cost to Municipalities of collecting used L.C.B.O. bottles through the Blue Box program in lieu of a bottle return system. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 c) – Correspondence 5-4-03

- (A) #4: Davidson/Case: That staff be directed to review the warrants for intersection illumination at  
(B) the intersection of County Road #79 (Northville Road)/Ravenswood Line and the intersection of County Road #7 (Lakeshore Road)/Highway 21 and refer it to the 2004 Budget if warranted. Carried.

Part C, Items 1 d) and e) – Correspondence 5-6-03 and 5-10-03

- (A) #5: Dedecker/Bilton: That the County support Municipal initiatives that encourage senior governments to take a lead role in the control and remediation of the Emerald Ash Borer infestation in Ontario. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 f) – Correspondence 5-11-03

- (A) #6: Bilton/Hart: That the County support efforts to have the Ministry of Environment initiatives to phase-out the land application of untreated septage delayed until adequate consultation with Municipalities is held to determine the costs of sewage treatment plant upgrades required and whether the Provincial Government will provide adequate funding of the necessary upgrades. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Road Widenings and Dedications – 1218 Michigan Avenue, Sarnia, Fairwinds Lodge

- (A) #7: Dedecker/Davidson: That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to dedicate and register the following Transfer/Deed and that the appropriate By-Law be presented to County Council for its consideration:
- a) Part Lot 54, Front Concession, Geographic Township of Sarnia, City of Sarnia, County of Lambton (Instrument Number 391919).

Carried.

Part C, Item 3 – Petrolia Landfill: Public Meeting December 10, 2002

- (A) #8: Hart/Kirkland: That the County decline representation on the Petrolia Landfill Citizen Liaison Committee (CLC); and further,

That the County offer to attend on an as-needed basis on issues where it may assist the CLC.

Carried.

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING SERVICES**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #9: Jamieson/Kirkland: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be  
(F) accepted as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 a) – Correspondence 3-13-03

- (A) #10: Bilton/Davidson: That the County support initiatives to maintain the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program;

That the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (M.P.A.C.) be encouraged to provide and maintain a property assessment for managed forests that is similar to that of farmland; and further,

That a copy of this motion be forwarded to the local Ontario Federation of Agriculture (O.F.A.) representative and the Ontario Woodlot Owners Association. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 b) – Correspondence 5-2-03

#11: Case/Hart: That correspondence 5-2-03 be received and filed. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 c) – Correspondence 5-7-03

- (A) #12: Davidson/Jamieson: That staff respond to the request from the Ministry of Transportation for comment on the Highway #21 Corridor Assessment Study. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Emergency Management Reform – Bill 148, *Emergency Readiness Act, 2002*

- (A) #13: Jamieson/Case: That the County of Lambton begin working towards compliance with the requirements of the new emergency management legislation expected to be promulgated on April 15, 2003;

That, in order to achieve the requirements of the new legislation, County staffing resources and responsibilities be reviewed and re-allocated if necessary (with a further report to Committee/Council);

That the County of Lambton determine whether it will offer emergency management services to its member Municipalities and, if so, survey local Municipalities to determine the level of interest;

That County staff examine ways to recover its costs in providing emergency management services to member Municipalities; and further,

That an interim County Emergency Plan (to be called a Community Emergency Response Plan to agree with the new Act) be adopted to replace the existing Plan until a new Plan has been prepared in conformity with the requirements of the new Act and Regulations. Carried.

This portion of the meeting adjourned.

Time: 10:35 a.m.

**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION**

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #14: Jamieson/Kowalyshyn: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B  
(F) be accepted as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 a) – Correspondence 3-15-03

- #15: Case/Kowalyshyn: That correspondence 3-15-03 be noted and filed. Carried.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #16: Hart/Case: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted  
(F) as presented. Carried.

Part C, Items 1 a) and b) – Correspondence 3-11-03 and 5-5-03

- (A) #17: Dedecker/Kowalyshyn: That correspondence items 3-11-03 and 5-5-03 be accepted as  
presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 c) – Correspondence 5-1-03

- \* #18: Davidson/Jamieson: That correspondence 5-1-03 be received and filed. Carried.  
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\* Deferred to the next regular meeting of Council, so that the Councillors have an opportunity to review the correspondence in detail – see Council May 7, 2003, mot. #9.

\*\* That motion #18 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated April 16, 2003 be accepted as presented – see Council June 4, 2003, mot. #12.

Part C, Item 2 – Lambton Heart Health – Phase II

- (A) #19: Case/Bilton: That we endorse the proposed project plan as presented, for Phase II, Year 1 of the Lambton Heart Health initiative, for the period April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 11:30 a.m.

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Jim Foubister

Chair

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Ronald G. Van Horne

Secretary

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION**  
**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

April 16, 2003

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Delegations**

Kevin Bechard, Divisional Vice President, Facility Development, Canadian Waste Services re: update on CWS activities at Petrolia and Warwick.

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s)**

1.      **Multi-Sector Committee to Address Hazardous Waste Issues**

The above committee met on February 28, 2003. The meeting was chaired by Warden Case and was well attended. Gunther Funk of Gartner Lee Ltd., a consultant for Clean Harbors, gave an overview of the environmental integrity of Clean Harbors facility. Closed and active landfill sites in Lambton County were also discussed. Anyone wishing to present to the committee is welcomed to do so but must notify the Secretary ten days prior to the meeting in order for it to be placed on the agenda.

The committee also met March 21, 2003. The meeting was chaired by the Warden and was again well attended with representation from the Ministry of Environment, Environment Canada, St. Clair Township, Clean Harbors, M.P.P.s, M.P., area ratepayers and the Energy and Paperworkers Union.

Three presentations were given:

1.      Scott Munro, Manager, Sarnia Lambton Environmental Association, spoke on their role representing local industry in environmental matters.
2.      Jane Sadler-Richards explained results from recent biomonitoring fieldwork undertaken at the Clean Harbors facility.
3.      Paul Dewaele P.Eng. of Dixon Hydrogeology Ltd. spoke of the peer review on sub-cell 3 issues that his company completed between January 2000 and October 2001 on behalf of the Township of St. Clair.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2003 at 1:00 p.m.

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s) (continued)**

2.      Motion #10 February 5, 2003 (Committee of the Whole) Re: Ministry of Transportation Construction Schedule – Highway 402 Corridor

*Kirkland/Bradley: That staff request a construction schedule from the Ministry of Transportation regarding the work planned for the 402 Highway corridor in 2003.*

Letter dated February 25, 2003 was received from Peter Jackson, Regional Director, Southwestern Division of the Ministry of Transportation regarding the work schedule for construction on Highway 402. They are currently preparing a design package for the section of Highway 402 from approximately 2.0 km east of County Road #30 easterly to just west of the Highway 21 interchange. The design component is scheduled for completion in May of this year. The Ministry will not make a commitment on construction timing but it is hoped that the earliest the work will begin is late summer, subject to the availability of funding.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities**

1.      Accounts

Totals for the months of February and March:

Roads	\$ 907,634.56
Waste Management	\$ 209,279.92
County Building	\$ 40,890.54

A listing of accounts will be available at the meeting.

2.      Accounts Verification

i) Are there any items significantly over Budget?	No
ii) Are there any items significantly under Budget?	No
iii) Are there any items that were not in the Budget?	No
iv) Were all items purchased in accordance with County Policy?	Yes

3.      General Manager's Report

**Recommendation**

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item #3-16-03 dated March 4, 2003 from The Corporation of the City of London regarding the export of solid waste from the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). The City of London is taking the position that it will not accept solid waste from GTA in its municipal landfill site nor will it support a certificate of approval that would allow the transportation of solid waste through London. The city also encourages the GTA municipalities to develop a long term strategy for the disposal of its solid waste within the GTA in concert with the Province (Ministry of the Environment).

Recommendation

That the County of Lambton support the City of London in its efforts to encourage the municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area and the Province to jointly develop a viable long term strategy for the management of solid waste both within the GTA and the Province.

- b) Item #3-17-03, dated March 5, 2003 from the LCBO in regards to our recent support for the LCBO to set up a bottle return program similar to the program at the Beer Store. Mr. Andrew Brandt, Chair and CEO of the LCBO writes that the desire is to divert waste from the landfill but a bottle return system is not the answer. Used LCBO bottles would not be refilled with wine or spirits. There is a lack of ready markets for recycled glass. He contends that whether the collection is done via the Blue Box, at LCBO stores or through some other method, that the glass would still end up at a recycling facility waiting for a market. He believes there are potential uses for recycled glass and we can increase the value of the glass we recycle. Over the next two years some 5 million dollars will be made available through Waste Diversion Ontario for an aggressive glass market development program in the hope of creating a stable market. He is asking that we encourage this plan in our community.

Discussion: While the LCBO's intentions are good, they miss the point. I agree that a bottle return system is impractical for the variety of bottle shapes, colours and sizes available through LCBO. The fact is that the funding provided to the WDO in lieu of a bottle return system does not cover the costs of municipalities collecting their empty bottles through the Blue Box program. It has been estimated that the cost to municipalities is in the order of \$8M annually while LCBO's commitment was \$4M in 2001.

**PART C      Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

Recommendation

That the LCBO provide funding to the Waste Diversion Organization that reflects the true cost to municipalities of collecting used LCBO bottles through the Blue Box program in lieu of a bottle return system.

- c) Item #5-4-03 dated February 6, 2003 from the Municipality of Lambton Shores regarding a request for intersection lighting at two locations. They have received correspondence from one of their residents requesting the installation of lighting at the intersection of County Road 79 (Northville Road) and Ravenswood Line as well as the intersection of County Road 7 (Lakeshore Road) and Highway 21.

Discussion: The intersection of C.R. #7 & Highway #21 was reviewed in the last couple of years and referred to the MTO. It was their opinion that overhead illumination was not necessary. The C.R. #79/Ravenswood Line intersection will be reviewed and referred to the 2004 budget if warranted.

Recommendation

That staff be directed to review the warrants for intersection illumination at the intersection of C.R. #79 (Northville Road)/Ravenswood Line and the intersection of C.R. #7 (Lakeshore Road)/Highway 21 and refer it to the 2004 budget if warranted.

- d) Item #5-6-03 dated March 27, 2003 from the Legal Services Department of the City of Brampton with respect to the Emerald Ash Borer. The EAB has infested trees in Amherstburg, Essex, Tecumseh and LaSalle and those communities are under quarantine (no ash wood or debris to leave the area) by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). There is no known control or natural resistance to this pest in Canada or United States. The CFIA is proposing to create a five to six kilometer 'fire break' from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie in an attempt to isolate and destroy the insect. The potential cost to municipalities to remove or replace ash trees infested by this pest across Ontario would be in the millions. The City of Brampton is urging Health Canada, Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Natural Resources Canada, Environment Canada, Public Works and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment to take a lead role in the development of a comprehensive strategy to control and remediate the effects of this pest and provide the necessary funds to do this. They are asking for County Council's support.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

- e) Item #5-10-03 dated April 2, 2003 from the Town of LaSalle regarding the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). The Town of LaSalle is requesting immediate involvement of the Provincial and Federal Governments to dedicate resources to assure that the public is being properly educated, and initiatives by the Provincial and Federal governments to ensure that a 'fire wall' is established at the boundary between the infected municipalities and the rest of the Province of Ontario, to contain the blights of the EAB, and to ensure that it does not spread beyond the boundaries currently identified.

Recommendation

That the County support municipal initiatives that encourage senior governments to take a lead role in the control and remediation of the Emerald Ash Borer infestation in Ontario.

- f) Item #5-11-03 dated March 18, 2003 from Haldimand County in regards to Municipal Septage Strategy. Haldimand County is requesting the Ministry of Environment reconsider the proposed five year phase-out of land application of untreated septage by further investigating, through consultation with septage haulers, the current policy regarding the use of sewage lagoons and land application of untreated septage. The phase-out would significantly impact current municipal waste water disposal capabilities necessitating upgrades to maintain adequate capacity for present demands as well as providing additional capacity to treat municipal septage. Funding from the Province to implement these upgrades would be imperative for compliance. Haldimand is asking Council's consideration and support. The issue of municipal septage on existing sewage treatment plants has been raised by Lambton in responses to the Phase II Nutrient Management Act consultations.

Recommendation

That the County support efforts to have the Ministry of Environment initiatives to phase-out the land application of untreated septage delayed until adequate consultation with municipalities is held to determine the costs of sewage treatment plant upgrades required and whether the Provincial government will provide adequate funding of the necessary upgrades.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

2.      Road Widening and Dedications

As per conditions of approval for consents granted:

Road widening at 1218 Michigan Avenue, Sarnia – Fairwinds Lodge.

Recommendation

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to dedicate and register the following Transfer/Deed and that the appropriate Bylaw be presented to County Council for its consideration:

Part Lot 54, Front Concession, Geographic Township of Sarnia, City of Sarnia, County of Lambton (Instrument Number 391919).

3.      Petrolia Landfill: Public Meeting December 10, 2002

Attached is a copy of the Petrolia Landfill Public Consultation Program Report prepared by CWS. Section 3 (page 2) deals with the public meeting held on December 10, 2002 at the Wyoming Fair Grounds. While there were some questions related to the access routes the majority of questions focused on the operation of the site, public representation on the Citizen's Liaison Committee, and driver safety. The access routes to the landfill have been in use, as approved by County Council, for 6 months with little problem. I propose no change to County Council's direction that inbound trucks utilize C.R. #21 (Oil Heritage Road) and outbound trucks utilize C.R. #4 (Petrolia Line) & C.R. #8 (Forest Road).

On a related matter, the County has been invited to sit on the Citizen's Liaison Committee for the Petrolia Landfill. We have received similar requests in the past and have declined. We have offered to attend meetings on an as-needed basis should there be issues that the County could assist in. I propose that committee do the same in this instance.

Recommendation

That the County decline representation on the Petrolia Landfill Citizen's Liaison Committee (CLC); and further,

That the County offer to attend on an as-needed basis on issues where it may assist the CLC.

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION**  
**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

April 16, 2003

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT and BUILDING SERVICES**

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s)**

1.      a)      Motion #13, January 15, 2003:

*Bilton/Davidson: That the Woodlot Inspector gather information in order to prepare a Woodlots Conservation By-Law in keeping with the new Municipal Act and that a report be presented to the Committee as soon as possible.*

The County Solicitor is reviewing a template of the new Municipal Woodlands Conservation By-law to be passed pursuant to Section 135(2) of the Municipal Act 2001. We would anticipate a recommendation to Committee next month.

- b)      Motion #19, January 15, 2003:

*Davidson/Case: That the staff report as amended (on Stage 2 Draft Regulations under the Nutrient Management Act), be submitted to the Minister of Agriculture and Food and the Minister of Environment for consideration during the consultation stage, and that the report be circulated to all local Municipalities for their information.*

The Stage 2 Draft Regulations under the Nutrient Management Act has been sent to Helen Johns, Minister of Agriculture and to Chris Stockwell, Minister of the Environment.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities**

1.      Accounts

Totals for the month of February and March:

Planning & Development	\$ 7,126.71
Emergency Services	\$ 478.15
Building Services	\$ 19,814.92

A listing of the accounts will be available at the meeting.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities** (continued)

2.      Accounts Verification

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| i)   | Are there any items significantly over Budget?             | No  |
| ii)  | Are there any items significantly under Budget?            | No  |
| iii) | Are there any items that were not in the Budget?           | No  |
| iv)  | Were all items purchased in accordance with County Policy? | Yes |

3.      Items of Committee Interest:

a)      Work in Progress

Enniskillen Official Plan

Work continues on the plan. The mapping is proceeding and meetings are being set up with Council to continue reviewing the draft plan.

Lambton Shores Comprehensive Zoning By-law

Lambton Shores approved their new zoning by-law February 3, 2003. Two appeals have been received. One of these appeals should be resolved quickly without a hearing.

St. Clair Comprehensive Zoning By-law

The formal public meeting was held on March 17, 2003. Several people attended. Most concerns were addressed. Council will meet again on April 7, 2003, to address an outstanding issue from that public meeting.

Village of Point Edward Official Plan and Zoning By-law

Monthly planning meetings are continuing with Point Edward Council to work on a new official plan and zoning by-law. Council has pointed out areas of concern which we will be working on.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Town of Plympton-Wyoming Comprehensive Zoning By-law

The by-law is basically complete. General Provisions have been approved (with one or two exceptions). Staff are presently working on Permitted Uses while Zone Regulations have been approved. Council has agreed in principal to a set of Lakeshore Policies.

b) Ontario Municipal Board Hearing

D. Posliff will be attending an Ontario Municipal Board hearing on May 5, 2003, at the Town of Plympton-Wyoming office. Several neighbours have appealed a decision of the Land Division Committee approving a Plan of Subdivision for Huron District Investments.

c) Amendment # 5 to the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Official Plan

The Official Plan was adopted by the Town of Plympton-Wyoming on December 11, 2002 (By-law 120 of 2002). The Official Plan was subsequently approved by the County of Lambton on January 24, 2003.

Amendment #5 is a site specific amendment to the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Official Plan for the purpose of changing the designation on a portion of the lands described as Part Lot 50 and Part Lot 51, Front Concession, RP 25R5856 in the former Township of Plympton from the "Restricted Agriculture Area" designation to the "Lakeshore Residential Area" designation. The change will permit the eventual subdivision and development of the land for residential purposes.

A Zoning By-law amendment to change the zoning on the property from "Hazard 1 (H.1) Zone" and "Rural 2.1 (RU2.1) Zone to "Environmental Protection – Hazard" and "Residential" to match the Official Plan boundaries in the new zoning by-law will be implemented if this Official Plan Amendment is approved.

d) Amendment # 4 to The Township of St. Clair Official Plan

Amendment #4 was passed by the Township of St. Clair on November 18, 2002 (By-law 73 of 2002). The County of Lambton subsequently approved Amendment #4 on December 12, 2002.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The purpose of the amendment is to change the Official Plan land use designation of the subject lands from “Agriculture” to “Residential Constraint” and “Hazard & Environmental Protection”. The amendment concerns approximately 7 hectares (17.3 acres) of land, described as Part Lot “D”, Concession 5, (Geographic) Township of Sombra, Township of St. Clair.

The lands affected by the amendment are presently designated “Agriculture” which reflects the property’s prior status as unserviced lands (being part of a rural township). Due to its proximity to the St. Clair River and Chenal Ecarte waterfront, the lands in the area have been developing into a resort residential community. The Official Plan currently designates the abutting lands, except for lands northeast of the St. Clair Parkway, for residential or resort commercial purposes. Development pressures along the waterfront areas are increasing and the owner of the subject property is requesting a residential zone to assist in the implementation of a proposed residential subdivision.

There is a concurrent zoning by-law amendment which would rezone the site-specific lands from the “Future Residential 1 (RF.1) Zone”, “Village Residential-Holding (RV-9-h, RV-10-h) Zones” and “Hazard Lands (HL.1) Zones” to “Residential and “Environmental Protection-Hazard Zones.

e)      Amendment #2 to The Municipality of Lambton Shores Official Plan

Amendment #2 was passed by The Municipality of Lambton Shores on March 3, 2003 (By-law 9 of 2003). The County of Lambton subsequently approved Amendment #2 on March 19, 2003.

The purpose of the amendment is to change the land use designations of the lands shown on Schedule “A” from “Agricultural” to “Resource Extraction”. The amendment addresses 14.85 hectares (36.7 acres) of land located on Part of Lot 2, South Boundary Concession in the former Town of Bosanquet.

The lands affected by the amendment are presently designated “Agricultural”. The current land use designation reflects the presence of agriculture in that area of the municipality. The owner is requesting the designation be changed to permit the extraction of sand and gravel from the property.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

A zoning by-law amendment has recently been passed changing the zoning on the property from “Rural Restricted (A3) Zone” to “Industrial Extractive (M2) Zone”.

f)      Amendment #7 to the City of Sarnia Official Plan

Amendment #7 was adopted by the City of Sarnia on March 17, 2003 (By-law 30 of 2003). The County of Lambton subsequently approved Amendment #7 on April 2, 2003.

The purpose of Amendment #7 is to revise Schedule “A” to the Official Plan of the City of Sarnia to redesignate lands located at the south-east corner of Durand Street and Christina Street North. The lands have frontage on Christina Street North of 38 metres (approximately), frontage on Durand Street of 82 metres (approximately) and an area of 3100m<sup>2</sup>. The lands would be changed from “Urban Residential” to “General Commercial” to allow for commercial uses to be developed on the lands.

A concurrent amendment to By-law 85 of 2002 as it affects lands located at the south-east corner of Durand Street and Christina St. N., to change the zoning from “Urban Residential 2 (UR2) Zone” to a new site specific “General Commercial 2-30(GC2-30) Zone” has also been approved by Council.

g)      Letter from Lambton Shores Regarding their Comprehensive Zoning By-law

A letter of congratulations and thanks has been received from Lambton Shores regarding the successful completion and consolidation of the 8 zoning by-laws into one comprehensive by-law.

h)      Dillon Consulting Regarding the Temporary Closure of Uttoxeter Road

On behalf of MTO, Dillon Consulting Limited is currently undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) and Detailed Design study for the reconstruction of 8.9 km of Highway 402. The proposed reconstruction consists of full pavement reconstruction, drainage improvements, rehabilitation of the Highway 21 and Uttoxeter Road overpass structures, rumble strips, full paved shoulders, partial illumination of interchanges and upgrading of signage.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The Uttoxeter Road overpass is too narrow to allow for partial closure during rehabilitation necessitating closure for approximately 6 weeks during construction.

The January 2003 Project Initiation Notice stated that the reconstruction is classified as a Group C project (minor improvement) under MTO's Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000). Since the project now includes a detour, it has been reclassified to a Group B project under the Class EA. A Group B project requires the preparation of a Transportation Environmental Study Report and provides an opportunity for the public and review agencies to request the Minister of the Environment to bump-up (i.e., make a Part II Order) this project. A Part II Order may lead to preparation of an individual Environmental Assessment.

i)      Contract Planner

It is with mixed feelings that we announce the resignation of Shawn Small. Shawn was hired as a replacement for a maternity leave. He has accepted a full time position with the Ontario Municipal Board in Toronto. Dave Posliff is looking at options to hire a planner to bridge the balance of Maria Cossa-Rossi's maternity leave.

j)      Statistics

Planning Statistics  
Building Services Statistics

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item # 3-13-03 dated February 17, 2003 regarding an e-mail received from Leonard Munt, Forester, Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. Mr. Munt has enclosed a copy of a letter he sent to Janet Ecker, Minister of Finance, expressing his support for the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program (MFTIP).

Mr. Munt believes that the MFTIP program is of great value to tree by-laws in Ontario and the fair taxation of forest cover is necessary to ensure the conservation and wise use of the forest resource on private land. He also believes that MPAC should treat forest cover the same as agricultural land as it applies to tax assessments.

Recommendation

That the County support initiatives to maintain the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program; and further,

That the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) be encouraged to provide and maintain a property assessment for managed forests that is similar to that of farmland; and further,

That a copy of this motion be forwarded to the local OFA representative and the Ontario Woodlot Owners Association.

- b)      Item 5-02-03 dated March 21, 2003 from the Municipality of Brockton for Council's consideration and support. The municipality is concerned that the growth of Intensive Livestock Facilities is contributing to the decline of small-town and rural Ontario. There is concern of the potential financial impact on small and medium sized farms flowing from the current draft regulations of the Nutrient Management Act. Extreme growth of Intensive Livestock Operations and the large potential impact on the environment, drinking water quality and rural neighborhoods are their concern. Brockton is calling on the Government of Ontario to enact a moratorium on the construction of all Intensive Livestock Operations in the Province and to give municipalities local control over regulating the size and locations of Intensive Livestock Facilities.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion** (continued)

They also request the Province enact legislation that requires official zoning buffer zones around any proposed Intensive Livestock Operations and that they be located in Industrial/Commercial Zoning categories.

Discussion: Given that the County Planning Department continues to comment on the Nutrient Management Act as each phase is released and is generally supportive of Provincially-based legislation, I would suggest that the correspondence from Brockton be received and filed.

**Recommendation**

That correspondence item 5-2-03 be received and filed.

- c) Item #5-7-03 dated March 31, 2003 from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding the MTO's Highway 21 Corridor Assessment Study - from Highway 402 to the East Junction of Highway 6 in Owen Sound. The Ministry of Transportation contacted the Town of Plympton-Wyoming requesting their comments or concerns on this project and any community concerns. The Town of Plympton-Wyoming has copied us with their response. The concerns can be summarized as:
1. Difficulty of trucks maneuvering at the intersection of King/Main Streets in Forest where Highway 21 has a 90° turn resulting in the use of C.R. #7 (Lakeshore Road) as the main access route to connect to Highway 402 at County Road 30 (Oil Heritage Road) neither of which is designed to carry the volume typically found on Provincial Highways.
  2. The current design of the eastbound and westbound off-ramps for Highway 402 at the Highway 402/County Road 30 (Oil Heritage Road) interchange (#25) does not have sufficient sight distance over the overpass structure for large trucks to safely turn onto Oil Heritage Road after stopping.
  3. There have been numerous complaints over the past 2 years of the heavy truck traffic volumes on C.R. #7 (Lakeshore Road) in Plympton-Wyoming.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

The Council of Plympton-Wyoming would support the Ministry's consideration of the construction of an alternate Provincial Route to bypass the Forest intersection to facilitate more effectively the flow of traffic on Provincial Highway 21 resulting in a more direct access to Highway 402, thus reducing the traffic volume on Lakeshore Road in Plympton-Wyoming.

Similar concerns have been expressed by the County Committee over the last two years. I would propose that staff send a letter to the MTO echoing the Town's concerns but adding the following concerns/comments:

1. Staff are concerned regarding the volumes of truck traffic that utilize C.R. #26 (Mandaumin Road) as well as C.R. #7 (Lakeshore Road) to avoid the King/Main intersection in Forest.
2. Improvements to the geometry of the King/Main intersection would negate the need for a by-pass route around Forest (and its perceived impact on businesses).
3. The state of the highway is very poor.

Recommendation

That staff respond to the request from the Ministry of Transportation for comment on the Highway #21 Corridor Assessment Study.

2. Emergency Management Reform-Bill 148, *Emergency Readiness Act, 2002*

Please see attached staff report on Emergency Management Reform and compliance with the above Act.

Recommendations

That the County of Lambton begin working towards compliance with the requirements of the new emergency management legislation expected to be promulgated on April 15, 2003; and further,

That, in order to achieve the requirements of the new legislation, County staffing resources and responsibilities be reviewed and re-allocated if necessary (with a further report to Committee/Council); and further,

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion** (continued)

That the County of Lambton determine whether it will offer emergency management services to its member municipalities and, if so, survey local municipalities to determine the level of interest; and further,

That County staff examine ways to recover its costs in providing emergency management services to member municipalities; and further,

That an interim County Emergency Plan (to be called a Community Emergency Response Plan to agree with new Act) be adopted to replace the existing Plan until a new Plan has been prepared in conformity with the requirements of the new Act and Regulations.



**PART B**     **Monthly Activities (continued)**

## Total Exits (Children) in March

Age Group	Age	# of Children March 2002	# of Children March 2003
Infant	0 – 17 months	4	4
Toddler	18 – 31 months	15	12
Preschool	32 months – 5 yr.	16	28
Kindergarten	5 – 6 years	5	10
School Age	6 – 9 years	12	14
Other	Over 9 years	6	12
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>58</b>	<b>80</b>

b) Social Services Department – Statistical Report

The attached statistical report is for the month of February 2003. The increase of 16 cases represents an increase of 1.01% over the previous month. Year-to-date, the caseload has increased by 4.56% with the average caseload at 106.9 cases per caseworker.

Month	Budget Estimate	Actual
December, 2001		1,770
December, 2002	1,651	1,534
January, 2003	1,488	1,588
February, 2003	1,488	1,604
March, 2003	1,488	
April, 2003	1,488	
May, 2003	1,488	
June, 2003	1,488	

(N/A = not available)

c) Social Services Department – Annual Compliance Audit

The department received the results of the 2002 Ontario Works Annual Compliance Audit on February 5, 2003. The focus of the audit was financial and employment assistance information, with particular emphasis on the initial application, eligibility determination, and on assessing whether information had been accurately recorded in the Service Delivery Model Technology.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The results of the Ministry audit were positive. There were no significant issues identified for remedial action. Minor recommendations were made regarding verification requirements, data entry and monitoring of employment activities. The recommendations have or will be incorporated into existing business practices as appropriate.

The Department received a favourable report to the extent that it was commented on by the Ministry's OW Director, Clodhna McMullin.

d)      Social Services Department - Retirement of Legacy Systems

Caseworker Technology (CWT) and Ontario Works Technology (OWT) are scheduled for retirement commencing February 21, 2003. The provincial rollout is scheduled over four weeks and is tentatively scheduled for Lambton County during the week of March 17 – 21, 2003.

The retirement of these legacy systems involves the rolling out of archived CWT and OWT historical information in a browser format. This newly formatted information will be placed on the local server for network access using existing SDMT workstations. CWT and OWT will be removed simultaneously with the rollout in order to create the required capacity on the server.

A concurrent activity will be the removal of the Consolidated Verification Process icons (MATT, NORA and I-MATT) as these programs were retired effective December 31, 2002.

Local system support staff will primarily be responsible for the implementation. Ontario Works Staff will be provided with information on accessing archived CIMS reports and historical CWT/OWT data through SDMT.

e)      Service Delivery Model Technology (SDMT)

It has been one year since the full implementation of the Service Delivery Model Technology in January 2002. There continues to be a significant learning curve associated with understanding the complex system logic associated with such a comprehensive eligibility based program.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The system itself continues to evolve as changes and enhancements are introduced. During the period June to October 2002 alone, there were 300 System Investigative Reports (SIRs) or 'fixes' implemented that corrected SDM functionality.

The Social Assistance and Municipal Operations Branch (SAMO) has advised that there will be a number of production releases through 2003 that will address many of the priority issues identified by CMSMs in 2002, and introduce changes that will help improve the quality and performance of the system.

In addition, SAMO is planning to release several SDMT training initiatives throughout 2003. These initiatives will focus on the system logic as well as SDM program management and operational reports.

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- (a)    #3-15-03      Correspondence from the Regional Municipality of Waterloo requesting the Province of Ontario to allocate costs for the Intake Screening Units on the basis of actual usage.

Recommendation

That correspondence item 1(a) be noted and filed.

**SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION**  
**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

April 16, 2003

**COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s)**

1.      West Nile Virus

The Acting Medical Officer of Health and Manager of Environmental Health & Prevention Services attended a West Nile Virus Technical Conference in Toronto. Public education regarding personal protection and source reduction were still thought to be the best methods of control. The Canadian Co-operative Wildlife Health Centre in Guelph is accepting birds for testing on a tiered basis and will begin one month earlier than previous years. As tier 1, we can begin to send 6 birds per week beginning on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Since a new test (VecTest) will be used there will be a 48 hour turnaround. Timeliness of reporting will be very much improved. Mosquito Surveillance is again recommended. Light traps will be sent by courier to Brock University. Reports will be emailed on a weekly basis. Human surveillance will be fast tracked as well. The Public Health Lab will provide a 48 – 72 hour turn around time. Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) will carry out equine surveillance and will report cases to the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care. WNV equine vaccine is being actively promoted. A decision to larvicide or adulticide will require a local risk assessment that weighs the level of risk to public health from the mosquito borne virus, with the expected benefits and risks of pesticide use.

Information garnered from the West Nile Conference - Toronto March 20, 2003 which may be of interest to Committee members includes:

Equine Surveillance

- CFIA carrying out surveillance
- An early indicator
- More in rural areas
- Report results to MoHLTC -- Web site --- confirmed and probable
- Wyeth vaccine for equine being actively promoted
- In 2002 - 17 health units had positive horses - mostly in central – southwest area --Windsor had the highest number - 38% of positive horses

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s) (continued)**

American Programs - Dr. Robert Jin

**Chicago**

- Mosquito Abatement
- -little decrease after adulticiding
- -larviciding decreased the mosquito infection rate (MIR)

**Louisiana**

- -larvicide early – aerial and ground Bti, BS - catch basins and ditches
- -adulticide –aerial and ground - ULV
- -human cases peaked in July and dropped in August – only 1 case in November

**Ohio**

- -larvicide - March – October - catch basins x 2, ditches
- -woodland pools
- -adulticide – August – September – 1 mile radius of positive cases (human and mosquito pools) 31 %- 55 % drop in traps
- -rise in human cases slowed late September to early October

**New York**

- Public Education but little behaviour change identified
- -door to door campaign
- -targeted high risk groups

**Ontario Experience**

**Region of Peel**

- Larval surveillance
- Adult Mosquito surveillance
- Heath effect surveillance

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s) (continued)**

- Public Education
- Breeding Site Priority
- catch basins
- artificial containers
- ditches, storm water management ponds
- natural areas
- Reorient staff
- Storm water management – native fish
- Natural areas – Bti – monitoring proves larva are there
- Public complaints
- Adulticide contingency plan

**Toronto Public Health**

- Public education
- Source reduction
- Surveillance
- Larviciding plans – received funding
- beginning Integrated Pest Management
- 200 thousand catch basins
- target Culex Species
- Working group began approvals in the fall
- Applying larvicide themselves – 30 people – trained – licensed
- Budget 1.3 million - ½ going to larviciding
- \$4.00 per catch basin – pest control company
- \$ .70 per catch basin for product only

**Halton**

- 1. Public Education – Standing Water
- Use of Repellents
- Surveillance Dead Bird peaked – early warning
- Human peak – 3-4 weeks later
- incidence rates
- 15-20/100,000
- 50 % encephalitis
- 25 % meningitis
- Will larvicide Oakville (54/100,000) and Burlington (43/100,000)
- Methoprene x 3 - a month a part
- Contingency planning – Adulticide

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month(s) (continued)**

- Requested that the province pilot Ultrasonic units - to see if they are a viable option.

**Ottawa**

- Tier 2
- 20 % urban 80 % rural
- no human cases
- moderate number of dead birds
- Surveillance of birds and mosquitoes in 2002
- This year more aggressive surveillance – will pick up birds and VecTest them
- Public Education
- If cases, larvicide in catch basins in urban areas – tender rather than staff

**Chatham-Kent**

- 2/3 drained land/ swamp reclaimed
- great # positive birds
- positive mosquito pools
- 3 cases recorded – 2 probable
- Education
- Surveillance – Works Department
- Drains Committee
- Map and record birds/mosquitoes
- Contingency Plan for Emergency

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities**

1.      Accounts

A listing of accounts (\$215,936.55) will be available at the meeting.

2.      Accounts Verification

- |      |  |     |
|------|--|-----|
| i.   | Are there any items significantly over budget?             | No  |
| ii.  | Are there any items significantly under budget?            | No  |
| iii. | Are there any items that were not in the budget?           | No  |
| iv.  | Were all items purchased in accordance with County policy? | Yes |

**PART A**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

3.      Items of Committee Interest

a)      Environmental Health & Prevention Services

Outbreak Control - SARS

Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) is a severe form of pneumonia, accompanied by a high fever. It is thought to be caused by a virus that is spread via droplets from coughing and sneezing, or from direct face-to-face contact with an infected person. Lambton residents were advised that the risk of infection is low unless one has close contact with persons diagnosed with SARS or has recently traveled to China, Hong Kong, Vietnam or Singapore, AND developed a fever (over 38 C or 100.4 F) AND developed one or more of the following respiratory symptoms: cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing.

As the number of cases in Toronto increased and the number of contacts in isolation passed 1000, the Chief Medical Officer of Health declared a Health Emergency. Additionally, SARS became a reportable, communicable and virulent disease, thus giving the Medical Officer of Health more power to control an outbreak of the disease.

CHSD has participated in daily provincial teleconferences with the Public Health Branch. A media release and Fact Sheet were developed, sent out and added to our website. Information was shared with hospitals, physicians, Emergency Medical Services, Community Care Access Centre, Department of Oceans and Fisheries and County of Lambton Employees. Many inquires from residents were answered. Public health nurses monitored 5 travelers that returned to Lambton County until it was past their incubation periods. All remained well.

Currently, there are no ongoing infectious disease outbreaks in local facilities. However, the influenza season cannot be said to be over, as surrounding health units still are reporting a number of respiratory outbreaks at this time.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Tobacco Control

An assessor from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MoHLTC) recently conducted a review of the Tobacco Enforcement Program, over a two day period. The Department's achievement of the standards and requirements of the Mandatory Health Programs and Services Guidelines were evident.

Communicable Disease/Outbreak Control

The World Health Organization has posted an alert due to several diagnosed human cases of "chicken flu" in China. In 1997, there were six deaths due to a related virus, which resulted in the slaughter of a huge number of domestic chickens in Hong Kong, to prevent the further development of a possible pandemic strain of influenza.

As a result, this current alert bears serious concern. Dr. Greensmith has written to the Emergency Departments and the labs of both area hospitals to alert them of this situation and to request their assistance with ongoing surveillance for this virus.

Several respiratory viruses have been circulating in the community. Two long-term care facility outbreaks have been attributed to parainfluenza type 3, and we have isolated cases of influenza A and also one case of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) infection. Prevention continues to be very important, and long term care facilities are screening visitors and asking those who have respiratory or enteric symptoms to delay their visits. Hand-washing remains the single most important measure to prevent the spread of these viruses from person to person.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

The Health Canada co-ordinator for this project recently visited the Community Health Services Department to assess the ongoing progress of this project. No issues of concern were raised.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The risk of Hepatitis 'C' is high among inmates of correctional institutions in Canada. Presentations on the prevention of Hepatitis 'C' and other blood borne infections have recently been provided at the local jail, for both staff and inmates. To help promote both self-protection and awareness in this high-risk group, harm reduction kits containing toothbrushes and razors are being provided to inmates on discharge.

An Assessor from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care visited for a day to assess the Community Health Services Department compliance with the Mandatory Health Programs and Services Guidelines (Sexually Transmitted Diseases program). The assessment was a very positive experience, and no areas of non-compliance were noted.

Health Hazard Investigation

Inspection staff followed up on an investigation forwarded by a local pediatrician concerning elevated blood 'lead' levels in a young child. Investigation revealed the family resides in an older home that is undergoing major renovation. The homeowner was given information concerning safe methods of renovating homes that contain lead. The reporting physician will keep us advised if the child's condition worsens.

Safe Water

A local school board reported an excessive amount of lead in drinking water at one of its schools. Investigation revealed that the elevated levels were a result of samples taken from a supply with standing water in the pipes during March Break. Results of re-sampling after flushing the water lines revealed levels below the Maximum Allowable Concentration (MAC). Consultation was conducted on the importance of having schools flush water lines after any period of extended closure. The school board's Building Services Department has contracted to have the feeder line from the water meter to the school replaced.

Staff attended the Bi-national Public Advisory Council (BPAC) meeting. Plans were discussed and information was received concerning work being done towards de-listing areas of environmental concern. Also, Dow Chemical released details of plans to dredge the next area of the St. Clair River.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

b)      Health Promotion & Program Support

Cancer Prevention & Early Detection

An information session about “Sun Safety” was provided to employees of the Corunna Nova site.

Injury Prevention

CAN-Bike 11 Training has been set for April, and five Sarnia schools have committed to Kids CAN-Bike events.

An exercise program for older adults is running at Residence on the St. Clair from March until June, 2003.

The Speed Monitor Trailer will be used by Sarnia Police for Operation Slow Down starting in March.

Nutrition

Healthy Eating presentations were given to employees at Transport Canada and to thirty members of a Cancer Support Group. Packages of information for Nutrition Month were distributed to schools and worksites throughout Lambton County.

Cooking Clubs in Port Lambton and Alvinston had a total of fourteen women and children preparing a meal. A presentation about nutrition and osteoporosis prevention was given to the Lambton County Women’s Institute (ROSE Program) with nearly 100 people attending.

117 Good Food Boxes were ordered from six sites in Lambton County. Six school classes completed the Healthy Lunch Challenge.

Physical Activity

Lambton County Regional Trail Committee is preparing trail information to be featured on the Lambton County website. Six Lambton Trail Committees are meeting to co-ordinate a county-wide “Celebrate Your Trail Day” to be held June 5, 2003.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Eight schools are participating in the “*Turn Off the Screen*” event. Children are challenged to turn off television, computer, and gaming screens for one week.

Preconceptional Health

‘Folic Acid Fast Facts’ resources have been mailed out to local pharmacies and physicians’ offices to remind women to get a sufficient amount of folic acid before pregnancy.

Tobacco Use Prevention

A presentation was done for Huron Boys Home about Tobacco Use Prevention and Environmental Tobacco Smoke. A similar package of information was provided to Big Sisters as a teaching session for Little Sisters.

Tobacco By-law

Staff is gathering data from a variety of sources for the Tobacco Bylaw report to County Council. We have arranged for Bylaw related questions to be added to the February cycle Rapid Risk Factor Surveillance questionnaire (100 Lambton County residents will be surveyed by telephone every month). These questions should give an indication of the level of public support for a county wide bylaw.

CHSD Facility – Flood Update

The damage costs for two flooding incidents at the Community Health Services Department – Point Edward facility, is estimated at \$15,000.00. A quarterly preventative maintenance program has been approved and a request for a cost estimate to install an early warning system is in process.

4.      General Manager’s Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

(a)    #3-11-03      Correspondence from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care regarding 2001 and 2002 Board of Health Budgets, Population and Budget Dollars per Capita.

(b)    #5-5-03      Correspondence from the Brant County Health Unit supporting the resolution from North Bay & District Board of Health, regarding funding advocacy for 100% funding for West Nile virus activities

Recommendation

That correspondence items 1(a) and (b) be accepted as presented.

(c)    #5-1-03      Correspondence from Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield regarding the Safe Drinking Water Act and Sustainable Water and Sewage System Act with respect to personal liability exposure

Recommendation

Committee direction is sought.

2.      Lambton Heart Health – Phase II

As directed by Committee in January 2003, the Lambton Heart Health project will submit a budget and activity plan to the Ministry of Health, Health and Wellness Programs, Public Health Branch, in April 2003.

The Heart Health Network (planning committee) convened to assess and make decisions regarding the roster of activities within the Lambton Heart Health project, for the upcoming year. Given that the next year is considered a transition year, emphasis was placed on “best practice” activities with a history of success, as well as partnership activities that will increase capacity of partner organizations to promote and improve heart healthy living throughout the County of Lambton.

**PART C      Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

**Financial Summary**

Description	In-Kind Contributions/Funding	Allocation
Ministry of Health & Long Term Care (MoHLTC)	Funding requested	\$ 62,373.00*
Community Health Services Department	Staff salary, benefits, services, supplies, program and materials	\$273,715.00 (in kind)
Community Partners Network	Staff salary, benefits, services, supplies, program and materials	\$ 70,000.00 (in-kind)
<b>Total Project Value</b>		<b>\$406,088.00</b>

Budget Breakdown (MoHLTC funding, estimates)\*

Programs and Materials .....	\$ 46,000.00
Services .....	\$ 6,000.00
Supplies.....	\$ 4,000.00
Transportation and Communication .....	\$ 1,500.00
Evaluation .....	\$ 4,873.00

**Program Summary - Proposed Activities**

**♥Healthy Eating**

- Grand Bend Community Health Centre – Heart Health Cooking Classes
- Eat Smart! Healthy Restaurant Program and School Program
- Healthy Lunch Challenge
- Food Steps Program
- Heart Health at the Grocery Store and Supermarket Tours
- Nutrition Month Campaign
- Heart Healthy Cooking Classes
- Good Food Box Program

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

♥Smoke Free Living

- Tobacco Prevention/Cessation for Child and Youth
- Tobacco By-law Public Consultation
- Stop Smoking and Support Program – Point Edward
- Grand Bend and North Lambton Community Health Centres – Smoking Cessation Program
- National Non-Smoking Week
- Quit and Win Contest

♥Active Living

- North Lambton Community Health Centre – Active Living Programming (includes indoor/outdoor walking clubs and seminars)
- Playground Leadership Program
- Student Wellness
- Lambton County Trails and Trail Awareness Days
- Community Walking Program – “Let’s Walk”
- “Turn Off the Screen” Program
- Grand Bend Community Health Centre – Walking for Wellness
- Physical Activity Guide Promotion
- Walk to School Day
- Summer/Winter Active
- Jingle Bell Walk

♥Healthy Stress Management

- Stress Management Workshop
- Lambton College Wellness

♥Community Capacity Building and Partnership Development

- Year 6 Transition - Strategic Planning
- Healthy Workplace Awards Program
- Heart Health at the Library

**Summary**

The Lambton Heart Health partnership is a model of successful community development, and one of the most stable heart health initiatives in the province. Partners have been active in the planning for the next year and this plan truly reflects an effort to balance effective, sustainable health promotion practice that is reflective of community needs.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

The proposed plan reflects the County of Lambton strategic vision of a healthy community, with diverse partners actively engaged in improving the health and quality of life of all Lambton residents.

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends that Committee endorse the proposed project plan, as presented, for Phase II, Year 1 of the Lambton Heart Health initiative, for the period April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004.

**MINUTES**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES/**  
**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

**April 16, 2003**

A meeting was held at the County Building at 1:00 p.m. on the above date.

Present: Chair C. Ivey, Warden Todd Case. Members: D. McGugan, A. Khan, R. Brown, R. O'Hara, A. Pole and A. Syer. Also Mr. N. Cottle, Corporate Manager, Information Technology Services; Ms. C. Thayer, General Manager, Community Services and Mr. R. G. Van Horne, C.A.O./General Manager, Corporate Services.  
Absent: None.

**LIBRARIES**

**Part A, Item 1 – Bookmobile Report for April 2003**

- (A) **#1:** Case/McGugan: That the report be accepted as presented and no changes be made to the current stops. Carried.

**Part B, Item 3 b) – Electric Library Award**

- (A) **#2:** Brown/Clarke: That staff be congratulated for their first prize in the Electric Library's on-line research contest. Carried.

**Part B, Item 4 – General Manager's Report**

- (A) **#3:** O'Hara/Syer: That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be  
(F) accepted as presented. Carried.

**Part C, Item 1 a) – Correspondence 5-8-03**

**#4:** Khan/Brown: That correspondence 5-8-03 be received and filed. Carried.

**Part C, Item 1 b) – Correspondence 5-9-03**

- (A) **#5:** Khan/Case: That County Library staff work with the Village of Point Edward regarding the expansion of their library and that a report be brought back to Committee related to the costs of such an expansion. Carried.

**Part C, Item 2 – Library and Lambton Room Donations**

- (A) **#6:** Brown/Pole: That the Library and Lambton Room donations be gratefully accepted and that  
(F) thank you letters be sent in accordance with the County's Recognition Policy. Carried.

**GALLERY LAMBTON**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #7: Case/Pole: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted  
(F) as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Donation by George Visser – Watercolour by Anne Marsh Evans of the Wyoming Railway Station

- (A) #8: Petryschuk/Syer: That the donation be gratefully accepted in accordance with the County’s  
(F) Recognition Policy. Carried.

Part C, Item 3 – Lambton College Collection

- (A) #9: Brown/Petryschuk: That the Curator approach Lambton College regarding the status of their  
Art Collection and the possibility of incorporating it into Gallery Lambton’s permanent art  
collection and that he report back to the Committee regarding the college’s response. Carried.

Part C, Item 4 – Purchases – Seven Drawings and Watercolours by the Late Toronto Artist Aba Bayefsky and a Small Oil Painting by Agnes Depew of the Sarnia River, dated 1951

- (A) #10: Pole/Petryschuk: That \$7,468.25 be withdrawn from Gallery Lambton’s Acquisition  
Reserve Fund to purchase the above named works. Carried.

Part C, Item 5 – Future of the Gallery

- (A) #11: Murray/Syer: That staff be authorized to indicate to Bayside Mall that the County wishes  
to renew the lease for up to three (3) years and that staff act on behalf of the County during the  
negotiations for the renewal;

That a senior staff person or his/her designate from Community Services be appointed ex officio  
to the Gallery Lambton Advisory Committee in order to provide administrative input to the  
Committee; and further,

That staff be instructed to bring back a progress report for the consideration of the Committee by  
its regular Committee meeting of September 2003 regarding the future of the Art Gallery,  
including recommendations respecting location, funding, strategic directions and business plans.  
Carried.

## **MUSEUMS**

### **Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report**

- (A) #12: Case/Khan: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted  
(F) as presented. Carried.

### **Part C, Item 2 – Cash Donations**

- (A) #13: Brown/Petryschuk: That the donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be  
(F) sent in accordance with the County’s Recognition Policy. Carried.

### **Part C, Item 3 – Tourist Information Program, Oil Museum**

- (A) #14: Pole/Khan: That the County Curator be authorized to apply for a federal SCAP position on  
behalf of the Oil Museum of Canada Foundation, with the student to work at the Museum site to  
promote Oil Heritage attractions and complete museum cataloguing. Carried.

### **Part C, Item 4 – Collections Management**

- (A) #15: Case/Clarke: That these donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be sent  
in accordance with the County’s Recognition Policy. Carried.

## **HOUSING SERVICES**

### **Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report**

- (A) #16: Khan/Syer: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted  
(F) as presented. Carried.

### **Part C, Item 1 – Correspondence 5-17-03**

- (A) #17: Brown/Case: That correspondence be issued to the Provincial Government urging that in  
(F) the spring session of the Legislature, legislation be passed to amend Section 80(5) of the Pension  
(W) Benefits Act so that commuted value of the assets held in trust for the transferred employees of  
the Sarnia & Lambton Housing Corporation be transferred to their OMERS pension plans, if the  
employee so requests. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Policies and Procedures – Personal Protection Equipment Policy

- (P) #18: Khan/Syer: That the Personal Protection Equipment Policy be approved as presented. Carried.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Part B, Item 4 – Corporate Manager’s Report

- (A) #19: McGugan/Syer: That the Corporate Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be  
(F) accepted as presented. Carried.

**SENIOR SERVICES**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #20: Case/Brown: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be  
(F) accepted as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 – Correspondence 5-16-03

- #21: Brown/Syer: That correspondence 5-16-03 be received and filed. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Donations

- (A) #22: Case/O’Hara: That these donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be  
(F) sent in accordance with the County’s Recognition Policy. Carried.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Part B, Item 4 – General Manager’s Report

- (A) #23: Syer/Pole: That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted  
(F) as presented. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 a) – Correspondence 5-12-03

- #24: Brown/Case: That correspondence 5-12-03 be received and filed. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 b) – Correspondence 5-13-03

#25: Khan/Pole: That correspondence 5-13-03 be received and filed. Carried.

Part C, Item 1 c) – Correspondence 5-18-03

- (A) #26: Khan/Syer: That we endorse the resolution of the County of Renfrew which strongly objects to the clarification provided by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for “Total Costs” within Ontario Regulation 129/99 and requesting the Ministry to amend Ontario Regulation 129/99 to broaden the costs that should be included. Carried.

Part C, Item 2 – Balanced Emergency Coverage

- (A) #27: Khan/Case: That staff consult with the major stakeholders (Lambton Hospitals Group, FOG, District Health Council, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care) regarding the contemplated deployment changes and solicit their input, comments and concerns prior to implementing any changes;

That a report be brought back to Committee after the stakeholder consultations have been completed outlining their comments and concerns. The report should contain any recommended changes as well as a timeline for implementing the new strategy; and further,

That a public education campaign be undertaken with the aim of informing residents and stakeholders of the County on the appropriate use of the ambulance service. Carried.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 2:45 p.m.

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Cam Ivey  
Chair

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Ronald G. Van Horne  
Secretary



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

c)      History Book Launch

The history of the Sarnia Library and Art Gallery has been printed and will be officially launched on April 24 at the Sarnia Branch at noon. The manuscript for this history was commissioned by the last Sarnia Library Board in 1990. Glen C. Phillips was hired to do the research. Bob Adams, a library board member (both in Sarnia and Lambton County) began editing the manuscript and passed the work over to staff, who completed the editing and arranged to have it printed with funds from the Ashby bequest (with County council approval).

d)      Disposal of Items

In accordance with County Policy, the following items have been disposed of:

1 typewriter	1 shredder
1 magazine rack	3 chairs
2 paperback racks	2 photocopiers (traded in)

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item #5-8-03. A letter from the Hon. David Tsubouchi, Ontario Minister of Culture regarding the Government Efficiency Act, 2002 and its impact on the Public Libraries Act.

Recommendation

That Item #5-8-03 be received and filed.

**PART C      Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

- b) Item #5-9-03. A letter from Joe Simon, Clerk of the Village of Point Edward, regarding the expansion of the Point Edward Branch.

Recommendation

That County Library staff work with the Village of Point Edward regarding the expansion of their library and that a report be brought back to Committee related to the costs of such an expansion.

2. Donations:

Library

- i) \$100 from Grand Bend Women’s Institute for use at the Grand Bend Branch.
- ii) \$50 from Godfried Lindeyer, Florence, for children’s books at the Florence Branch.
- iii) \$800 for children’s books donated by the Watford Library Committee for the Watford Branch.
- iv) \$170 from County Crafters for magazine subscriptions for the Watford Branch.

Donation Boxes:

\$15 Bright's Grove	\$2.60 Port Franks
\$18 Florence	\$225.73 Sarnia
\$48 Grand Bend	\$24 Sombra
\$26 Mallroad	\$23.20 Thedford
\$13 Oil Springs	\$9.30 Wilkesport
\$50.49 Wyoming	

Sale of used books: \$470.06

Lambton Room

- i) 1 box of research notes pertaining to the Sundin, Sweetman, Kane, Askew and Cascadden families, donated by Jim Townsend, Corunna.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

- ii) 6 binders of information pertaining to the Hayward and McGregor families, donated by Joan Williams, Petrolia (on behalf of the Nadine Schuler Estate, Wallaceburg).
- iii) 2 S.C.I.T.S. yearbooks for 1947 and 1947-48, donated by the Forest Branch Library.
- iv) The Oldest and Longest Independently Owned and Continually Operated Movie Theatre in the World, three volumes of historical documentation on the Kiwanis Kineto Theatre, a copy of which has been submitted to the Guinness World Records Limited, donated by Murray Finch, Public Relations Chairman, Kiwanis Club of Forest, Forest, Ontario.
- v) Warwick Tweedsmuir History (microfilm), photocopied pages from the Rogers Family Bible, Warwick Township, and a copy of 1851 Warwick Township Assessment Map, donated by Mary James, Warwick, Ontario.
- vi) Photograph of young people's group, Presbyterian Church, Wyoming, 1927, donated by Janet Bradley, Petrolia.
- vii) Box of I.O.D.E. records (Hon. Alexander Vidal Chapter which disbanded in 2001), donated by Jane Lennon, Petrolia.
- viii) Stories of Lambton: Book One: Discover Lambton Reflections Past and Present (CD) and Heritage Notes: Images of Lambton's Past (blank note cards featuring sketches of Lambton), donated by the Retired Teachers Association, Sarnia.
- ix) Stories of Lambton: Book One and Discover Lambton: Reflections Past and Present (CD), donated by Bob McCarthy, Sarnia.
- x) \$49.04 from W.S. Morse, England, for use in the Lambton Room.
- xi) \$28.63 in the donation box.

**Recommendation**

That these donations be gratefully accepted in accordance with County Policy.

**Additional Items Attached for Information Purposes Only**

Adult programs for April  
Children's programs for April



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

b)      March Break Workshops

10 Art Classes for children were offered. 7 were filled with 15 or more registrants while the other 3 had 14, 11 and 5 children.

c)      Spring Art Classes for Children and Adults

2 Creative Wigglers classes are being offered, ages 2-5 with an accompanying adult (6 children and 6 adults; and 11 children and 11 adults); and 2 art classes for children, ages 6-8, and 9-13 (10 registrants of 15 in both classes).

d)      Current Exhibitions

*Look 03* (The 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition), April 12 to May 10, 2003 (Main Gallery). Initiated by the Sarnia Art Association, the first juried show was held at the Carnegie Library, Sarnia, in 1953. Since then this important community event has been held continuously even though the format may have changed over the years. This year's jurors will be Mr. Glen E. Cumming, Director of the Art Gallery of Windsor and Mr. Joe de Angelis, Artist and Art Instructor, University of Windsor. Cash awards are raised from the Industries and Businesses of Sarnia while artists' fees are raised from the entry fees.

*The Group of Seven: All the Paintings, Sketches and Drawings from the Permanent Collection*, March 8 to May 10, 2003 (Sadie A. Knowles Gallery). 43 works will be shown including two never before seen drawings on the back of others. This exhibition will include new information from research conducted by the curator including the identity of Holgate's *The Lumberjack*. An accompanying brochure will describe some of the achievements of Norman Gurd and the Sarnia Women's Conservation Art Association in the 1920's and the part they played in promoting the Group of Seven. It is hoped that with appropriate funding raised from the community or elsewhere that a more substantial publication will be produced.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**e)      Upcoming Exhibition

*The Lambton County Secondary School Art Exhibition*, May 17 to June 7, 2003 (Both Galleries). It is not known when this exhibition began but, like the juried show, it too must have had a long history. Organized and selected by the art teachers, approximately 200 colourful works of art in a wide variety of media and techniques, reveal all the energy and vitality of youth. Funds for the Gallery Lambton awards are raised from the Industries of Sarnia.

f)      Looking at Art

Gallery Lambton will offer five workshops on various visual concepts in art, lead by Gallery Assistant, Sheryl Mendritzki. These are: *Classicism and Romanticism in Art* (January 25<sup>th</sup>); *How do I look at Abstract Art?* (February 22<sup>nd</sup>); *The Group of Seven* (March 29<sup>th</sup>); *Art in Quebec* (April 12<sup>th</sup>); and *Native Art* (June 14<sup>th</sup>). Each workshop will include a slide talk and a behind-the-scenes look at the permanent collection storage room, using specific works applicable to the topic of each workshop. Invited speakers from the community have been recruited and the curator will lead the Group of Seven workshop using the exhibition in the Sadie Knowles Gallery. This is full at 15 participants at a cost of \$45.00 each.

g)      Loans from the Permanent Collection

Several requests for loans have recently been agreed to. Tom Thomson's *Chill November* is currently on a national tour in the Thomson exhibition. It was at the National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa from June 7 to September 8, 2002; and the Vancouver Art Gallery from October 5, 2002 to January 5, 2003. It was at the Musée du Québec from February 6 to April 3, 2003 and it will be shown at the Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, from May 30 to September 7, 2003 and at the Winnipeg Art Gallery from September 29 to December 7, 2003. Holgate's *The Lumberjack* will be included in the *Soundtracks* exhibition that will be organized and circulated nationally by the Edmonton Art Gallery, June 2003 to May 2004. Lawren Harris' *Winter Evening* will be included in *The Other Landscape* exhibition, again organized and circulated by the Edmonton Art Gallery, 2003-2005.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

h)    Statistics:

i)    Gallery Lambton Advisory Committee

Minutes of the January 13 & February 17, 2003 meetings.

4.    General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.    Correspondence

None at this time.

2.    Donations

George Visser had on loan to the County a watercolour by Anne Marsh Evans of the Wyoming Railway Station. This is currently displayed in the Council Chambers. He would now like to donate it to the County. This will be treated as a donation to the County without coming into the collection of Gallery Lambton even though a Deed of Gift form will be signed.

Recommendation

That this donation be gratefully accepted in accordance with County Policy.

3.    Lambton College Collection

The status of the art collection at Lambton College may be in some doubt. According to an inventory list, there are 140 works with a replacement value of \$241,550.00. Approximately 86 of these are works on paper that may or may not be framed, 6 fabric pieces, 11 sculptures including an important wall piece by West Lorne artist, Walter Redinger (\$15,000); 5 ceramic pieces, 13 First Nations works; and 9 Inuit prints, sculpture and a fabric piece.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

According to Susan Perry, who has been looking after the collection, most are currently in storage and have not been exhibited for several years. Moreover, the College is not quite sure what to do with them, now that there are no longer any fine art courses.

Susan Perry and the curator feel that an offer to incorporate the College's collection into the Gallery's permanent collection should be made. Most of the works of art on paper could be accommodated in the map drawers even if another set of map drawers were to be purchased. The sculpture and ceramics, and probably the fabric pieces could be stored. Given the importance of this collection and the areas where it would add strength to our existing holdings, especially Inuit prints, it would be appropriate that the collection stay in Lambton County. A charitable tax receipt would be issued to Lambton College for the Fair Market Value.

**Recommendation**

That the curator approach Lambton College regarding the status of their Art Collection and the possibility of incorporating it into Gallery Lambton's permanent art collection and that he report back to the Committee regarding the College's response.

**4.**      **Purchases**

The following works are currently being considered for purchase using money in the Gallery Lambton Art Acquisition Reserve fund:

- i) Seven drawings and watercolours by the late Toronto artist Aba Bayefsky. It was the wish of Mr. Bayefsky that Gallery Lambton be considered because of his earlier involvement with this city. He also has two earlier works in the collection from 1952 and 1960. He became well known for his drawings in Kensington Market and five of the seven are of this market and dated 1990 and 1991. One is a large watercolour from his Japanese tattooed men series and the other is a powerful linocut print of a man's head. All these are being offered to the Gallery at a 25% discount, a savings of \$2,356.25. The total for the Bayefsky works is \$7,068.00.
- ii) A small oil painting by Agnes Depew of the Sarnia River, dated 1951. The artist, Agnes Depew, was a well-known Sarnia artist who specialized in the depictions of this city in the 1950s through the 1970s. This will cost \$400.00.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

There is currently just over \$11,000 in Gallery Lambton's Art Acquisition Reserve Fund.

Recommendation

That \$7,468.25 be withdrawn from Gallery Lambton's Acquisition Reserve Fund to purchase the above named works.

5.      Future of Gallery

See report attached.

Recommendations

1.      That staff be authorized to indicate to Bayside Mall that the County wishes to renew the lease for up to 3 years and that staff act on behalf of the County during the negotiations for the renewal.
2.      That a senior staff person or his/her designate from Community Services be appointed ex officio to the Gallery Lambton Advisory Committee in order to provide administrative input to the committee.
3.      That staff be instructed to bring back a progress report for the consideration of the committee by its regular Committee meeting of September 2003 regarding the future of the Art Gallery, including recommendations respecting location, funding, strategic directions and business plans.



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

It presents the recreational use of the Lake Huron shoreline between 1875 and 1950.

c)      Special Events

Lake Smith Annual Game Dinner was hosted at the Museum March 1, with 200 dinners served. The Association makes an annual donation in exchange for the gallery preparation.

Paint the Huron Shores Art Competition & Sale: Opening March 8, this selection of art depicts the Lake Huron shoreline from Sarnia northward. Over \$4000 in cash prizes were awarded and to date 26 paintings have been sold. Revenue from the sale of paintings goes to the cost of show advertising and mail outs; the museum keeps the entire gate receipts from the show attendance.

Return of the Tundra Swans: Swan viewing has been four weeks late this year compared to 2002 and fewer in number. The flock increased to 3000 swans, but due to the lack of rainfall and no standing water, the birds did not stay at the optimal location behind the museum, but were found scattered around the bog at considerable distance from roadside view. The season is so late now that it is expected additional swan arrivals will be limited, and they will travel directly to Manitoba en route to the arctic.

Tamarack Raptor Hawk & Owl Show: Sunday March 16, a crowd of 100 enjoyed this annual presentation of live birds which are being nursed back to health.

d)      Tourist Visitation & Museum Attendance 2002:

Recent statistical analysis by the Ministry of Tourism in *Ontario Tourism Facts & Figures* indicate summer visitation was down from 2001 by 10 to 12% at Ontario Travel Centres. September in particular was hard hit, with a 19% decrease in border crossings from September of 2000. This latter date provides a more useful comparator than September of 2001, which were skewed by the impact of 9-11.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

These figures reflect the visitation experience at many County museums across western Ontario which found the 2002 year difficult. Our own experience, with relatively flat visitation from 2000, must be viewed as a positive outcome in the context of the broader Ontario tourism experience for the year.

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

None at this time.

2.      Cash Donations

- i)      Lake Smith Conservationists: \$988. for more tables and chairs.
- ii)     Blanche Coultis, Alberta: \$2000. for Coultis exhibit.
- iii)    Murray's Christmas House: \$75. toward Fall Craft Sale.
- iv)     Lambton Shores: \$500. toward Fall Craft Sale/Fall Fantasia
- v)      Thedford Bosanquet Agricultural Society: \$300.

Recommendation

That these donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be sent in accordance with the County's recognition policy.

3.      Tourist Information Program , Oil Museum

In May 2002 we assigned our summer SCAP student to the Sarnia-Lambton Tourism Centre when the Reece's Corners TIC was deemed unsuitable. The student worked as ambassador for the Oil Heritage District through detailed orientation of fellow staff members, and direct contact with the public.

**PART C      Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

This student position was obtained through partnership with the Oil Museum of Canada Foundation.

For 2003, the Oil Museum of Canada Foundation decided that they consider staffing at the museum a priority, and they want their student to work at the museum site to be regularly available to greet and orient museum visitors to Oil Heritage District attractions, as well as work at museum cataloguing. A suitable job outline has been prepared to accommodate their intent.

Recommendation

That the County Curator be authorized to apply for a federal SCAP position on behalf of the Oil Museum of Canada Foundation, with the student to work at the museum site to promote Oil Heritage attractions and complete museum cataloguing.

4. Collections Management

Lambton Heritage Museum

Artifacts Recommended for Acceptance

- i) Thedford Public School postcard: Frank Wight, Thedford
- ii) Fish hooks, skates, canner: Fred Willert, Grand Bend
- iii) Ipperwash T-Shirt, Hotel keys, tape, 1946 Ipperwash map: Bill Smibert, Lucan
- iv) Androck popcorn basket; cant hook by Hastings, Watford: Carol Allister, Grand Bend
- v) Hotel Wingham ledger (refer to Bruce County Museum): Estate of Gerald Edwards, Arkona
- vi) Magazines, sort and select: Bryon Sparling, Forest
- vii) Two ivory fans: Larry Cole, Grand Bend

Artifacts Recommended for Refusal

- i) Collection of 135 20<sup>th</sup> C cameras: ..... Roy Kennedy, Sarnia
- ii) Bingo tumbler, Royal portrait: ..... Royal Canadian Legion, Grand Bend

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

- iii) Marble Dutch clock, only fair: .....S. Boersma, London
- iv) .22 cal. Handgun (restricted): .....Ray Binden, Port Franks
- v) Ontario school texts, 1910-1940: ..... Gary McNeil, Bright's Grove

Oil Museum of Canada

Artifacts Recommended for Acceptance

- i) Steam pump on cart, used at Imperial Oil packaging: Ken Macklin, Sarnia
- ii) Army photos, dog tag, from Jack Turner: Elizabeth Bailey, Oil City
- iii) 12 postcard copies from Wm. Rawson, foreign driller: Dorothy Payne, Sarnia

Recommendation

That these donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be sent in accordance with the County's recognition policy.



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

A part-time staff person of POA will work one day per week in an attempt to collect former tenant arrears within the first 60 days. If not successful, the accounts will be turned over to TCH.

This is the same company that POA utilizes. Housing Services will be covered by the existing contract with a fee of 17% of recoveries.

Currently there are 912 former tenant accounts that have never been included in the County of Lambton's General Ledger. These accumulated from the mid 1970's until May 31, 2002, prior to the installation of the Vadim Housing Module software. The balance of these accounts is \$450,837.90. Of these 678 are with Sarnia Credit Recovery and 205 were recently turned over to TCH. The remaining accounts are of a minimal amount or the tenant is deceased. Housing Services has been receiving approximately \$700 per month from Sarnia Credit Recovery after fees are paid.

Former tenants in arrears are not eligible for Rent Geared to Income Assistance and this has proven to be the most effective collection method.

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item #5-17-03 from Toronto Community Housing regarding Transfer of Pension Assets for Employees Divested from the former Housing Authorities. This is an issue with the staff that were former employees of the Sarnia & Lambton Housing Corporation as well. Although these individuals became employees of the County of Lambton, they were not eligible to transfer their pensions into OMERS. The amendment to the legislation would allow that to happen if the employee so requested.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

Recommendation

That correspondence be issued to the Provincial Government urging that in the spring session of the Legislature, legislation be passed to amend section 80(5) of the Pension Benefits Act so that commuted value of the assets held in trust for the transferred employees of the Sarnia & Lambton Housing Corporation be transferred to their OMERS pension plans, if the employee so requests.

2.      Policies and Procedures

a)      Personal Protection Equipment Policy

Two site staff employees of the Housing Services Department recently suffered workplace accidents involving an ankle injury. To help reduce future employee injury and/or lost time accidents, management of the Housing Services Department implemented the attached Personal Protective Equipment Policy. This policy does not allow low cut boots to be worn on the work site. This policy went into effect March 1, 2003.

Recommendation

That the above policy be approved as presented.

**Additional Items Attached for Information Purposes Only**

Tenant Newsletter

Newsletters are issued on a quarterly basis to tenants residing in units owned by the County of Lambton and those housed through the rent supplement programs.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
**CORPORATE MANAGER'S REPORT**

April 16th, 2003

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**PART A**      **Follow-up from Previous Month/Meeting(s)**

None.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities**

1.      Accounts

A listing of accounts will be available at the meeting.

Total for the month of February \$ 144,873.99

2.      Accounts Verification

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|------|--|-----|
| i)   | Are there any items significantly over Budget?         | No  |
| ii)  | Are there any items significantly under Budget?        | No  |
| iii) | Are there any items that were not in the Budget?       | No  |
| iv)  | Were items purchased in accordance with County Policy? | Yes |

3.      Items of Committee Interest

a)      Financial Information System

Payroll staff is continuing to enter payroll related data (e.g. vacation accruals) in order for the HR system to go live. While this is anticipated in June, 2003, it will depend upon the prerequisite, corrected data being available in the Payroll system.

b)      County Wide Area Network (WAN)

All sites are now using the County Wide Area Network (WAN) – there are some ongoing adjustments still being made to the network.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

c)      Process Technology Reviews

The A/P report completed by Vadim is still under consideration by Finance. There are additional process reviews required in the Library and Homes to prepare for future information system upgrades and associated service deliveries. Co-ordination of these review projects is just beginning.

d)      Lambton Shared Services Centre (LSSC) and Health Unit

The new Integrated Networks Program (INP) is ongoing. There may be some issues regarding the currently shared use of computer equipment between Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Service Program staff. The Province has directed that these networks be entirely separate. County staff are discussing these issues and potential options with Ministry INP project staff. The Healthy Babies/Healthy Children (ISCIS) program is completed. The automated Room Booking system at the LSSC is working well. Some additional room management features will be added within the next few weeks.

e)      Connect Ontario-Geosmart & CLEAR Fund Applications

Geo-smart and CLEAR funding applications are still under review. However, the Geosmart program review panel met in early March and should announce their findings shortly.

f)      Library Services

No major items to report at this time.

g)      Miscellaneous Items

Some initial discussions occurred with GM's regarding priority IT Capital projects for 2003.

The County website development is going well and on schedule for April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003 live date. The site is currently being tested for accuracy and navigation of site options. County staff have secured the domain name of **Lambtononline.ca** while awaiting the release of **Lambton.ca** domain name.

**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Connestoga Rovers & Associates (CRA) held a specific GIS “Municipality only” related meeting March 17 2003, with additional discussions with the Lambton Mapping Group.

The discussion brought attendees up to date regarding CRA activities regarding their report status, the Global Positioning System (GPS) data collection and Emerald Ash Borer projects. It was also mentioned that the County will be releasing RFP’s shortly for the acquisition of GIS software and GPS handheld units, as part of the overall GIS project progression.

The County is awaiting a response from HRDC for the recent funding application of 2 programs, both involving hiring additional temporary staff (the GPS and the Emerald Ash borer beetle projects).

The Purchasing Co-ordinator and IT staff are working with MIAD Systems to co-ordinate the ordering and delivery of IBM computers and HP printers commencing within the next 4-6 weeks. It is anticipated that a combined training and equipment deployment team will be on site to assist County staff transition to the new systems and software.

The Corporate Manager Information Technology has provided similar PC system related information to the Township of Brooke-Alvinston to assist with their plans to upgrade existing systems.

4.      Corporate Manager’s Report

Recommendation

That the Corporate Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

None.



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item #5-16-03. The Ministry has announced the availability of one time funding for community-based services. The Lambton County Adult Day Programs will receive \$55,914.00. This money has been earmarked for a retrofit for the Alzheimer Adult Enrichment Center (AAEC) van, a tub for the new program at North Lambton Rest Home, and program supplies for the North Lambton and Marshall Gowland Manor Outreach programs.

Recommendation

That correspondence item #5-16-03 be received and filed.

2.      Donations

One Broda chair, received by Marshall Gowland Manor from I. DeAlmeida.

In addition, the following memorial donations have been received:

Lambton Meadowview Villa - donations totaling \$2,022.86

Alzheimer Adult Enrichment Centre - donations totalling \$2,575.00

Recommendation

That these donations be gratefully accepted and that thank you letters be sent in accordance with the County's recognition policy.

**Additional Items Attached for Information Purposes Only**

2002 Medical Directors' Report



**PART B**      **Monthly Activities (continued)**

c)      Co-op Students

Lambton EMS is taking part in the Secondary School Co-op Program. There are Co-op students stationed in Sarnia and Thedford. Students will be in the program until the end of May.

NB: Due to the recent SARS situation, the student Co-op placements have been cancelled until further notice.

d)      AMEMSO

Staff attended the Association of Municipal Emergency Medical Services of Ontario business meeting in February. Items discussed at the meeting included: Formation of Sub Committees for the group, Cross Border billing, Funding, Legislation changes, AMEMSO Conference in Fall 2003, and Paramedic shortages in the Province.

e)      Bariatric Patients

Staff met with Sarnia Transit to address an issue surrounding transport of bariatric patients. A meeting with the Lambton Hospital Group was held to review the issues and a viable option for transport of bariatric patients was agreed to.

f)      Long-Term Care Tiered Response

Staff met with the Base Hospital System Optimization Committee to discuss Tiered Response issues for Long-Term Care facilities. It was agreed that Tiered Response to these facilities is an area that has been neglected since the Fire Departments started carrying defibrillators. The meeting resulted in a draft proposal on the inclusion of LTC facilities in this protocol and will be passed to all FD's and LTC facilities for feedback and approval.

4.      General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1.      Correspondence

- a)      Item # 05-12-03 Correspondence received from the MOHLTC re: Grant for Salaries, Wages and other Operating costs increases. The letter states there has been an increase to the Lambton EMS service grant for 2002/03. The MOHLTC has increased our Base Grant by \$ 64,441.00.

Recommendation

That correspondence item # 05-12-03 be received and filed.

- b)      Item # 05-13-03 Correspondence received from MOHLTC re: Cross Border Billing. The correspondence is a response on behalf of the Cross-Border Billing working group as a response to inquiries made by AMO regarding this issue. The correspondence provides a definition of the default provision of Regulation 129/99.

Recommendation

That Item # 05-13-03 be received and filed.

- c)      Item # 05-18-03, from the County of Renfrew asking for consideration and endorsement of their resolution related to the above correspondence. Renfrew disagrees with the Ministry's definition of Total Costs for the purposes of cross border billings and is requesting that Ontario Regulation 129/99 be amended to broaden the costs that should be included.

Recommendation

That Item #05-18-03 be received and filed.

2.      Balanced Emergency Coverage

See attached report.

**PART C**      **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

Recommendations

- 1) That staff consult with the major stakeholders (Lambton Hospitals Group, FOG, District Health Council, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care) regarding the contemplated deployment changes and solicit their input, comments and concerns prior to implementing any changes.
- 2) That a report be brought back to Committee after the stakeholder consultations have been completed outlining their comments and concerns. The report should contain any recommended changes as well as a timeline for implementing the new strategy.
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