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# AGENDA

County of Lambton  
Meeting for the Committee "Lambton County Council"  
on  
Wednesday November 30, 2005 12:30 PM  
Council Chambers  
Chair: Patricia Davidson

## Orders of the Day:

Silent Reflection  
Roll Call  
IN-CAMERA SESSION - 12:30 PM  
OPEN SESSION  
Regular Meeting called to order at 12:45 pm  
(tentative)  
Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest  
Rise and Report motions of the In-Camera  
Session  
Delegations  
Monthly Staff Presentation Re: Activities and  
Issues  
Minutes of Council (Open Session) and (Closed  
Session)  
Correspondence  
Reports to Council  
Reports to Council (not requiring a motion)  
Committee Reports  
Items Tabled from Previous Meetings  
Notice of Motion  
Other Business  
Notice of By-Laws  
Adjournment  
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2. Roll Call
  
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- B. OPEN SESSION
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  2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest
  3. Rise and Report motions of the In-Camera Session

**4. Delegations**


- a) Mr. Michael Lawley, Executive Director of Tourism Sarnia-Lambton, will be speaking to County Council regarding funding.

**5. Monthly Staff Presentation Re: Activities and Issues**

- a) Children's Services Department - Ms. Sue O'Brien, Manager, Children's Services.

**6. Minutes of Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) - **

- a) Reading and Adoption of the Minutes of Council (Open Session) dated November 2, 2005.  
b) Reading and Adoption of the Minutes of Council (Closed Session) dated November 2, 2005.

**7. Correspondence -  **Pages 7 - 32****

- a) 11-16-05 A letter from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), dated October 14, 2005, regarding Ontario's \$3 billion Provincial Municipal fiscal gap. A.M.O. has always been clear in its opposition to the downloading forced upon Municipal Governments by the previous Provincial Government. A.M.O. feels that there still is no viable plan to ensure that Ontario Municipalities have a financially sustainable future and that Ontario needs a plan of action that over time begins to reduce the Provincial reliance on Municipal property taxes.
- b) 11-19-05 A letter from the Township of Coleman, dated October 26, 2005, requesting support of its resolution to petition the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Provincial Government to ensure that none of our natural resources (wood), be sold and directed to other Provinces.
- c) 11-20-05 A copy of a letter from the Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce to Tourism Sarnia-Lambton, dated October 27, 2005, congratulating Tourism Sarnia-Lambton on its growth and development over the past three years. On October 26th, 2005, the Board of Directors of the Chamber passed a resolution that the President advise Tourism Sarnia-Lambton that it is prepared to re-negotiate and renew the agreement as a funding partner of TSL.
- d) 11-23-05 A letter from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, dated October, 2005, requesting endorsement of its resolution to write to John McCallum, the Minister Responsible for Canada Post and request that the Federal Government instruct Canada Post to:
- stop the closure of the mail sorting plant in Quebec City and proposed closures to develop other locations;
  - consult with the public, postal unions and other major stakeholders to develop a uniform and democratic process for making changes to the Canada Post's network; and,
  - maintain, expand and improve our public postal network.
- e) 11-24-05 A letter from the Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce, dated October 26, 2005, advising that at its recent meeting, the Board of Directors recognized the County of Lambton's Silver Award in the Healthy Workplace awards this year.
- f) 11-25-05 A letter from Inky Mark, M.P., Dauphin-Swan River-Marquette, dated October 25, 2005, requesting support of his resolution to ask that the Government of Canada enact Private Members Bill C391, the Heritage Hunting and Fishing Protection Act, to protect in Canada the right to hunt and fish. No law of Canada shall be construed or applied so as to deprive a person of this right and the Minister of Canadian Heritage shall enter into discussions with the Provinces with a view to securing on behalf of all Canadians their continued right to hunt and fish, subject only to any reasonable limits as may be established

by law.

- g) 11-31-05 A letter from the Township of Loyalist, dated October 31, 2005, requesting endorsement of its resolution to ask the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to include fishers as predators for which claims for injured or killed livestock can be reimbursed.
- h) 11-32-05 A copy of a letter from the Lambton County Woodlot Owners Association to Mr. Ken Marchant, Network Specialist Forestry Nursery, CFIA Regional Office, dated November 1, 2005, requesting that if the CFIA intends to impose a quarantine in Lambton related to the emerald ash borer, that such a quarantine be appropriate to the area of infestation and not the entire County.
- i) 11-33-05 A copy of a letter from the City of Niagara to Ms. Patricia Vanini, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, dated October 11, 2005, advising of its resolution supporting the Canadian Independent Petroleum Marketers Association's ideas of asking the Federal Government to intervene in the wholesale gasoline sector to restore the free market system of competition. The City of Niagara is requesting support of this resolution.
- j) 11-34-05 A letter from the Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce, dated October 25, 2005, regarding Lambton County's Core Services Reviews. The Chamber advises that at the end of part 1, it has concerns that most services were identified as essential and question how in depth the study may ultimately be.
- k) 11-35-05 A letter from the City of Kitchener, dated November 10, 2005, requesting support of its resolution that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, on behalf of Ontario Municipalities, commission an objective review of the results of amalgamations in Ontario relative to the principles of affordability, accountability and political accessibility with a view to determining the financial, service and other benefits and/or drawbacks of amalgamations.
- l) 11-36-05 A copy of a letter from the Town of Midland to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, dated November 17, 2005, advising that the Province make good on its promise of a better working relationship with Municipalities. The Town of Midland is requesting support of its resolution to ask the Province of Ontario to end its continued downloading of Provincial programs and use of municipal property tax dollars for the subsidization of Provincial health and social services programs and that the Province work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), to develop a plan to begin the uploading of Provincial program costs back to where they belong.

#### **Recommendation**

That the above correspondence items be received and filed.

**8. Reports to Council: None at this time.**

**9. Reports to Council (not requiring a motion) -  **Pages 33 - 35****

- a) General Managers' Updates - Minutes dated October 11, 2005.

**10. Committee Reports -  **Pages 36 - 169****

- a) Woodlot Committee Minutes dated November 8, 2005.
- b) Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee Minutes dated November 16, 2005.

c) Corporate and Community Services Committee Minutes dated November 16, 2005.

**11. Items Tabled from Previous Meetings** - 

Tabled motion #24 of the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated October 19, 2005 regarding correspondence 11-3-05 - Funding of Tourism Sarnia-Lambton. Motion #24 is as follows:

**Part C, Item 1 a) - Correspondence 11-3-05**

**#24: Arnold/Boushy: That total funding of Tourism Sarnia-Lambton be brought under the County funding umbrella and that the financial impacts for local Municipalities be prepared and added to this report so that it can be fully considered at the next meeting of County Council .**

**Carried.**

**12. Notice of Motion**

**13. Other Business** -  **Page 170**

a) Memorandum dated November 21, 2005 Regarding the Federal Gas Tax - Terms and Conditions.

**14. Notice of By-Laws** -   

a) **#43 of 2005** A By-Law to Dedicate Land as Part of County Road No. 19 (Michigan Avenue, Part of Lot 53, Front Concession, Parts 10 and 11 on Plan 25R 2230, geographic Township of Sarnia, City of Sarnia, County of Lambton).

b) **#44 of 2005** A By-Law to Authorize the Signing of an Agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to Receive Federal Gas Tax Monies. (A full copy of Schedule "A" will be available on the centre table at Council November 30th, 2005.)


c) **#45 of 2005** A By-Law of The Corporation of the County of Lambton to confirm the resolutions and motions of Lambton County Council which were adopted up to and including November 30, 2005.

**15. First and Second Reading of By-Laws #43 to #45 of 2005.**

**16. Third and Final Reading of By-Laws #43 to #45 of 2005.**

**17. Adjournment**

**18. O Canada!**

**Note** - 

a) There will be a brief meeting after Council today with the Aspiring Wardens, to review material for the Inaugural meeting.

b) The Warden's Election and Inaugural Meeting of County Council will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

c) The CIBC Bank dinner will be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2005 at the Holiday Inn Sarnia-Point Edward, Venetian A Ballroom, 1498 Venetian Blvd, Sarnia, Ontario. Reception will be at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m.

