

**MINUTES and PROCEEDINGS of the INAUGURAL SESSION of
THE CORPORATION of the COUNTY OF LAMBTON**

December 1, 2004

Lambton County Council met on the above date at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, County Building, Wyoming, for the Inaugural meeting for the year 2005.

The Clerk called the meeting to order and called the Roll. All members were present except C. Ivey.

The Members of Lambton County Council for 2005 are as follows:

Brooke-Alvinston	Mayor	Don McGugan
Dawn-Euphemia	Mayor	William Bilton
Enniskillen	Mayor	Jim Burns
Lambton Shores	Mayor	Cam Ivey
	Deputy Mayor	Carolyn Jamieson
Oil Springs	Mayor	Gordon Perry
Petrolia	Mayor	Brian McManaman
Plympton-Wyoming	Mayor	Patricia Davidson
Point Edward	Mayor	Dick Kirkland
Sarnia	Mayor	Mike Bradley
	Councillor	Jim Foubister
	Councillor	Bev MacDougall
	Councillor	Dave Boushy
	Councillor	Joe Murray
St. Clair	Mayor	Joseph Dedecker
	Deputy Mayor	Steve Arnold
Warwick	Mayor	Todd Case

The Clerk welcomed the guests, then announced that the initial duty at the Inaugural Session of Lambton County Council for the year 2005 was to elect a Warden for 2005.

A secret ballot was taken during which time the past Wardens were introduced. Mr. Steve Arnold and Mr. Gordon Perry acted as scrutineers. It was then announced by the Chair Mr. John A. McDonald, that Mrs. Patricia Davidson was chosen as the 150th Warden for 2005.

#1: Boushy/Case: That Mrs. Patricia Davidson be elected as Warden of Lambton County for the year 2005. Carried.

#2: Arnold/Jamieson: That the Clerk destroy the ballots. Carried.

Election of the Deputy Warden for the Year 2005

At this time, it was the duty of Lambton County Council to elect a Deputy Warden. A secret ballot was taken and it was then announced by the Chair that Mr. Jim Burns was chosen as Deputy Warden for the year 2005.

#3: Bradley/Bilton: That Mr. Jim Burns be elected as Deputy Warden for the year 2005. Carried.

#4: Arnold/Jamieson: That the Clerk destroy the ballots. Carried.

The Reverend Aroldo Anniehs was invited within the Bar to give the Invocation.

The Warden was then escorted to her office by the runners-up, where she donned the traditional gown. Mr. Rick Elliott then piped in Mrs. Davidson to the Council Chambers.

The Warden declared her oath of office before the Council and all those present and was sworn in by Justice of the Peace, Marsha Miskokomon.

Ms. Ross invited past Warden Todd Case to present the Chain of Office, keys, gavel and the Procedures Manual to the new Warden, Mrs. Patricia Davidson.

Mrs. Davidson spoke briefly on her new position as Warden.

The following people were invited to speak to Council:

Ms. Gloria Cayea on behalf of Mr. Roger Gallaway, M.P. Sarnia–Lambton Riding.

Warden Davidson requested a recess to allow the four municipal groups to meet to select their members on the Standing Committees and the Striking Committee for 2005. Then the Striking Committee met.

Council reconvened for the regular Council Session at 2:30 p.m.

Mr. Jim Foubister presented the Striking Committee minutes dated December 1, 2004.

The Clerk read the minutes of the Striking Committee.

#5: Arnold/Case: That this day's minutes be adopted as read. Carried.

Council then recessed for the Standing Committees to select a Chair and Vice-Chair.

Minutes

The following minutes were read by the Clerk:

Community Services/Information Technology Committee dated December 1, 2004; and,
Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee dated December 1, 2004.

#6: McManaman/McGugan: That we adopt the two (2) sets of minutes as read. Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Carolyn Jamieson, Deputy Mayor of the Municipality of Lambton Shores, distributed to Council, information from the November 26, 2004 meeting of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.) Board.

Mr. Todd Case, Mayor of the Township of Warwick, congratulated staff for their work in preparing for the Warden's Election today.

Mr. William Bilton, Mayor of the Township of Dawn-Euphemia, announced that his Municipality might have several rooms available for the OGRA/ROMA Conference.

Mr. Dick Kirkland, Mayor of the Village of Point Edward, announced that the Village of Point Edward is holding an Open House on Wednesday, December 22, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Gordon Perry, Mayor of the Village of Oil Springs, announced that an Open House will be held at the Oil Museum of Canada on Saturday, December 18, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., to acknowledge the 1st Oil Company in North America "International Mining and Manufacturing Company" – December 18, 1854. All are welcome to attend.

Mr. Brian McManaman, Mayor of the Town of Petrolia, announced that on Tuesday, December 7, 2004 at the Petrolia Legion, there will be a kick-off luncheon from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for Christmas for Everyone. All are invited to attend.

By-Laws

#7: Arnold/Bilton: That By-Laws #1 and #2 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time. Carried.

#8: Foubister/Jamieson: That By-Laws #1 and #2 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2005 at 12:30 p.m.

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Patricia Davidson
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk, General Manager,
Corporate Services