

MINUTES

County of Lambton
Meeting for the Committee "Lambton County Council"
on
Wednesday October 5, 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
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
Other Business
Notice of By-Laws
Adjournment

Lambton County Council was in session in the Council Chambers, Wyoming, Ontario, at 12:30 p.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present except Wm. Bilton.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

#1: Case/Burns: That the Warden declare that County Council go in-camera to discuss a matter subject to solicitor-client privilege.

Carried.

Open Session

The Warden declared that County Council go back into open session.

Report of the Closed Session Meeting of Council dated April 6, 2005

#2: Jamieson/Kirkland: That Council rise and report.

Carried.

Ms. L. Ross noted that a resolution was passed at the Closed Session meeting of April 6, 2005 regarding Mandatory/Discretionary Programming as follows:

- a) **From the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee Minutes dated March 2, 2005:**

Memorandum dated March 2, 2005 Regarding Mandatory/Discretionary Programming

#2: Foubister/Burns: That the Committee recommend to County Council that it accept the budget reduction proposed in the General Manager, Social and Health Services Report.

Carried.

#3: Jamieson/Kirkland: That Council adopt the report of the Closed Session Meeting.

Carried.

Delegations

#4: McManaman/McGugan: That we invite Mr. Norman E. Sutherland from Monteith & Sutherland Limited, within the Bar, to speak to County Council regarding consideration of supporting local businesses.

Carried.

Monthly Staff Presentation Re: Activities and Issues

#5: Perry/Kirkland: That we invite Mr. Ken Herrington, Manager, Senior Services, within the Bar, to present an overview of the Senior Services Department's operations.

Carried.

Minutes of Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session)

The Lambton County Council (OPEN SESSION) and (CLOSED SESSION) minutes dated September 7, 2005 were presented.

#6: Foubister/McManaman: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Correspondence

a) 10-6-05 A resolution from the City of Hamilton, dated July 13, 2005, requesting endorsement of its resolution to recommend that the Province of Ontario immediately develop effective funding mechanisms to support rural and agricultural development issues.

#7: McGugan/Jamieson: That we support the resolution from the City of Hamilton to recommend that the Province of Ontario immediately develop effective funding mechanisms to support rural and agricultural development issues.

Carried.

#8: Arnold/Foubister: That motion #7 of this day's minutes be tabled so that further information can be obtained.

Defeated.

Reports to Council (not requiring a motion)

The following items were presented for County Council's information:

- a) Land Division Committee Minutes dated September 14, 2005; and,
- b) General Managers' Updates - Minutes dated August 30, 2005 and September 13, 2005.

Committee Reports

Mr. J. Foubister presented the Woodlot Committee minutes dated September 14, 2005.

#9: Foubister/Murray: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 and #2).

Carried.

Mr. J. Dedecker presented the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 15, 2005.

#10: Dedecker/Kirkland: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #14).

Carried.

Ms. C. Jamieson presented the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated September 21, 2005.

#11: Jamieson/McManaman: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #26).

Carried.

Other Business

Mr. Mike Bradley, Mayor of the City of Sarnia, enquired regarding the public process followed to hire the new General Manager position by contract for the St. Clair Parks Commission.

Ms. Carolyn Jamieson, Deputy Mayor of the Municipality of Lambton Shores, spoke regarding the October 15 and 16 Colour and Craft Show to be held at the Lambton Heritage Museum. All are invited to attend.

Ms. Jamieson also spoke regarding a motion that was passed recently by the Association of Municipalities (A.M.O.) Board regarding Building Code Act Amendments - Bill 124. She asked the County for support to oppose exemption of architects and engineers from the Act.

#12: Jamieson/McManaman: That the Council of the County of Lambton strongly objects to the request of architects and engineers for exemption from Bill 124;

That we request that the Building Advisory Council (BAC) to be set up in January 2006, address the following issues regarding liability recommended by BRRAG, but omitted in Bill 124:

- improved Code knowledge for builders/contractors;
- provisions for builder liability insurance for non-residential builders;
- longer liability insurance periods for designers;

That BAC review the other recommendations of BRRAG that were omitted in Bill 124, which will create a more equitable building regulatory system in Ontario; and further,

That this motion be forwarded to our local M.P.P.s, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Attorney General.

Carried.

The "A Channel" news team interviewed the two (2) Lambton County paramedics who recently won the prestigious McNally Award for bravery.

Mr. Joseph Dedecker, Mayor of the Township of St. Clair, spoke to County Council regarding the Chamber of Commerce lunch with the Minister of Energy, wherein it was again confirmed that the Lambton Generating Station in St. Clair Township would be closed in 2007. Councillor Bradley spoke to the need to keep the plant open in St. Clair Township beyond 2007.

#13: Dedecker/Bradley: That a letter be written to the Minister of Energy to express Council's continuing dissatisfaction with the decision to close the Lambton Generating Station in 2007, and to request a reasonable extension to ensure an adequate supply of power to Lambton County; and further,

That the Minister be encouraged to explore alternative energy sources, transmission grid improvements and conversion of Lambton Generating Station to natural gas; and further,

That copies of this motion be forwarded to the two (2) M.P.P.s, Ontario Power Generation - Lambton Generating Station, the Township of St. Clair and the City of Sarnia.

Carried.

Notice of By-Laws

#14: Case/Burns: That By-Laws #36 and #39 to #40 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#15: Foubister/Dedecker: That By-Laws #36 and #39 to #40 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 2:55 p.m.

Patricia Davidson
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk,
General Manager, Corporate Services