

MINUTES

County of Lambton
Meeting for the Committee "Lambton County Council"
on
Wednesday November 2, 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
Presentations
Monthly Staff Presentation Re: Activities and
Issues
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Adjournment
O Canada!
Note

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.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

#1: McGugan/Perry: 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.

Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session dated November 2, 2005

#2: Murray/Dedecker: That Council rise and report.

Carried.

Ms. L. Ross noted that there were no resolutions to report from the Closed Session meeting of November 2, 2005.

#3: Murray/Dedecker: That Council adopt the report of the Closed Session meeting.

Carried.

Presentations -

- a) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Joseph Dedecker and Mr. Ken Dick, General Manager, Social and Health Services to Bruce Power, in appreciation for their generous donation to the Community Health Services Department as part of their Community Sponsorship Program, which was used to help sponsor Car Seat Clinics in Lambton County.
- b) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to The Shaw Foundation, in appreciation of their generous donation to the Therapeutic Garden at Lambton Meadowview Villa.
- c) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to the Lake Smith Conservationists, in appreciation of their ongoing support of exhibits, programs and events at the Lambton Heritage Museum.
- d) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to Ms. Jean Muma, in appreciation of her ongoing support of exhibits, programs and events at the Lambton Heritage Museum.
- e) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to Ms. Jean Hay, in appreciation of her generous donation of art work to Gallery Lambton.
- f) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to Mr. Charles Fairbank, in appreciation of his ongoing support of exhibits, programs and events at the Oil Museum of Canada.
- g) A recognition plaque was presented by Chair Carolyn Jamieson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to Mr. Uldis Upitis, in appreciation of his generous donation to the Oil Museum of Canada.
- h) A recognition plaque was presented by Warden Patricia Davidson and Ms. Cindy Thayer, General Manager, Community Services to the Oil Museum of Canada Foundation, in appreciation of their generous donation to the Oil Museum of Canada.

Monthly Staff Presentation Re: Activities and Issues -

#4: Arnold/MacDougall: That we invite Mr. Robert Wilks, Manager, Information Technology Services, within the Bar, to present an overview of the Information Technology Services Department's operations.

Carried.

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

The Lambton County Council (OPEN SESSION) and (CLOSED SESSION) minutes dated October 5, 2005 were presented.

#5: Foubister/Kirkland: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Correspondence -

a) 11-4-05 A Member Communication Alert from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), dated October 4, 2005, regarding Bill 123 - Transparency in Public Matters Act, 2005, which adds requirements to notice provisions, open meetings, minutes, forms of meetings, et cetera, all of which are addressed in the Municipal Act, which could create confusion for Council, administration and the public. A.M.O. is asking every Municipality to pass a resolution to urge the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to vote against the Bill if the reference to "Municipal Councils" is not deleted in the Bill as reported by the Standing Committee.

#6: Jamieson/Perry: That the County of Lambton support the resolution from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to urge the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to vote against Bill 123 - Transparency in Public Matters Act, 2005, if the reference to "Municipal Councils" is not deleted in the Bill as reported by the Standing Committee.

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Brian McManaman, was requested by Councillor Mike Bradley on motion #6 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	Yes (2)
Wm. Bilton	Yes (1)
D. Boushy	Yes (3)
M. Bradley	No (3)
J. Burns	Yes (1)
T. Case	Yes (2)
P. Davidson	Yes (3)
J. Dedecker	Yes (3)
J. Foubister	Yes (3)
C. Ivey	Yes (3)
C. Jamieson	Yes (2)
D. Kirkland	Yes (1)
B. MacDougall	Yes (3)
D. McGugan	Yes (1)
B. McManaman	Yes (2)
J. Murray	Yes (3)
G. Perry	Yes (1)

Yeas - 34; Nays - 3.

Carried.

b) 11-12-05 A copy of a letter from the Regional Municipality of Niagara to the Right Honourable Paul Martin, Prime Minister of Canada, dated September 26, 2005, advising of its resolution to support the establishment of cost-effective policies and programs that enhance both the security of the border and facilitates the Cross-Border passage of people and goods such as Nexus. It does not support the additional requirement of a "passport of another document" in order to cross the U.S./Canada border effective December 31, 2006 (air, sea) and December 31, 2007 (land), until another document that is easily accessible and affordable by all citizens of all ages is completely defined. Niagara

Region proposes that an economic impact analysis and cost/benefit analysis of this program be carried out with respect to all economic sectors before a final decision and Implementation schedule is determined.

#7: Kirkland/Foubister: That the County of Lambton support the resolution from the Regional Municipality of Niagara concerning the security of border documents required for travel.

Carried.

- c) 11-13-05 A copy of a letter from the Lambton Kent District School Board to Ms. Caroline Di Cocco, M.P.P., Sarnia-Lambton Riding, dated September 30, 2005, expressing its concerns about Bill 123, An Act to require that meetings of provincial and municipal boards, commissions and other public bodies be open to the public. The Lambton Kent District School Board feels that there are important instances, as provided in the Education Act, that permit school boards to discuss limited matters in meetings closed to the public and that it has an obligation to protect the rights of the students and staff.

#8: Jamieson/MacDougall: That correspondence 11-13-05 be received and filed.

Carried.

- d) 11-14-05 A letter from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, dated October 3, 2005, advising that the Ministry has implemented a special Long Standing Service Recognition Program for locally elected municipal officials with twenty-five (25) years or more of service. The Ministry is requesting assistance in bringing forward the names of eligible Councillors. The following are the nomination criteria: i) 25 years or more of service on Municipal Council(s) as of December 1, 2005 (not necessarily consecutively); and, ii) currently serving on Council (nominees may have service on Council in more than one Municipality).

#9: Foubister/Arnold: That we move the nomination of all County Councillors who have served for twenty-five (25) years or more.

Carried.

- e) 11-15-05 A Member Communication Alert from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.) dated October 26, 2005, regarding Bill 206, An Act to revise the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Act. A.M.O. is requesting that a resolution be passed by every Municipality stating that they do not support the proposed changes to the OMERS pension fund contained in Bill 206 and request that the Government of Ontario reconsider the advisability of proceeding with Bill 206 in its current form.

#10: Jamieson/MacDougall: That the County of Lambton support the resolution from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to not support the proposed changes to the OMERS pension fund contained in Bill 206 and request that the Government of Ontario reconsider the advisability of proceeding with Bill 206 in its current form.

Carried.

Reports to Council (not requiring a motion) -

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

- a) General Managers' Updates - Minutes dated September 20 and October 4, 2005; and,
b) Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Board of Directors - Minutes dated September 8, 2005.

Committee Reports -

Mr. J. Dedecker presented the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee Minutes dated October 19, 2005.

#11: Dedecker/Foubister: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #17).

Carried.

Ms. C. Jamieson presented the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated October 19, 2005.

Re: Motion #18 - Part B, Item 3 c) - eGenda Software Implementation

#12: Dedecker/Perry: That motion #18 of the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated October 19, 2005 regarding the eGenda Software Implementation, be deleted.

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Cam Ivey, was requested by Councillor Joseph Dedecker on motion #12 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	No (2)
Wm. Bilton	No (1)
D. Boushy	No (3)
M. Bradley	No (3)
J. Burns	Yes (1)
T. Case	Yes (2)
P. Davidson	Yes (3)
J. Dedecker	Yes (3)
J. Foubister	No (3)
C. Ivey	No (3)
C. Jamieson	No (2)
D. Kirkland	No (1)
B. MacDougall	No (3)
D. McGugan	Yes (1)
B. McManaman	Yes (2)
J. Murray	No (3)
G. Perry	Yes (1)

Yeas - 13; Nays - 24.

Defeated.

Re: Motion #24 - Correspondence 11-3-05 Funding of Tourism Sarnia-Lambton

#13: Dedecker/Jamieson: That motion #24 of the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated October 19, 2005 be tabled to the next meeting of County Council November 30, 2005.

Carried.

* #14: Dedecker/Jamieson: That any increase over 2005 funding levels by the County, be referred to the Budget process for 2006; and further,

That Tourism Sarnia-Lambton representatives be invited to speak to County Council at its next regular meeting on November 30, 2005, regarding their operations, including the suitability of imposing a destination marketing fee.

Carried.

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

Carried.

Other Business

Mr. Don McGugan, Mayor of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston, spoke to County Council regarding the Treasured Memories Gala Fundraising Live and Silent Auction, to be held on Saturday, November 12, 2005 at Lambton Meadowview Villa. Tickets can be purchased from Mr. McGugan and Darlene Coke. Proceeds from the event will be directed toward the Adult Day Programs. All are invited to attend.

Mr. McGugan also advised that he has tickets for sale for the Lambton Federation of Agriculture's Annual Meeting and Banquet to be held on Friday, November 18, 2005. The speaker will be from the University of Guelph who will be talking about genetically modified organisms.

Notice of By-Laws -

#16: Bilton/Arnold: That By-Laws #41 and #42 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#17: Boushy/Bradley: That By-Laws #41 and #42 of 2005, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 2:15 p.m.

Patricia Davidson
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk,
General Manager, Corporate Services

* Warden Davidson declared that motion #14 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes of November 2, 2005 was out of order under Robert's Rules of Order, as it is in direct conflict with tabled motion #24 of the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated October 19, 2005. Warden Davidson asked that this motion be stricken from the minutes - see Council November 30, 2005, page 2.