

MINUTES

County of Lambton
Meeting for the Committee "Lambton County Council"
on
Wednesday March 1, 2006 12:30 PM
Council Chambers
Chair: Jim Burns

Orders of the Day:

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest
Rise and Report motions of the In-Camera
Session
Minutes of Council (Open Session) and
(Closed Session)
Correspondence
Reports to Council (not requiring a motion)
Committee Reports
Other Business
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Adjournment
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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 C. Ivey and T. Case.

Mr. Lonny Napper, newly elected Mayor of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, was sworn in by the Clerk. Warden Burns welcomed Mr. Napper to Council.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

#1: Arnold/Dedecker: 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 March 1, 2006

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

Carried.

Ms. L. Ross noted that there were no resolutions to report from the Closed Session meeting.

#3: Jamieson/MacDougall: That Council adopt the report of the Closed Session meeting.

Carried.

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

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes of Council dated February 1, 2006 were presented.

#4: MacDougall/Perry: That this day's minutes be adopted as amended.

Carried.

Correspondence

3-2-06 A letter from the Honourable Jim Bradley, Ministry of Tourism, dated January 19, 2006, advising that the Lieutenant Governor in Council is extending the terms of four (4) provincially appointed members to the St. Clair Parks Commission by Order-in-Council, for a period of up to seven (7) months, until July 9, 2006. The Ministry is expecting that an agreement between the Province and the County of Lambton may be reached in the coming weeks. The County of Lambton may also consider extending the term of the County appointees to the St. Clair Parks Commission to ensure that the board continues to function as a joint Provincial-County entity until new arrangements are in place.

3-4-06 A Member Communication from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), dated February 1, 2006, advising that the Province has announced an additional \$51 million in Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) base funding and is providing additional one-time funding to defer reductions originally planned for 2006. Municipalities will receive 2006 OMPF funding at least equivalent to 2005 amounts.

3-8-06 A Member Communication from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), dated February 2, 2006, advising that A.M.O. has developed its pre-budget submission calling on the Provincial Government to address the ongoing provincial municipal fiscal relationship. In the submission, A.M.O. emphasized the need to reduce the Province's reliance on municipal revenues to subsidize provincial programs and services, or to close the provincial-municipal \$3 billion fiscal gap.

#5: Bradley/Napper: That correspondence 3-2-06, 3-4-06 and 3-8-06 be received and filed.

Carried.

Reports to Council (not requiring a motion)

The following item was presented for County Council's information:

a) Land Division Committee Minutes dated February 14, 2006.

Committee Reports

Mr. Wm. Bilton presented the Woodlot Committee minutes dated February 14, 2006.

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

Carried.

Mr. J. Foubister presented the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated February 15, 2006.

#7: Foubister/Kirkland: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #18).

Carried.

#8: Murray/McGugan: That County Council correspond with Ms. Caroline Di Cocco, M.P.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding, and express its disappointment in her not being able to meet with them along with Ms. Maria Van Bommel, M.P.P. Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Riding. The issues noted are of great importance to County Council and they would like the opportunity to discuss them with both M.P.P.s jointly.

Carried.

Mr. J. Dedecker presented the Joint Meeting of the Standing Committees minutes dated February 15, 2006.

#9: Dedecker/Foubister: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motion #1).

Carried.

Mr. G. Perry presented the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated February 15, 2006.

#10: Perry/McManaman: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #22).

Carried.

Mr. G. Perry presented the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated March 1, 2006.

#11: Perry/Foubister: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motion #1).

Carried.

Other Business

Mr. William Bilton, Mayor of the Township of Dawn-Euphemia, spoke to County Council regarding Emergency Medical Services funding announcements made at the recent meeting of OGRA/ROMA.

Ms. Carolyn Jamieson, Deputy Mayor of the Municipality of Lambton Shores, spoke to County Council to remind them to attend the CAPSTONE Project at the University of Western Research Park, Sarnia-Lambton Campus, on Wednesday, March 8, 2006.

County Councillors were reminded of the Nova Chemicals tours, to be held today, Wednesday, March 1, 2006. Councillors should arrive between 4:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., and must enter the site at Visitors' Gate 2, from 785 Petrolia Line.

Notice of By-Laws

#12: MacDougall/McGugan: That By-Law #14 of 2006, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#13: Kirkland/Jamieson: That By-Law #14 of 2006, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 1:45 p.m.

Jim Burns
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk,
General Manager, Corporate Services