

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

December 13, 2006

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 years 2007 and 2008.

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

The Members of Lambton County Council 2007 and 2008 were then sworn in by the Clerk.

The Members of Lambton County Council for 2007 and 2008 are as follows:

Brooke-Alvinston	Mayor	Don McGugan
Dawn-Euphemia	Mayor	William Bilton
Enniskillen	Mayor	Jim Burns
Lambton Shores	Mayor	Gord Minielly
	Deputy Mayor	Carolyn Jamieson
Oil Springs	Mayor	Gordon Perry
Petrolia	Mayor	John McCharles
Plympton-Wyoming	Mayor	Lonny Napper
Point Edward	Mayor	Dick Kirkland
Sarnia	Mayor	Mike Bradley
	Councillor	Jim Foubister
	Councillor	Bev MacDougall
	Councillor	David Boushy
	Councillor	Anne Marie Gillis
St. Clair	Mayor	Steve Arnold
	Deputy Mayor	Peter Gilliland
Warwick	Mayor	Todd Case

The Clerk welcomed the guests, and then announced that the initial duty at the Inaugural Session of Lambton County Council for the years 2007 and 2008 was to elect a Warden for 2007 and 2008.

The nominations for the position of Warden were opened and closed. It was then announced by the Chair Mr. David Smith, that Mr. Jim Burns was chosen as the 152nd Warden for 2007 and 2008.

#1: Bradley/Napper: That Mr. Jim Burns be acclaimed as Warden of Lambton County for the years 2007 and 2008.

Carried.

Election of the Deputy Warden for the Years 2007 and 2008

At this time, it was the duty of Lambton County Council to elect a Deputy Warden. Councillors Jim Foubister, Carolyn Jamieson, Gord Perry and Peter Gilliland declared their intentions to run for the position. A secret ballot was taken, during which time the past Wardens were introduced. It was then announced by the Chair that Ms. Carolyn Jamieson was chosen as Deputy Warden for the years 2007 and 2008.

#2: Foubister/McGugan: That Ms. Carolyn Jamieson be elected as Deputy Warden for the years 2007 and 2008.

Carried.

#3: Bilton/Perry: 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 his office by the past Warden, where he donned the traditional gown. Mr. Rick Elliott then piped in Mr. Burns to the Council Chambers.

The Warden declared his oath of office before the Council and all those present and was sworn in by Justice of the Peace, Helen Gale.

Ms. Ross invited past Warden Todd Case to present the Chain of Office, keys, gavel and the Procedures Manual to the new Warden, Mr. Jim Burns.

Mr. Burns spoke briefly on his new position as Warden.

The Clerk read congratulatory letters from Mrs. Patricia Davidson, M.P. Sarnia–Lambton Riding, Mr. Bev Shipley, M.P. Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Riding and Mrs. Maria Van Bommel, M.P.P. Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Riding.

Warden Burns requested a recess to allow the four municipal groups to meet to select their members on the Standing Committees and the Striking Committee for 2007 and 2008. Then the Striking Committee met.

Council reconvened for the regular Council Session at 2:20 p.m.

Mrs. Bev MacDougall presented the Striking Committee minutes dated December 13, 2006.

The Clerk read the minutes of the Striking Committee.

#4: MacDougall/Kirkland: 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:

Corporate and Community Services Committee dated December 13, 2006; and,

Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee dated December 13, 2006.

#5: McGugan/Jamieson: That we adopt the minutes of the Corporate and Community Services Committee as read.

Carried.

#6: Bilton/Arnold: That we adopt the minutes of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee as read.

Carried.

#7: McGugan/Gillis: That the Clerk be authorized to prepare the By-Laws covering the appointments to Committees, Boards and Commissions for 2007 and 2008, approved by Council this day.

Carried.

Other Business

Councillor Gord Perry distributed t-shirts to County Councillors as part of the "2008 Celebrate" festivities.

Councillor Jim Foubister spoke on behalf of the Sunshine Foundation and thanked Robert Wilks, Corporate Manager, Information Technology Services, for his efforts to obtain a computer for a small child in Newfoundland.

Councillor Bev MacDougall spoke on behalf of the Gallery Lambton Advisory Committee and thanked David Taylor, Curator of Gallery Lambton, for all his hard work and dedication. Mr. Taylor is to retire at year end.

Councillor Steve Arnold spoke regarding the position of Deputy Warden. He stated that Deputy Warden should receive Committee pay for attending both Committee meetings.

- * #8: Arnold/MacDougall: That the Deputy Warden be appointed as a non-voting member of the Committee to which he/she was not formally appointed to, and that he/she receive Committee pay for the second meeting accordingly.

Carried.

By-Laws

#9: Bilton/Boushy: That By-Laws #1 and #2 of 2007, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#10: Kirkland/Jamieson: That By-Laws #1 and #2 of 2007, 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 7, 2007 at 12:30 p.m.

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Jim Burns
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk
General Manager, Corporate Services

- * Amend – The Deputy Warden shall be entitled to vote at both meetings – see Council November 5, 2008, mot. #18.