

MINUTES
LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL

October 3, 2007

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.

Mr. Stéphane Thiffeault was introduced by the Warden to Council as the new County Solicitor.

In-Camera

#1: Arnold/MacDougall: 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 October 3, 2007

#2: Napper/Perry: That Council rise and report.

Carried.

The Clerk noted that there were no resolutions to report from the Closed Session meeting.

#3: Napper/Perry: That Council adopt the report of the Closed Session meeting.

Carried.

Monthly Staff Presentations re: Activities and Issues

#4: MacDougall/Kirkland: That we invite Ms. Margaret Roushorne, Manager, Ontario Works, within the Bar, to present to Council an overview of the Social Services Department's operations.

Carried.

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The Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes dated September 5, 2007 were presented.

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

Carried.

Correspondence

10-12-07 A letter from the City of Cornwall, dated August 13, 2007, requesting support of its resolution to request the Province of Ontario to assume 100% of the Court Security costs and to re-assume 100% of the cost of all provincially mandated programs such as Social Assistance, ODSP, Ontario Drug benefits, child care services and facilities.

#6: McGugan/Perry: That Council support the resolution from the City of Cornwall, dated August 13, 2007, to request the Province of Ontario to assume 100% of the Court Security costs and to re-assume 100% of the cost of all provincially mandated programs such as Social Assistance, ODSP, Ontario Drug benefits, child care services and facilities.

Carried.

10-4-07 A memo from the City of Kingston, dated August 30, 2007, requesting support of its resolution to ask the Province of Ontario to increase the per student levy at rated public educational institutions each year, pursuant to Section 323 of the Municipal Act, 2001, beginning in 2008 to an amount equivalent to the taxes that would be levied if the property was taxable.

10-13-07 A letter from The Honourable Steven W. Mahoney, P.C., Chair of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, received September 19, 2007, thanking Warden Jim Burns for his interest and support of the WSIB's Community Workplace Health and Safety Charter.

#7: Foubister/Minielly: That correspondence 10-4-07 and 10-13-07 be received and filed.

Carried.

Reports to Council

Memorandum dated September 13, 2007 Regarding Revenue Enhancements/Cost Reductions

#8: Minielly/Bradley: That the matters be referred to the respective Standing Committees for further discussion.

Carried.

Memorandum dated September 26, 2007 Regarding the City/County Agreement

#9: Arnold/Jamieson: That we appoint a Committee of Council to bring the current City/County Agreement up to date and bring recommendations back to County Council for further consideration.

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Steve Arnold, was requested by Councillor Carolyn Jamieson on motion #9 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold Yes (3)
Wm. Bilton No (1)
D. Boushy No (3)
M. Bradley No (3)
J. Burns No (1)
T. Case No (2)
J. Foubister No (3)
P. Gilliland Yes (2)
A. Gillis No (3)
C. Jamieson Yes (2)
D. Kirkland No (1)
B. MacDougall . No (3)
J. McCharles No (2)
D. McGugan No (1)
G. Minielly Yes (3)
L. Napper No (3)
G. Perry No (1)

Yeas - 10; Nays - 27.

Motion defeated.

#10: Bilton/Kirkland: That the City/County Agreement be extended for another five (5) years, with the items no longer applicable being removed.

Carried.

Reports to Council (not requiring a motion)

The following items were presented to County Council for its information:

- (a) Land Division Committee Minutes dated September 11, 2007;
- (b) General Managers' Updates - Minutes dated August 28, 2007; and,
- (c) Tourism Sarnia-Lambton - Minutes of the Board of Directors dated July 12, 2007 and the Manager's Report for July/August 2007.

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Mr. Wm. Bilton presented the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007.

Re: Motion #25 - Part C, Item 4 - Child Care Program for Aboriginal Children - Expression of Interest

#11: Bilton/Gillis: That we amend motion #25 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007 to add:

“That the General Manager, Social and Health Services be authorized to enter into agreements with the YMCA Sarnia-Lambton, London Bridges Inc., and the Sarnia Native Friendship Centre for the purchase of land, construction, ownership and operation of an Aboriginal Child Care Centre.”

Carried.

Re: Motion #11 - Part C, Item 2 - Dawn Landfill Site

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Don McGugan, was requested by Councillor Steve Arnold on motion #11 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007 regarding the Dawn Landfill Site.

S. ArnoldNo (3)
Wm. BiltonYes (1)
D. BoushyYes (3)
M. BradleyNo (3)
J. Burns.....No (1)
T. CaseNo (2)
J. FoubisterNo (3)
P. Gilliland.....No (2)
A. Gillis.....No (3)
C. JamiesonYes (2)
D. KirklandNo (1)
B. MacDougall .No (3)
J. McCharlesYes (2)
D. McGuganNo (1)
G. MiniellyYes (3)
L. Napper.....Yes (3)
G. PerryNo (1)

Yeas - 14; Nays - 23.

Motion defeated.

#12: MacDougall/Gillis: That we table motion #11 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007 regarding the Dawn Landfill Site, for a further report and evaluation from staff.

Defeated.

#13: Arnold/MacDougall: That motion #11 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007 regarding the Dawn Landfill Site, be amended by deleting the second paragraph so that the motion reads as follows:

“That the Public Works Department continue to offer an increased level of service at the Dawn Landfill Site until at least December 31st, 2007; and,

That Public Works Department proceed with an evaluation of a “place or pay” contract system.”

Carried.

Re: Motion #17 - The Lambton Health Promotion and Protection Fund

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Jim Foubister, was requested by Councillor Steve Arnold on motion #17 of the Infrastructure and Development/Social and Health Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007 regarding the Lambton Health Promotion and Protection Fund.

S. Arnold Yes (3)
Wm. Bilton No (1)
D. Boushy No (3)
M. Bradley No (3)
J. Burns No (1)
T. Case No (2)
J. Foubister No (3)
P. Gilliland No (2)
A. Gillis No (3)
C. Jamieson Yes (2)
D. Kirkland No (1)
B. MacDougall . No (3)
J. McCharles No (2)
D. McGugan No (1)
G. Minielly Yes (3)
L. Napper No (3)
G. Perry No (1)

Yeas - 8; Nays - 29.

Motion defeated.

#14: Bilton/McCharles: That this day's minutes be adopted as amended (motions #1 and #4 to #25).

Carried.

Mr. D. McGugan presented the Corporate and Community Services Committee minutes dated September 19, 2007.

#15: McGugan/Napper: That this day's minutes be adopted as presented (motions #1 to #20).

Carried.

Ms. C. Jamieson presented the Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Committee minutes dated September 5, 2007.

#16: Bradley/MacDougall: That motion #3 of the Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Committee minutes dated September 5, 2007 be amended to read as follows:

“That the Committee meet with Tourism Sarnia-Lambton officials and develop a mutually agreed to set of objectives to measure the performance of Tourism Sarnia-Lambton over the next eighteen (18) months; and further,

That if Tourism Sarnia-Lambton's performance over that period does not meet the agreed to objectives, that notice then be provided to discontinue funding.”

Carried.

#17: Jamieson/Bradley: That this day's minutes be adopted as amended (motions #1 to #3).

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Re: Bluewater Health Building Project

#18: Bradley/Kirkland: That the County of Lambton not extend or increase its contribution of funding to Bluewater Health through the levy, for the construction and renovation of the new facility including the purchase of any new equipment at the Norman Street site.

Carried.

Councillor Gord Perry informed County Council that the Adult Day Program Advisory Committee is holding its fundraising Gala Auction on Saturday, November 3rd, 2007 at Lambton Meadowview Villa. Proceeds are directed to the Adult Day Programs operated at North Lambton Lodge, Lambton Meadowview Villa and Marshall Gowland Manor. Tickets can be purchased from Councillor Perry. All are welcome to attend.

By-Laws

#19: Napper/Perry: That By-Laws #35 to #38 of 2007, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#20: McGugan/Minielly: That By-Laws #35 to #38 of 2007, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Jim Burns
Warden

Linda Ross
Solicitor/Clerk
General Manager, Corporate Services