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### NEWS RELEASE

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### **Council Highlights**

**Wyoming, ON** – At its regular meeting on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 12:30 p.m., Lambton County Council:

- Heard a presentation from John Innes, Corporate Manager, Financial Services / Treasurer who spoke to Council about the Department's activities relating to purchasing, internal auditing and revenue development.
- Noted that in recognition of the County of Lambton's \$50,000 donation to the new Children's Hospital in London, Ontario, the hospital will name a room after the County within the Ambulatory Care Unit.
- Directed staff to continue to negotiate a suitable Municipal Hazardous and Special Waste Shared Responsibility Agreement with Stewardship Ontario.
- Supported a resolution from the Sudbury Mine Mill and Smelter Workers, to amend the Ontario Health and Safety Act to include a personal safety clause that would offer protection from emotional or psychological harm as well as from physical harm in the workplace.
- Directed staff to provide an additional report to County Council on the budget impacts of the negotiated Municipal Hazardous and Special Waste Shared Responsibility Agreement with Stewardship Ontario as well as methods of improving the provision of household hazardous waste collection services to the residents of Lambton County within the constraints of recent budget allocations (\$130,000 – 2008) for this program.
- Noted the Municipality of Lambton Shores has paid \$17,960.50 in interest arrears resulting from the decision to withhold a portion of taxes collected on behalf of the County for the funding of the Bluewater Health building project.
- Noted that the Public Works Department is in talks with the Township of Brooke-Alvinston to select a date / location for a mobile Household Hazardous Waste depot in eastern Lambton County.

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- Requested that Premier McGuinty call an Ontario Economic and Environmental Summit to bring together business, labour, elected municipal leaders, provincial MPPs, MPs, and First Nations from across the Province to develop “Made in Ontario” economic and environmental strategies that would assist Ontario in the years ahead. The significant job losses and turmoil in the manufacturing, agriculture, mining, tourism and other sectors has impacted across Ontario and new thinking and strategies are needed now.
- Noted that the Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of Lambton County Council will be cancelled. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 12:30 pm.

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