

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF  
LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL**

**February 7, 2009**

Lambton County Council was in session in the Council Chambers, Wyoming, Ontario, at 1:00 p.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present except M. Bradley and J. Foubister.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

Delegations

#1: MacDougall/Kirkland: That we invite the following delegations, within the Bar, to speak to County Council concerning the report by the Hay Group regarding the Small Community Hospital Emergency Department Study:

- a) Ralph Ganter, Senior Director – Planning & Integration – Erie St. Clair LHIN;
- b) Mary Pat Gleeson and Rosanne Orcutt – Charlotte’s Task Force for Rural Health;
- c) Dr. Enoch Daniel – Petrolia Physicians, Jessica and McKinlay Rose, and James Wright;
- d) Health Care Coalition;
- e) Jenn Burnham and Shirley Roebuck – Chatham-Kent Health Alliance Sydenham Campus;
- f) Roger Mailloux – CEE Hospital Foundation.

Carried.

Correspondence to Receive and File

2-16-09 A letter from Mr. Garry McDonald, Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce, dated February 3, 2009, asking that Mr. Bob Bailey, M.P.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding, do everything possible to ensure rural health care does not erode in Lambton County. Mr. McDonald states that the proposed CEE site ER change outlined in the Hay report has potential to create a domino effect on health care that would make much of Lambton County communities unsustainable. The Chamber of Commerce believes that the Hay Report must be closely reviewed.

#2: Perry/McGugan: That correspondence 2-16-09 be received and filed.

Carried.

### Information Report

#### Information Report dated February 7, 2009 Regarding the Hay Group Report Recommendations – Impact on EMS

#3: MacDougall/McCharles: That the information report dated February 7, 2009 regarding the Hay Group Recommendations – Impact on EMS, be received and filed.

Carried.

### Report to Council

#### Report dated February 6, 2009 Regarding the Small Community Hospital Emergency Department Study

#4: Napper/McCharles: That Lambton County Council hereby call for the Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) to reject the recommendations within the Small Community Hospital Emergency Department Study, authored by the Hay Group Health Care Consulting, at the earliest occasion, the LHIN meeting scheduled for February 24, 2009, and that all three hospital locations in said study, continue operating as full service hospitals with 24/7 Emergency Departments and also to make the necessary enhancements to provide these programmes and services within the hospitals;

That the Doctors of CEE Hospital receive confirmation from LHIN of a long term commitment to emergency service in Petrolia on the same date fore mentioned; and further;

That this resolution be circulated to all appropriate parties including the Premier, the M.P.s and M.P.Ps, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Erie St. Clair LHIN and Bluewater Health.

Carried.

### By-Laws

#5: Jamieson/Kirkland: That By-Law #11 of 2009, as circulated, be read a first and second time.

Carried.

#6: Bilton/Gillis: That By-Law #11 of 2009, as circulated, be read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned.

Time: 3:45 p.m.

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Jim Burns  
Warden

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Linda Creaghe  
County Clerk  
General Manager, Corporate Services