

MINUTES
COMMITTEE A.M.
(Infrastructure & Development Services/Social & Health Services)

January 21, 2009

A meeting was held at the County Building at 9:00 a.m. on the above date.

Present

Chair B. MacDougall, Warden Jim Burns. Members: S. Arnold, G. Perry, G. Minielly, Wm. Bilton, T. Case and M. Bradley. Also Ms. A. Gillis, Deputy Warden; Mr. J. Kutyba, General Manager, Infrastructure and Development Services; Mr. K. Dick, General Manager, Social and Health Services and Mr. R. G. Van Horne, Chief Administrative Officer.

Absent

J. Foubister.

INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION

Delegations

Mr. Gary Northcott, Director of Engineering and Transportation Division, Municipality of Chatham-Kent, and Mr. Sheldon Parsons spoke to the Committee regarding the through-truck issue being experienced by the residents of Margaret Avenue in the community of Wallaceburg.

Information Reports

#1: Bradley/Minielly: That the following information reports for the Infrastructure and Development Services Division be received and filed:

- a) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Emergency Management Monthly Report; and,
- b) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding Planning and Development – Work In Progress.

Carried.

Reports Requiring a Motion

Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Restriction of Trucks on County Roads

#2: Bradley/Perry:

- a) That County Council endorse, in principle, the draft truck study report recommendations as presented by the Truck Study Sub-Committee.

- b) That an open house be held in the Wyoming Administration Building to present the draft report to the public and interested groups for their review and comment.
- c) That a final report from the Truck Study Sub-Committee reflecting the comments received at the open house as well as other sources be presented to County Council for its consideration.

Carried.

SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

Correspondence to Receive and File

CSD 2-11-09 A letter from the Ministry of Health Promotion, dated December 5, 2008, informing that the Government of Ontario is moving forward as part of its Poverty Reduction Strategy, with an expansion of the Children in Need of Treatment (CINOT) program to improve oral health among Ontario's low income families and their children. Effective January 1, 2009, the CINOT program will provide dental care for children and teens age seventeen (17) and under, up from the current maximum eligibility age of fourteen (14). The program will cover emergency treatment and will also be introducing general anaesthetic coverage.

#3: Burns/Bilton: That correspondence CSD 2-11-09 be received and filed.

Carried.

SS 2-12-09 A resolution from the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, dated December 15, 2008, advising that it petition the Ministry of Community and Social Services to request a review and appropriate adjustment of the recommended rates for indigent funerals on behalf of CMSM's across the Province and that the Ministry of Community and Social Services amend the current policy to provide financial assistance to cover funeral expenses for all needy individuals, regardless of their age or whether or not they are receiving support through Ontario Works or the Ontario Disability Support Program, at the time of death.

Carried.

#4: Burns/Bradley: That the Committee support the resolution from the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, to petition the Ministry of Community and Social Services to request a review and appropriate adjustment of the recommended rates for indigent funerals on behalf of CMSM's across the Province and that the Ministry of Community and Social Services amend the current policy to provide financial assistance to cover funeral expenses for all needy individuals, regardless of their age or whether or not they are receiving support through Ontario Works or the Ontario Disability Support Program, at the time of death.

Carried.

Information Reports

#5: Bradley/Perry: That the following information reports for the Social and Health Services Division be received and filed:

- a) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding a Report on the Well-Being of Lambton County's Young Children;
- b) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Child Care Program for Aboriginal Children – Update;
- c) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Emergency Shelter – Update;
- d) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Special Needs Resource Services – Update; and,
- e) Information Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding the Ontario Women's Directorate - WOMEN Workshop.

Carried.

Reports Requiring a Motion

Report dated January 21, 2009 Regarding Healthy Babies Healthy Children – Program Review

#6: Bradley/Gillis: That staff be directed to include in the 2009 draft budget for Council consideration, an additional 1.0 FTE Children's Services Supervisor.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Re: 2009 Budget Deliberations

#7: Burns/Bradley: That budget deliberations start on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., with the full Council present and continue on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. if necessary, for the balance of matters not yet addressed.

Carried.

Re: Special Council Meeting

#8: Case/Bradley: That a special meeting be called by the Warden, inviting Mr. Gary Switzer, Chief Executive Officer, Erie St. Clair LHIN, and senior representatives from the local hospitals, to discuss health care issues (the report on emergency room restructuring and funding issues as they relate to local hospitals), concerning hospitals in the County.

Carried.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Building.

Time: 10:50 a.m.

Bev MacDougall
Chair

Ronald G. Van Horne
Secretary