

**MINUTES**  
**LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL**

**March 3, 2010**

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.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

#1: Gillis/MacDougall: That the Warden declare that County Council go in-camera to discuss matters subject to solicitor-client privilege, as well as a matter concerning labour relations and employee negotiations.

Carried.

Open Session

The Warden declared that County Council go back into open session.

Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session dated February 3, 2010

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

Carried.

The County Clerk noted that there was one resolution to report from the Closed Session meeting of February 3, 2010 as follows:

**(A) From the Committee P.M. Minutes dated January 20, 2010:**

**"CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION**

**#17: Boushy/Perry: That the Committee recommend to County Council that the in-camera information report dated January 20, 2010 regarding the Arbitration Award - ONA MGM and ONA NLL/LMV, be received and filed.**

**Carried."**

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

Carried.

Delegations

#4: Foubister/Boushy: That we invite Mr. Miles Vanni, Executive Director, Inn of the Good Shepherd, within the Bar, to provide County Council with an overview of the current uses of social services such as food banks and soup kitchens in the community and the impact of the economic crisis on the agencies.

Carried.

## Minutes

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010 were presented.

#5: MacDougall/McCharles: That the Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

## Correspondence to Receive and File

3-11-10 A memorandum from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, dated February 3, 2010, advising that 2010 marks the fifth anniversary of the Long Standing Service Program - the Ministry's initiative to honour Municipally-elected officials with at least twenty-five (25) years of service. The Ministry is requesting assistance in bringing forward the names of eligible Councillors. The following are the nomination criteria: i) 25 years or more of service on Municipal Council(s) as of December 1, 2009 (not necessarily consecutively); and, ii) currently serving on Council in the nomination year (nominees may have service on Council in more that one Municipality). Completed forms are to be mailed or faxed to the Ministry's Municipal Services Office by March 31, 2010.

3-12-10 A letter from the Municipal Engineers Association, dated November 2009, advising that 2009 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Annual Workshop. MEA is a professional organization of fulltime municipal staff licensed to practice engineering in Ontario, working together to develop and share both experiences and best practices in the delivery of essential services to citizens. To celebrate the occasion, MEA has published a book of its history entitled "Sharing the Pride".

3-13-10 A Members Advisory from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), dated February 11, 2010, concerning important information on the March 31st, 2011 deadline for federally-funded stimulus projects. The Federal Government has now negotiated funding agreements with all Provinces and Territories, allocated virtually all of its stimulus money and partnered with Municipalities on most stimulus projects. The Federal Government has said that it will not change the deadline for municipal infrastructure projects, but has significantly reduced the financial risk posed by the deadline and has agreed to pay its full share of any project costs incurred before the stimulus deadline, regardless of whether the entire project is complete at that point. Now the priority for all orders of government is to create as many jobs and complete as many projects as possible during the next thirteen (13) months.

3-14-10 A Members Advisory from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), dated February 12, 2010, providing additional information on the Canada - U.S. Agreement on Buy America.

3-15-10 A memorandum from the City of Kingston, dated February 2, 2010, advising of its resolution and requesting support to encourage all citizens to donate to recognized charitable and humanitarian organizations rushing to help in relief efforts to Haiti. The City of Kingston is also requesting that the Federal Government be encouraged to support the growing initiative to provide complete debt forgiveness to Haiti.

3-16-10 A letter from the County of Huron, dated January 21, 2010, requesting endorsement of its resolution to support its local Huron Business Development Corporation (HBDC) to deliver the following message to its Federal representatives:

1. To date, investments through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario have made a significant contribution to Huron County's economic recovery.
2. However, the Huron County economy is not "out of the woods yet" and further federal investments are required.
3. The Huron Business Development Corporation has a proven track record of cost-effective delivery of federal program dollars and therefore the enhanced economic stimulus funding should be re-instated via the Huron Business Development Corporation.
4. In this way, the Government of Canada can be confident that the entrepreneurs, workers and communities of Huron County share fully in our nation's economic recovery.

3-18-10 A News Release from the Lambton County Trails Committee, dated February 16, 2010, advising that the \$20,000.00 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) will help the Lambton County Regional Trails Committee "map" its future and increase use of the local trail system. Kelley Elliott, Lambton County Regional Trails Committee member, says the goal is to develop a County-wide trail map so residents and visitors will enjoy cycling, walking Lambton's network of regional trails and visiting local recreational sites. The funding will also be used to upload Global Positioning System (GPS) locates and to generate interest by linking the Lambton County trail system, conservation areas and ecological/historical landmarks on the internet with Canada Trails and Ontario Trails Council internet sites.

3-19-10 A letter from the City of Stratford, received February 17, 2010, advising that it will be hosting the 57th Annual OSUM Conference and Trade Show. This year's theme is "Much Ado About Small Urban Municipalities". The conference will be Wednesday, May 5th to Friday, May 7th, 2010. The letter is an official invitation to be a delegate at the conference.

#6: McGugan/Perry: That the above correspondence items be received and filed.

Carried.

### Correspondence

3-20-10 A resolution from The Corporation of the Town of Gravenhurst, dated February 2, 2010, requesting endorsement of its resolution to petition the Premier of Ontario to take the necessary steps, in a timely manner, to amend the Ombudsman Act to include hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman.

#7: McGugan/Perry: That the County of Lambton support the request from the Town of Gravenhurst to petition the Premier of Ontario to take the necessary steps, in a timely manner, to amend the Ombudsman Act to include hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman.

Carried.

### Items Not Requiring a Motion

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

- a) Land Division Committee Minutes dated February 2, 2010; and,
- b) Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Minutes of the Board of Directors dated December 10, 2009 as well as the General Manager's Report of December 2009.

### Committee Minutes

Mr. S. Arnold presented the Committee A.M. minutes dated February 17, 2010.

#8: Arnold/Foubister: That the minutes of the Committee A.M. dated February 17, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Warden J. Burns presented minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Standing Committees dated February 17, 2010.

#9: Gillis/Jamieson: That the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Standing Committees dated February 17, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Ms. C. Jamieson presented the Committee P.M. minutes dated February 17, 2010.

Re: Motion #3 - Information Report on the Application for Prequalification, 993 Maxwell Street, Sarnia (to add Wellington Brothers to the list of approved bidders)

#10: Minielly/McGugan: That Wellington Builders be added to the list of approved bidders.

A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Dave Boushy, was requested by Councillor Don McGugan, on motion #10 of this day's minutes.

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

**Yeas - 16; Nays - 18.**

Motion defeated.

#11: Jamieson/Napper: That the Committee P.M. minutes dated February 17, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Re: Motion #5 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010 - Truck Study (Amended Wording in Option 1)

#12: McCharles/Gilliland: That motion #5 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010, be reconsidered.

Carried.

#13: Minielly/Gillis: That Rule 26.1 of the Rules of Procedure be suspended to allow the reconsideration of motion #5 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010 regarding the Truck Study and the amended wording in Option 1.

Carried.

#14: McCharles/Gilliland: That motion #5 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated February 3, 2010 regarding the Truck Study and the amended wording in Option 1, be rescinded.

Carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Carolyn Jamieson spoke to County Council regarding the inaccuracies in recent media reports regarding the proposed move by the Federal Government out of the Lambton Shared Services Centre.

Councillor Dick Kirkland thanked County Council for its support during the difficult time after the passing of Point Edward volunteer firefighter Gary Kendall.

Councillor Lonny Napper inquired as to when the truck traffic would be removed from Lakeshore Road.

### **By-Laws**

#15: MacDougall/Jamieson: That By-Laws #11 and #12 of 2010, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#16: Jamieson/MacDougall: That By-Laws #11 and #12 of 2010, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

### **Adjournment**

#17: Bilton/Foubister: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next meeting of County Council be to held on Wednesday, March 17, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. for Budget deliberations.

Carried.

Time: 2:20 p.m.

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Jim Burns  
Warden

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Stéphane Thiffeault  
County Clerk  
General Manager, Corporate Services