MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 1:00 PM Middlesex County Building 399 Ridout Street North, London

Members Present

Warden Warwick

Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

Councillor Smith Councillor DeViet Councillor Brennan Councillor Ropp

Councillor Cornelissen Councillor Mayhew

Councillor Vanderheyden

Councillor Richards
Councillor Elliott

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

Warden Warwick called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

Warden Warwick addressed County Council as follows:

"Good afternoon. I am sure you are as relieved to see March on the calendar as I am. The gradual lifting of restrictions we have seen over the last week is very welcome on many levels. As always the restrictions are being lifted not because the pandemic is over, or not in response to a loud minority but they are being lifted because a large majority of people have acted responsibly and because of their actions, the chance of transmission has lowered.

On Friday Feb 25 the Middlesex London Emergency Services Headquarters were honoured with a visit from the premier .Premier Ford had come to London for an announcement but had also asked for some time with the paramedics to express his appreciation for a job well done.

He met with over 40 emergency services personnel and made time to chat and thank them for their tireless work over the last two years.

Premier Ford received a warm welcome and had many selfies taken with the crews at the headquarters.

The work done by our emergency services in partnership with Middlesex London Health Unit and CERV volunteers has proved vital for getting shots in the arms of people who may not have had the opportunity otherwise. The number of vaccines given has passed the 8000 mark and is a great testament to the value of working together.

As for the events that are taking place in the Ukraine at the moment we watch in horror at residents taking shelter, residents being displaced or fleeing.

For those of you are Ukrainian or who have friends here in the county who are from the Ukraine or have family in the Ukraine, now is a good time to reach out and make sure they are doing ok. It's important that they feel secure and supported in our communities. I know the county has seen our municipalities support by collecting goods, flying flags or lighting our parks to help us deal with our bewilderment that this is happening once again in this day and age.

I know that we all hoping that some type of resolution comes soon, history has taught us that in the past many innocent people will be involved.

I know that Canada as history has also taught us, we will always welcome refugees and provide a safe haven. This is what fighting for freedom really looks like."

2. PROVISION FOR DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

4. MINUTES

4.a Minutes of the February 22, 2022 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Richards Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the Minutes of the February 22, 2022 meeting of County Council be approved as presented.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT Council adopt the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole as set out in the Minutes of the February 22, 2022 meeting.

Carried

4.b Minutes of the December 2, 2021 Inaugural Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Cornelissen Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT the Minutes of the December 2, 2021 Inaugural Meeting of County Council be approved as presented.

Carried

- 4.c Closed Meeting Minutes
 - 4.c.1 Minutes of the Closed portion of the November 9, 2021 Visioning Session of Council
 - 4.c.2 Minutes of the Closed portion of the November 9, 2021 Meeting of Council
 - 4.c.3 Minutes of the Closed portion of the November 23, 2021 Meeting of Council
 - 4.c.4 Minutes of the Closed portion of the January 11, 2022 Meeting of Council
 - 4.c.5 Minutes of the Closed portion of the February 8, 2022 Meeting of Council

Moved by Councillor Ropp Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT the Closed Meeting Minutes from the November 9, 2021 Visioning Session and the November 9, 2021, November 23, 2021, January 11, 2022 and February 8, 2022 regular meetings of County Council be approved as presented.

Carried

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

None.

6. ENQUIRIES OR NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

7. REPORTS

None.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.a Albert Street Road Widenings Confirmation

Report from Wayne Meagher, County Barrister & Solicitor.

Moved by Councillor Elliott Seconded by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

THAT County Council pass a By-law designating Parts 1 and 4 as in 33R-939, Part 1 and 2 as in 33R-556, and Parts 8 and 19 as in Plan 33R-19731 as municipal public highway, with PINS removed.

Carried

9. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Ropp sent his condolences to the family of Past Warden Charles Corbett. CAO Rayburn offered condolences and gave remarks on behalf of County Administration.

Councillor Vanderheyden recognized International Women's Day and thanked the Women's Caucus as well as her male colleagues on Council for their support.

10. BY-LAWS

- 10.a #7153 A BY-LAW to dedicate lands as Municipal Public Highway (Albert Street Road Widening)
- 10.b #7154 A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the March 8, 2022 Meeting of Council

Moved by Councillor Richards Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT the by-laws be given first and second reading.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Mayhew Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT the by-laws be given third and final reading.

Carried

11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillor Smith Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT Council convene the Committee of the Whole at 1:19 pm.

Carried

- 11.a DELEGATIONS / REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS None.
- 11.b ACTION ITEMS
- 11.c CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS
 - 11.c.1 General Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$84,259.51
 - 11.c.2 Planning Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$12,076.43
 - 11.c.3 Economic Development Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$17,000.25
 - 11.c.4 Social Services Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$642,287.62
 - 11.c.5 Information Technology Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$96,844.19
 - 11.c.6 MLPS Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$1,205,593.67
 - 11.c.7 Roads Payables January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$993,046.03

11.c.8 Strathmere Lodge Payables - January 28, 2022 to February 24, 2022 totalling \$216,926.40

11.c.9 Electronic Payments - February 2022 totalling \$2,343,031.01

Moved by Councillor Ropp Seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Items 11.c.1 to 11.c.9 be received for information.

Carried

11.c.10 Rural Education Task Force Report - March 2022

Moved by Councillor Cornelissen Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT County Council support, in principle, the recommendations of the Rural Education Task Force as set out in Item 11.c.10

Carried

Staff was directed to forward the recommendation to the Rural Education Task Force and the Thames Valley District School Board.

- 11.c.11 MLHU Board February 2022 Meeting Summary
- 11.c.12 AMO Policy Updates February 17 and 25, 2022 and March 1, 2022
- 11.c.13 Letter from Minister of Long-Term Care re: Additional COVID-19 Prevention and Containment Funding
- 11.c.14 Planning Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 17, 2022

Moved by Councillor Richards Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT Items 11.c.10 to 11.c.14 be received for information.

Carried

12. INQUIRIES

None.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.a Closed Session

Moved by Councillor Ropp Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT the next portion of the meeting be closed at 1:28 pm in order to consider advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege and labour relations and employee negotiations pursuant to subsection 239(2)(f) and (d) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001.

Carried

13.a.1 Advice Subject to Solicitor Client Privilege

Report from Wayne Meagher, County Barrister & Solicitor and David Samuels, Legal Counsel.

13.a.2 Union Negotiations Update

Report from Bill Rayburn, CAO and Jessica Ngai, Human Resources Manager.

Moved by: Councillor Elliott Seconded by: Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 2:07 pm.

Carried

13.b Next Meetings

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

Tuesday, October 25, 2022 Tuesday, November 8, 2022 Thursday, December 8, 2022 - 4:00pm (Inaugural) Tuesday, December 13, 2022

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14.a Thursday, June 23, 2022 - Middlesex County Warden's Charity Golf Tournament

Moved by Councillor Elliott Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and Council resume its regular meeting at 2:08 pm.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor DeViet Seconded by Councillor Smith

That the meeting adjourn at 2:08 p.m.

Carried

Marci Ivanic, County Clerk

Alison Warwick, Warden