

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 13, 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 WARDEEN'S REMARKS**

Warden Warwick called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Warden Warwick addressed Council as follows:

*"Here we are at our first meeting in September. Although it's not fall yet, the nights are getting longer and the mornings start out cold and quickly heat up in the afternoon. All over the county fall fairs are completing their preparations to celebrate coming back from either scaled down fairs or cancellations. I encourage everyone to get out and support your local fair and don't forget our regional fair held in London, many great memories have been created at the Western Fair.*

*Last weekend, it was my pleasure to attend the Middlesex 4H show in Ilderton. I was able to congratulate 4H members and leaders on the 100th year of Middlesex 4H activity. It was exciting to see all of the clubs gathering together for the opening ceremonies. Everyone was represented from all over the county. Dairy, Beef, Sheep, swine, horses and life skills were all present. Lots of familiar faces, but many new ones as well. 4H is not only affordable for our youth but accessible for both rural or urban residents. 4H often is our youth's first*

*experience with a formal meeting structure. Clubs elect officers and meetings are run using Roberts parliamentary rules. Governance is learned and through that experience many of our 4H youth graduate to be elected officials or employed at jobs that are associated with different levels of government.*

*On September 1st, one notable past 4H member returned to Middlesex as a guest speaker at the OFA regional meeting.*

*Senator Rob Black spoke to the audience about his journey to the Senate. During this discussion he explained the structure and role of the Senate. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn more and to ask him questions about his experiences.*

*Senator Black made it clear that he felt that 4H was a large part of his early development and led him ultimately to the Rural Institute of Ontario and later to the Senate.*

*I truly think that the 4H motto that "learn to do by doing " is valuable advice and even more the 4H pledge that asks members to Use their Head to clearer thinking, Their Hearts to greater loyalty, Their Hands to larger service, and their Health to better living, is a great pledge to live by...simple but impeccable advice.*

*So when you are out visiting our local fairs this fall take some time and look for 4H exhibits and members. You will be impressed by the work that our youth are achieving."*

**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 August 30, 2022 meeting of County Council**

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT the Minutes of the August 30, 2022 meeting of County Council be approved as presented; and

THAT the recommendations made by the Committee of the Whole as set out in the Minutes of the August 30, 2022 meeting be adopted.

Carried

- 4.b Closed Meeting Minutes of the August 30, 2022 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor DeViet  
Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT the Closed Meeting Minutes of the August 30, 2022 meeting 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 Flooring Replacement (Approved Capital Budget Project)

Report from Brent Kerwin, Strathmere Lodge Administrator

Moved by Councillor Ropp  
Seconded by Councillor Vanderheyden

THAT a by-law be introduced at the September 13, 2022 meeting of County Council to:

- a. Authorize and approve the Agreement between Strathmere Lodge and Adias Impex Ltd. for the replacement of flooring at the Lodge; and
- b. Authorize the Warden and the Clerk to execute the Agreement.

Carried

- 8.b Federal Electoral Boundaries - Proposed Redistribution Plan

Report from Bill Rayburn, CAO

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson  
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT staff be directed to submit a Public Hearing Participation Form to the Ontario Commission to enable the Warden to make representations regarding the impact of the proposed redistribution on residents of Middlesex County at the public hearing being held October 28, 2022 at the Ivey Spencer Leadership Centre.

Carried

**9. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**10. BY-LAWS**

10.a #7191 - A BY-LAW to Authorize an Agreement with Adias Impex Ltd.

10.b #7192 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the September 13, 2022 meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Richards  
Seconded by Councillor Ropp

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

Carried

Moved by Councillor Smith  
Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

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

Carried

**11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

THAT the Committee of the Whole convene at 1:16 pm.

11.a PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS / REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS

11.a.1 Hearing for Application for Council Exemption for Clearing Woodlands; Peter Jennen; 1052 Longwoods Road; Part Lots 22 and 23 Range 1 North; Municipality of Southwest Middlesex.

Public Hearing to commence at 2:00pm.

11.a.2 Orientation

Report from Bill Rayburn, CAO

THAT the verbal report on Orientation be received for information.

11.b ACTION ITEMS

11.b.1 Thames Centre Official Plan Amendment No. 26; 5026367 Ontario Inc., File No. 39-TC-OPA26

Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT Amendment No. 26 to the Thames Centre Official Plan be approved and that staff be directed to circulate a Notice of Decision as required by the Planning Act, and that the Notice of Decision indicate that no written submissions were received concerning this application.

Carried

11.b.2 Middlesex Centre Official Plan Amendment No. 56; Walker; File No. 39-MC-OPA56

Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development

Moved by Councillor Brennan

Seconded by Councillor Ropp

THAT Amendment No. 56 to the Middlesex Centre Official Plan be approved and that staff be directed to circulate a Notice of Decision as required by the Planning Act, and that the Notice of Decision indicate that no written submissions were received concerning this application.

Carried

11.b.3 2023 Middlesex County Council and Library Board Meeting Calendar

Report from Marci Ivanic, Legislative Services Manager/Clerk

Moved by Councillor Elliott

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT the Library Board meetings for the remainder of 2022 be scheduled for September 27, 2022, November 15, 2022 and December 6, 2022;

THAT the 2023 County Council and Library Board meeting schedule be approved as presented;

THAT if required, a special County Council meeting may be called by the Warden; and

THAT upon approval by County Council, copies of the 2023 Meeting Calendar be circulated to County Councillors and local municipalities.

Carried

#### 11.b.4 Consolidated Highway By-law

Report from Chris Traini, County Engineer

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the proposed County Highway By-law (Appendix A) and the proposed By-law to amend Parking By-law #6208 (Appendix B) be introduced at the September 27, 2022 meeting of County Council.

Carried

#### 11.c CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

11.c.1 General Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$79,092.34

11.c.2 Economic Development Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$8,144.72

11.c.3 ITS Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$296,648.25

- 11.c.4 Library Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$25,388.83
- 11.c.5 MLPS Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$826,517.32
- 11.c.6 Planning Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$6,996.69
- 11.c.7 Roads Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$305,446.49
- 11.c.8 Strathmere Lodge Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$148,413.09
- 11.c.9 Social Services Payables August 12, 2022 to September 1, 2022 totaling \$611,433.42

Moved by Councillor Elliott  
Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

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

Carried

- 11.c.10 County/City Liaison Committee Report - June 22, 2022
- 11.c.11 Middlesex Centre Official Plan Amendment No. 46; 1571145 Ontario Limited; File No. 39-MC-OPA46; Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal
- 11.c.12 Final Approval of Cirrus Developments (Timberview), Plan of Subdivision; File No. 39T-SC2001, Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc
- 11.c.13 AMO Policy Update - August 19, 2022
- 11.c.14 AMO Policy Update - August 29, 2022

Moved by Councillor Richards  
Seconded by Councillor DeViet

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 Burghardt-Jesson  
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the Closed Session at to consider personal matters about an identifiable individual, and labour relations or employee negotiations in accordance with subsections 239(2)(b) and (d) be deferred to the September 27, 2022 meeting.

Carried

13.a.1 MLPS Job Description Review

THAT Committee rise from Closed Session.

13.b Rise and Report

None.

Moved by Councillor Ropp  
Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT Committee of the Whole recess at 1:40pm until 2:00pm.

Carried

**14. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS / REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS**

Moved by Councillor Richards  
Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Committee of the Whole convene a Public Hearing pursuant to Middlesex County Woodlands By-law #5738 at 2:01 pm.

Carried

14.a.1 Hearing for Application for Council Exemption for Clearing Woodlands; Peter Jennen; 1052 Longwoods Road; Part Lots 22 and 23 Range 1 North; Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

14.a.1.1 Staff Report



Report from Mark Brown, Woodlands Conservation Officer/Weed Inspector

14.a.1.2 Applicant's Submissions

Mr. Peter Jennen offered submissions in support of his application.

14.a.1.3 Questions from the Committee and Decision

Moved by Councillor Mayhew  
Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT That the application by Peter Jennen, 1052 Longwoods Road, Part Lots 22 and 23 Range 1 North, in the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex, for council exemption for clearing woodlands for conversion to agriculture be granted subject to the following conditions:

- a) The applicant will be required to complete the replanting to the satisfaction of the woodland conservation officer and sign a replanting agreement.
- b) Payment of a refundable security deposit of \$1,824.00 to be held by the County of Middlesex until the Woodland Conservation officer is satisfied the newly planted area is fully stocked and 'free to grow'.
- c) A minimum of 300 native (Carolinian forest zone species) trees 30-40cm tall bare root or potted transplant stock of appropriate seed source/provenance be planted and maintained across the replanting area, until such time as they are 'free to grow'.
- d) Any tree clearing must occur outside the bird nesting season per the Migratory Bird Convention Act (MBCA).
- e) Any tree clearing must occur outside the bat roosting season.
- f) The applicant to provide the Woodland Conservation Officer with a report signed off by a Registered Professional Forester documenting fulfillment of the conditions applied to this exemption and confirming that the replanted trees are 'Free to

Grow'.

g) The landowner is solely responsible for compliance with species at risk legislation both federal and provincial.

h) The landowner is solely responsible for compliance with Lower Thames River Conservation Authority regulations and permitting requirements which may be applicable.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Richards  
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the Public Hearing adjourn at 2:12 pm and that the regular session of Committee resume.

Carried

**15. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

14.a Warden's Banquet - November 5, 2022

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

That the meeting adjourn at 2:13 pm.



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Marci Ivanic, County Clerk



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Alison Warwick, Warden