

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 1:00 PM
Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London

Members Present Warden Burghardt-Jesson
 Councillor Smith
 Councillor DeViet
 Councillor Brennan
 Councillor Ropp
 Councillor Cornelissen
 Councillor Mayhew
 Councillor Vanderheyden
 Councillor Richards
 Councillor Warwick
 Councillor Elliott

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

Warden Burghardt-Jesson called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. The Warden addressed Council as follows:

"Today has been a great day. With a visioning session, our MLPS recognition, the staff appreciation time and now this hybrid meeting...today it feels like all is right in the world and that we really are 'back to normal.'

As municipal leaders, I do not need to tell you about the importance of voting. A week from now, we will know what our new federal government looks like. It is not only a right as Canadians that we have to vote, it is a privilege. I know like me, you have likely been disheartened by what we have seen on this election trail. From the negative vitriol that we have seen and heard from some candidates, to the arrogant and childish exchanges during debates and to the ugliness of vulgarities and violence carried out by attendees at political rallies...I shake my head in disappointment. I grew up in a political family and was always involved in door knocking, sign crews (the best crew to work on!!!), corner waving and always attended rallies and all candidates meetings. Those campaigns were exciting, tense, spirited but most of all respectful. Sure there was debate not only

between candidates but volunteers as well, but I also remember sharing beers together with “the other side.” As fellow elected officials, we must demand better from our fellow elected and from our voters. There are many important issues on the table and plenty of opportunity to debate those. However, I would encourage you or any voter watching our meeting today to ask your candidates how they will do better. As a Canadians we have prided ourselves in how we carry ourselves on a world stage, how others view our sense of sensibility. Let that not be lost on us. With less than a week to go, you can still push the candidates for answers. We are fortunate in the 2 ridings that represent Middlesex County to have candidates from all parties who are educated, informed and passionate about community and country. I want to thank those that have put their name forward...as we all know that is a difficult thing to do. To anyone watching this meeting make sure you take the time to get to know your candidates and to vote. To be able to take part in the democratic process is an envy to many across the world. Do not miss out on that privilege.”

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

None.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

4. MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Richards
Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Minutes of the August 10, 2021 meeting of County Council be approved as presented.

Carried

5. DEPUTATIONS

5.a 1:15pm - KPMG 2020 Audit Report

Report from Ian Jeffreys, CPA, CA, Lead Audit Engagement Partner, KPMG.

6. ENQUIRIES OR NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

7. REPORTS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.a Appointment to the Western Fair Association Board of Governors

Report from Warden Cathy Burghardt-Jesson.

Moved by Councillor Smith

Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT County Council approve the appointment of Councillor John Brennan to the Western Fair Association Board of Governors for the 2021-2022 year, commencing November 2021, and that the Western Fair Association be advised accordingly.

Carried

8.b Municipal Modernization Project - Development Tracking Solution

Report from Chris Baily, ITS Manager and Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning.

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Ropp

THAT Middlesex County Council accept the selection committee's recommendation to award Cloudpermit as the successful respondent of the Development Tracking Solution RFP for a total cost of \$85,000.00.

Carried

8.c Request for Quotation - Tandem Truck with Snow Plow Equipment

Report from Chris Traini, County Engineer.

Moved by Councillor Vanderheyden

Seconded by Councillor Warwick

THAT the bid submitted by Team Truck Centres (London) for the supply of one Freightliner 114SD Detroit Diesel tandem truck complete with winter maintenance equipment at a cost of \$290,240.00 (plus HST) each be accepted.

Carried

8.d Request for Quotation - Triaxle Truck with Snow Plow Equipment

Report from Chris Traini, County Engineer.

Moved by Councillor Cornelissen

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT the bid submitted by Team Truck Centres (London) for the supply of one Freightliner 114SD Detroit Diesel triaxle truck complete with winter maintenance equipment at a cost of \$347,268.00 (plus HST) each be accepted.

Carried

9. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Vanderheyden provided an update on FCM's work in the lead up to the federal election. Councillor Vanderheyden has been having discussions with communities across the Country and working to ensure that issues such as infrastructure, climate change, and housing are at the forefront. The FCM Board will be meeting next week and the Sustainable Communities Conference will be held October 19-21st.

Councillor Ropp thanked the County works crews, North Middlesex works crews and Hydro One for all the work done to clean up following the severe storm in North Middlesex on Sunday evening.

Councillor Warwick updated Council on her interview with the CBC on September 7th, 2021. Councillor Warwick spoke to five different CBC affiliates across Ontario on behalf of the South Central Ontario Region Economic Development Group with respect to the community transportation program.

10. BY-LAWS

10.a #7129 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the September 14, 2021 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Elliott

Seconded by Councillor Vanderheyden

THAT first and second reading of the By-law be given.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Brennan
Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT third and final reading of the By-law be given.

Carried

11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

11.a DELEGATIONS / REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS

None.

11.b ACTION ITEMS

11.b.1 2020 Surplus Report

Report from Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services/Treasurer.

Moved by Councillor Warwick
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the year end surplus from the 2020 operating accounts in the amount of \$2,686,050.95 (\$2,140,608.91 (County) +\$545,442.04 (Library)) be transferred to the tax rate stabilization reserve.

Carried

11.b.2 2020 Consolidated Financial Statements

Report from Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services/Treasurer

Moved by Councillor Richards
Seconded by Councillor Warwick

THAT the 2020 Consolidated Financial Statements of the Corporation of the County of Middlesex be accepted; and

THAT the 2020 financial statements be posted on the County's website.

Carried

11.b.3 2020 Trust Financial Statements

Report from Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services/Treasurer

Moved by Councillor Mayhew
Seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT the 2020 Trust Financial Statements of the Corporation of the County of Middlesex be accepted; and

THAT the 2020 Trust Financial Statements be posted on the County's website.

Carried

11.b.4 2020 Middlesex-London Emergency Medical Services Authority Financial Statements

Report from Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services/Treasurer.

Moved by Councillor Ropp
Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT the 2020 Middlesex-London Emergency Medical Services Authority Financial Statements be approved.

Carried

11.b.5 2020 Library Financial Statements

Report from Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services/Treasurer.

Moved by Councillor Warwick
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the Middlesex County Library Board Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2020 be approved; and

THAT the 2020 surplus be applied as follows: \$335,000 towards the 2021 library operating costs, \$665,000 to the County 2021

budget and the remaining \$545,442 transferred to the County Tax Rate Stabilization reserve.

Carried

11.b.6 2021 (Revised) and 2022 Middlesex County Council and Library Board Meeting Calendars

Report from Marci Ivanic, Legislative Services Manager.

Moved by Councillor Elliott

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT the revised 2021 County Council and Library Board Meeting Calendar and the 2022 County Council and Library Board Meeting Calendar 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 revised 2021 and 2022 Meeting Calendars be circulated to County Councillors and local municipalities.

Carried

11.b.7 Strathmere Lodge Staff Educator Contract Renewal

Report from Brent Kerwin, Strathmere Lodge Administrator.

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Warwick

THAT the contract between Strathmere Lodge and Lena Hodgins for the provision of Staff Educator services be renewed for the period Sept. 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022; and

THAT the Lodge Administrator be authorized to sign the agreement.

Carried

11.b.8 Newbury Official Plan Amendment No. 13; McNaughton Dodge Chrysler Inc.; File No. 39-New-OPA13

Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning.

Moved by Councillor Warwick

Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT Amendment No. 13 to the Newbury 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.c CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

11.c.1 General Administration Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$394,941.19

11.c.2 Planning Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$6,521.06

11.c.3 Social Services Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$388,094.65

11.c.4 Strathmere Lodge Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$208,245.94

11.c.5 Road Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$1,669,859.97

11.c.6 MLPS Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$1,154,975.07

11.c.7 ITS Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$248,880.46

11.c.8 Economic Development Payables August 1 to September 3, 2021 totalling \$40,322.56

11.c.9 Electronic Payments - August 2021 totalling \$2,032,646.24

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Ropp

THAT Items 11.c.1 through 11.c.9 (Payables) be received for information.

Carried

- 11.c.10 Strathmere Lodge Census Report for July 2021
- 11.c.11 Final Approval of Clear Skies, Plan of Subdivision Phase II; File 39T-MC1401
- 11.c.12 Letter from Good Roads re: Annual Managing Winter Operations Workshop
- 11.c.13 AMO Policy Update - September 1, 2021
- 11.c.14 AMO Policy Update - August 23, 2021
- 11.c.15 AMO Policy Update - August 19, 2021
- 11.c.16 Letter re: Appointment of CEO by London Middlesex Community Housing
- 11.c.17 Final Approval Ridge Crossing Plan of Condominium; File No. 39T-LB-CDM2101
- 11.c.18 Municipal Modernization Program - Third Intake

Moved by Councillor Richards
Seconded by Councillor Warwick

THAT Items 11.c.10 through 11.c.18 be received for information.

Carried

12. INQUIRIES

None.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.a County Council Meetings

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Tuesday October 26, 2021

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Tuesday, December 2, 2021 at 4:00pm - Inaugural

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 (*Change subject to approval)

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14.a Thursday, September 16, 2021 - Warden's Charity Golf Tournament

14.b Saturday, November 27, 2021 - Warden's Banquet

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Vanderheyden


Seconded by Councillor Warwick

That the meeting adjourn at 2:12 p.m.

Carried



Marci Ivanic, County Clerk



Cathy Burghardt-Jesson, Warden