

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 1:00 PM
Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London

Members Present Warden DeViet
 Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
 Councillor Brennan
 Councillor Clarke
 Councillor Grantham
 Councillor Mayhew
 Councillor McMillan
 Councillor McGuire
 Councillor Ropp
 Councillor Smibert

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

Warden DeViet called the meeting to order at 1:00pm and addressed Council as follows:

We acknowledge that the land we stand upon today is the traditional territory of the Attawandaron (Add-a-won-da-run), Anishinabeg (Ah-nish-in-a-beg), Haudenosaunee (Hoden-oh-show-nee), and Lunaapeewak (Len-ahpay-wuk) peoples who have long standing relationships to the land, water and region of Southwestern Ontario. The local First Nation communities of this area include Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, Oneida Nation of the Thames First Nation, and Munsee-Delaware Nation.

We acknowledge the treaties that are specific to this area: Treaty 2 (McKee Purchase), Treaty 3 (Between the Lakes Purchase), Treaty 6 (London Township Purchase), Treaty 21 (Long Woods Purchase) and Treaty 29 (Huron Tract Purchase). We value the significant contributions, both in the past and the present of local and regional first nations of Turtle Island.

We acknowledge historic and ongoing injustices that indigenous peoples endure in Canada and we affirm our commitment to honouring indigenous voices, nations and cultures, and to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect.

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

None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Clarke
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

4.a Minutes of the January 16, 2024 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Mayhew
Seconded by Councillor McMillan

THAT the Minutes of the January 16, 2024 Meeting of County Council be approved as presented; and

THAT the recommendations made by Committee of the Whole as set out in the Minutes of the January 16, 2024 Meeting be adopted.

Carried

5. NEW BUSINESS

None.

6. INQUIRIES

None.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

8. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

None.

9. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillor McGuire
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT Committee of the Whole convene at 1:03 pm.

Carried

9.a DELEGATIONS

9.b REPORTS FROM COUNTY OFFICERS

9.b.1 2024 Financial Outlook

Report from Bill Rayburn, CAO

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT the 2024 Financial Outlook report be received for information.

Carried

9.c ACTION ITEMS

9.c.1 Middlesex County Industrial Assessment

Report from Bill Rayburn, CAO

Moved by Councillor Clarke
Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Middlesex County Industrial Assessment Report be received for information;

AND THAT staff be directed to bring forward a by-law to adopt the Middlesex County Loan Program for Council consideration;

AND THAT staff be directed to consult with lower-tier municipalities on the implementation of an Industrial Land Community Improvement Support Program with the sole benefit being Tax Incremental Financing and report back to Council.

Carried

9.c.2 2023 Joint Annual Accessibility Status Report

Report from Paul Shipway, Acting Legislative Services Manager /
County Clerk

Moved by Councillor McMillan
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT the 2023 Joint Annual Accessibility Status Report be
approved and posted on the County website.

Carried

9.c.3 Delegation of Duties By-Law

Report from Paul Shipway, Acting Legislative Services Manager /
County Clerk

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT the Delegation of Duties Report be received for information;

AND THAT staff be directed to bring forward a Delegation of Duties
By-law for Council consideration.

Carried

9.c.4 Procedural By-Law

Report from Paul Shipway, Acting Legislative Services Manager /
County Clerk

Moved by Councillor Ropp
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT the Procedural By-law Report be received for information;

AND THAT staff be directed to provide notice of Council intention to
pass a Procedural By-law in accordance with the provisions of the
Notice By-law;

AND THAT staff be directed to bring forward a Procedural By-law
for Council consideration.

Carried

9.c.5 Strathroy-Caradoc Official Plan Amendment No. 16; 599 Albert Street; File No. 39-SC-OPA16

Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development

Moved by Councillor Clarke
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT Amendment No. 16 (File No. 39-SC-OPA16) to the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc 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 all written submissions received on the application were considered; the effect of which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision

9.c.6 Proposed Plan of Condominium; Municipality of Thames Centre; File No. 39T-TC-CDM2301; Putnam Road Holdings Industrial Condominium

Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development

Moved by Councillor McMillan
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT the proposed Plan of Condominium (File No. 39T-TC-CDM2301) be granted draft plan approval subject to conditions and that a Notice of Decision be circulated as required by the Planning Act and that the Notice of Decision indicate that all written submissions received on the application were considered; the effect of which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision.

Carried

9.d CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

9.d.1 Electronic Payments - January 2024

9.d.2 General Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$750,218.77

- 9.d.3 ITS Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$121,228.48
- 9.d.4 Library Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$127,196.50
- 9.d.5 MLPS Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$1,596,625.90
- 9.d.6 Planning Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$8,665.87
- 9.d.7 Roads Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$2,639,015.33
- 9.d.8 Social Services Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$2,423,166.72
- 9.d.9 Economic Development Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$87,076.66
- 9.d.10 Strathmere Lodge Payables December 1, 2023 to December 20, 2023 totaling \$409,482.11
- 9.d.11 General Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$724,899.95
- 9.d.12 ITS Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$205,522.35
- 9.d.13 Library Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$95,049.60
- 9.d.14 MLPS Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$1,557,503.99
- 9.d.15 Planning Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$16,518.00
- 9.d.16 Roads Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$1,257,472.64
- 9.d.17 Social Services Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$973,783.58
- 9.d.18 Economic Development Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$10,278.98

- 9.d.19 Strathmere Lodge Payables December 21, 2023 to January 25, 2024 totaling \$387,896.68
- 9.d.20 Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal of Middlesex Centre Official Plan Amendment No. 62: HGLW Holdings; File No. 39-MC-OPA62
Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development
- 9.d.21 Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal of Strathroy-Caradoc Official Plan Amendment No. 14: General Official Plan Update; File No. 39-SC-OPA14
Report from Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development
- 9.d.22 Strathmere Lodge Monthly Census Report for December 2023
Report from Brent Kerwin, Strathmere Lodge Administrator
- 9.d.23 Letter from AORS - Skills Development Fund dated January 8, 2024
Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
Seconded by Councillor Clarke
THAT staff be directed to issue a letter of support to AORS correspondence item 9.d.23.
Carried
- 9.d.24 Board of Health Update - December 2023
- 9.d.25 Board of Health Update - January 2024
- 9.d.26 Letter from MECP - Application for Approval of Waste Disposal Sites, Technical Amendment to ECA dated January 23, 2024
- 9.d.27 Letter from MNRF - Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act regulation changes for special projects and well security dated January 23, 2024
- 9.d.28 Letter from MTO - Middlesex County Connect dated January 17, 2024
- 9.d.29 Letter from MTO - Community Transportation Grant Program Additional Funding Approval dated February 1, 2024

9.d.30 Letter from Municipality of Thames Centre - Appointments to the new Middlesex Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Detachment Board

9.d.31 Minutes of the January 16, 2024 Meeting of the Library Board

9.d.32 Minutes of the January 17, 2024 Meeting of the Middlesex Accessibility Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor Grantham
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT Items 9.d.1 to 9.d.22 and 9.d.24 to 9.d.32 be received for information.

Carried

9.e CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Ropp
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT Committee of the Whole convene in Closed Session at 2:08 pm in order to consider personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose in accordance with subsections 239(2)(b) and (f).

Carried

9.e.1 Human Resources

Moved by Councillor McMillan
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT the Committee of the Whole Rise from Closed Session at 3:09 pm.

Carried

9.f RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
Seconded by Councillor Grantham

THAT Committee of the Whole rise at 3:22 pm.

Carried

10. BY-LAWS

10.a #7261 - A BY-LAW to authorize a Boundary Line Highway and Highway Maintenance Agreement with the County of Oxford

10.b #7262 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the February 13, 2024 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Brennan

Seconded by Councillor Ropp

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

Carried

Moved by Councillor Grantham

Seconded by Councillor McGuire

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

Carried

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.a Next Meetings

11.b Annual Community Planning and Facility Collaboration Opportunities Meeting between TVDSB and Middlesex County

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Ropp

Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:23 p.m.

Carried

Paul Shipway, County Clerk

Aina DeViet, Warden