

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, February 27, 2025

9:00 AM

Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London

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

Members Absent Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS**

Warden Ropp called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

M. Ivanic, County Clerk read the Land Acknowledgement 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 Smibert
Seconded By Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

4. CLOSED SESSION

Moved By Councillor Clarke
Seconded By Councillor Grantham

THAT the next portion of the meeting be closed at 9:03am in order to consider:

4.a. - Human Resources Matter. A personal matter pertaining to identifiable individuals, including municipal employees, and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, pursuant to subsections 239(2)(b) and (f) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Carried

4.a Human Resources Matter

4.b Rise and Report from Closed Session

Moved By Councillor Grantham
Seconded By Councillor Smibert

THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 10:07am.

Carried

Warden Ropp reported that legal advice was received with respect to a Human Resources Matter.

5. BY-LAWS

5.a #7320 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the February 27, 2025
Special Meeting of County Council

Moved By Councillor Smibert
Seconded By Councillor McMillan

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

Carried

Moved By Councillor Mayhew
Seconded By Councillor McGuire

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

Carried

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor McMillan
Seconded By Councillor McGuire

THAT the meeting adjourn at 10:10am.

Carried

Marci Ivanic, County Clerk

Brian Ropp, Warden