MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, June 13, 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

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

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

M. Ivanic read the Land Acknowledgment 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 Grantham

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

4. CLOSED SESSION

Moved By Councillor McMillan Seconded By Councillor Mayhew

THAT the next portion of the meeting be closed at 9:02am in order to consider the following:

4.a - CAO Recruitment - A personal matter pertaining to identifiable individuals, including municipal employees in accordance with subsection 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended.

Carried

4.a CAO Recruitment

Presentation from Jon Stungevicius, Waterhouse Executive Search.

5. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Moved By Councillor Smibert Seconded By Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 11:25am.

Carried

Warden Ropp reported that direction was provided to Waterhouse Executive Search regarding the CAO recruitment.

6. BY-LAWS

6.a #7339 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the June 13, 2025 Special meeting of County Council

Moved By Councillor Grantham Seconded By Councillor McGuire

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

Carried

Moved By Councillor Brennan Seconded By Councillor Smibert

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

Carried

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Brennan Seconded By Councillor Grantham

THAT the meeting adjourn at 11:31am.

Carried

Marci Ivanic, County Clerk	Brian Ropp, Warden