

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 1:00 PM
Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London
Virtual Meeting

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| Members Present | Warden Warwick Councillor Burghardt-Jesson Councillor Smith Councillor DeViet Councillor Brennan Councillor Ropp Councillor Cornelissen Councillor Mayhew Councillor Richards Councillor Elliott |
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| Members Absent | Councillor Vanderheyden |
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

Warden Warwick called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Warden Warwick addressed Council as follows:

"On February 11, 2022 I attended the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus AGM and was happy to join the economic development committee for this term.

As well as dealing with the usual agenda items such as elections ,financial reports, one of the presentations was especially interesting .

This presentation was the culmination of collaborative research and was over a year in the making.

The report titled "Western Ontario Workforce Strategy" had 4 goals

- 1. workforce retention and attraction, collective efforts to attract population and workers to the region*
- 2. Leveraging existing population, aligning post secondary education with industry needs*

3. *Attainable housing ,providing innovative and compelling options to meet demand*
4. *Employer recruitment and retention supporting regional employers with their Human Resources practices*

I strongly urge you to read through this document. There are many aspects that tie into many projects and concerns we are dealing with daily in the county.

Some of the subtitles are as follows

- *“building a welcoming inclusive community is crucial to attracting and retaining skilled and motivated newcomers”*
- *“workforce attraction and retention and access to housing are closely aligned”*
- *“the post secondary student population of 135,000 needs to be a primary recruitment ground for employers”*
- *“100,000 young people in the region will reach working age over the next five years”.*

Just those four subtitles alone are a great conversational jumping off points for us as Councillors, as administrators and our residents of the County of Middlesex.

This report was created through federal and provincial funding, and is a great example of collaboration between regional governments and our senior partners.

I congratulate the members of the WOWC and the creators of this report.

I encourage you to read the report and use the information provided for guidance throughout the post pandemic recovery.

The report and supporting documents can be found at www.workforsestrategy.wowc.ca”

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 February 8, 2022 meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Richards
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT the Minutes of the February 8, 2022 meeting of County Council be approved as presented; and

THAT Council adopt the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole as set out in the Minutes of the February 8, 2022 meeting.

Carried

5. DEPUTATIONS

None.

6. ENQUIRIES OR NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

7. REPORTS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.a MLPS 2022 Response Time Performance Plan Compliance

Report from Adam Bennett, Deputy Chief of Operations, MLPS.

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson
Seconded by Councillor Ropp

THAT the Middlesex-London Paramedic Service Response Time Performance Plan results be received for information; and

THAT the Chief, Middlesex London Paramedic Service be directed to submit the annual performance report to the Ontario Ministry of Health, no later than March 31, 2021.

Carried

8.b Tender for Hot Mix Asphalt Contract M-B-22

Report from Ryan Hillinger, Engineering Supervisor

Moved by Councillor Brennan
Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT the bid of Coco Paving Inc. in the amount of \$4,944,000.00 before taxes for Contract M-B-22 for the supply of hot mix asphalt be accepted.

Carried

8.c Tender for Cold In Place Asphalt Recycling Contract M-C-22

Report from Ryan Hillinger, Engineering Supervisor.

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Cornelissen

THAT the bid of Lavis Contracting Co. Limited in the amount of \$475,290.00 before taxes for Contract M-C-22 for the supply of cold in place asphalt recycling be accepted.

Carried

8.d Request for Waiver of Land Dedication Requirement: Quadro Communications Broadband Project

Report from Chris Traini, County Engineer.

Moved by Councillor Smith

Seconded by Councillor Ropp

THAT the request from Quadro Communications to County Council for the waiving of the land dedication condition along the retained parcel along County Road 23 (Highbury Ave N) along Lot 9, Concession 7 be denied.

Carried

8.e Long-term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) – Annual Declaration of Compliance

Report from Brent Kerwin, Strathmere Lodge Administrator.

Moved by Councillor Richards

Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT Schedule E (Declaration of Compliance) of the Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) be approved, and that Warden Warwick be authorized to sign Schedule E on behalf of the County of Middlesex.

Carried

8.f Albert Street Road Widenings Confirmation

Report from Wayne Meagher, County Barrister & Solicitor.

Moved by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT County Council pass the By-law designating Parts 1 and 4 as in 33R-939, Part 1 and 2 as in 33R-556, and Parts 8 and 19 as in Plan 33R-19731 as a municipal public highway.

Carried

9. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Elliott updated Council with respect to a grant received from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to host a County-wide Election School from 9:00am to 1:00pm on March 26, 2022 at the Komoka Wellness Centre. The event is open to anyone interested in running in the upcoming election.

Councillor DeViet thanked the elected officials and staff who have already been promoting the event.

10. BY-LAWS

10.a #7151 - A BY-LAW to dedicate lands as a Municipal Public Highway (Albert Street Road Widening)

10.b #7152 - A BY-LAW to Confirm the Proceedings of the February 22, 2022 meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Elliott

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

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cornelissen

Seconded by Councillor DeViet

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

Carried

11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillor Richards

Seconded by Councillor Elliott

THAT Council convene the Committee of the Whole at 1:33 pm.

Carried

11.a DELEGATIONS / REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS

11.a.1 Municipal Modernization Program - Intake 3 Funding Update

Report from Chris Bailey, Manager of ITS.

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Burghardt-Jesson

THAT the report be received as information relating to Intake 3 of the Municipal Modernization Program.

Carried

11.b ACTION ITEMS

11.b.1 Award of Hot Mix Asphalt Paving & Cold Asphalt Recycling Contracts

Report from Ryan Hillinger, Engineering Supervisor.

Moved by Councillor Ropp

Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT the 2022 construction schedule for capital road works proceed as indicated in the budget.

Carried

11.c CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

11.c.1 Letter from Minister Clark re Modernization Funding - January 25, 2022

11.c.2 Letter from Minister Clark re Modernization Funding - January 25, 2022

11.c.3 Economic Development Winter 2022 Newsletter

11.c.4 Report of the Ontario Housing Affordability Task Force

11.c.5 AMO Policy Update - February 8 and 15, 2022

11.c.6 Middlesex County 2021 Census Population and Dwellings

11.c.7 Letter from TVDSB Chair re Trustee Distribution - January 31, 2022

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT Items 11.c.1 to 11.c.7 be received for information.

Carried

12. INQUIRIES

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.a Next Meetings

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 - Budget Meeting

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

Thursday, December 8, 2022 - 4:00pm (Inaugural)

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moved by Councillor Elliott

Seconded by Councillor Richards

THAT Committee of the Whole rise at 1:38 pm.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Elliott

Seconded by Councillor DeViet

That the meeting adjourn at 1:38 pm.

Carried

Marci Ivanic, County Clerk

Alison Warwick, Warden