

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 1:00 PM
Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London

Members Present	Warden Burghardt-Jesson Councillor Brennan Councillor Clarke Councillor DeViet Councillor Grantham Councillor Mayhew Councillor McMillan Councillor McGuire Councillor Ropp
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Members Absent	Councillor Smibert
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND WARDEN'S REMARKS

Warden Burghardt-Jesson 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.

It is hard to believe that we are now in the middle of August! I am sure you are like me and you ask yourself where did the summer go? With AMO upon us this coming weekend, the leisurely days of summer are becoming fewer and farther between! I do hope that you all have had opportunity to take some time off and recharge. Once seen as a luxury... summer holidays, in my view it is now a necessity. Recharging is resetting and looks after not only physical needs but more importantly our mental health needs. I have actually scheduled putting my phone and laptop away for a day or 2 at a time and I cannot believe the difference it has made as my schedule fills up! If you have not done so, please consider scheduling that time for yourself.

There is still time to visit all the wonderful places around Middlesex County that count on tourism support. I have had opportunity to be out to almost every municipality and there is no shortage of food, music, fruits, vegetables and active activities to keep everyone busy. During the pandemic we focused on staying home and supporting local. That need to support and keep it local has not gone away. Celebrate the local business in your communities. It's these local businesses that make Middlesex the strong and vibrant community we are!

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

Warden Burghardt-Jesson declared Pecuniary Interest on Item 9.a.12 of the July 18, 2023 Agenda – Final Approval of Rosewood Plan of Subdivision; Phase Two, File 39T-TC1701, Thames Centre

Family member works for the company responsible for the engineering.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor McMillan

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 July 18, 2023 Meeting of County Council

- 4.b Minutes of the July 25, 2023 Meeting of County Council
- 4.c Closed Session Minutes of the July 25, 2023 Meeting of County Council

Moved by Councillor Grantham
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT the Minutes of the July 18, 2023 and July 25, 2023 Meetings of County Council and the Minutes of the July 25, 2023 Closed Session 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 July 18, 2023 Meeting be adopted.

Carried

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.a ACTION ITEMS

5.a.1 Update on the Key Recommendations from MLPS Strategic Plan Implementation

Report from Neal Roberts, Chief, MLPS

Moved by Councillor DeViet
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT the update on the Key Recommendations from the MLPS Strategic Plan Implementation be received for information.

Carried

5.a.2 2022 Middlesex-London Paramedic Service Annual Report

Report from Neal Roberts, Chief, MLPS

Moved by Councillor Ropp
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT the 2022 Middlesex-London Paramedic Service Annual Report be received for information.

Carried

6. INQUIRIES

None.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

8. COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

None.

9. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillor Clarke

Seconded by Councillor McMillan

THAT Committee of the Whole convene at 1:23pm.

Carried

9.a DELEGATIONS

9.a.1 Strathroy Dental Clinic and the Ontario Seniors' Dental Care Program

Presentation by Dr. Alex Summers, Medical Officer of Health, MLHU, Donna Kosmack, Manager, Oral Health, MLHU and Warren Dallin, Manager, Procurement and Operations, MLHU

Moved by Councillor Brennan

Seconded by Councillor DeViet

THAT Committee of the Whole recess at 1:36pm.

Carried

Moved by Councillor DeViet

Seconded by Councillor Mayhew

THAT Committee of the Whole reconvene at 2:05pm.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Clarke
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT the Strathroy Dental Clinic and the Ontario Seniors' Dental Care Program presentation be received for information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Grantham
Seconded by Councillor McMillan

THAT Committee of the Whole rise at 2:06pm.

Carried

Moved by Councillor McMillan
Seconded by Councillor Brennan

THAT Agenda items Section 9b - Section 12 be referred to the September 12, 2023 regular meeting of Council.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Mayhew
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

THAT the meeting adjourn at 2:08pm.

Carried

Paul Shipway, County Clerk

Cathy Burghardt-Jesson, Warden