

**MINUTES**  
**LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL**

**February 12, 2014**

Lambton County Council was in session in Council Chambers, Wyoming, Ontario, at 8:00 a.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present except J. Foubister, J. McCharles and B. Weber.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: Councillor Davis-Dagg and Councillor Bilton declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Correspondence CC 02-01-14 being a letter from Susan Sheridan, CMO, Deputy CAO Clerk-Treasurer of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards to The Honourable Kathleen Wynne regarding wind turbine development and the Notice of Motion presented by Councillor Napper as both Councillors own lands on which windmills are or may be located.

Delegations

#1: Boushy/Gillis: That we invite the delegations within the Bar to speak to County Council.

Carried.

The residents of North Lambton Lodge with Jane Joris, Administrator and Jay van Klinken, Communications and Marketing Co-ordinator created a music video for the Auxiliary OANHSS Region 1 Conference held in May of 2014. They wanted Council to see it prior to other members of the community but due to technical difficulties, they will present at the May 7, 2014 County Council meeting.

Dan Davidson, President, Ontario Beekeepers Association was seeking support from Lambton County Council to request a meeting with Premier Wynne to discuss the economic viability of the beekeeping industry in Ontario. Mr. Davidson asked for the County's support so this meeting will take place and the viability of beekeeping in Ontario can be preserved.

#2: McGugan/Marriott: That Lambton County Council support the Ontario Beekeepers Association and request that Premier Wynne meet with the organization to listen to their concern.

Carried.

Judith Morris, President and CEO of Lambton College and Spencer Dickson, Executive Dean of Academic Affairs addressed Council regarding a contribution to the proposed construction of a new Centre for Health Education and Sustainable Care (CHESC).

#3: Arnold/Gillis: That the grant of \$10 million in 10 equal annual payments for the building and equipping of Lambton College's new "Centre for Health Education and Sustainable Care Building Fund" commencing after the County's obligation for hospital funding commitment is completed and the College receives funding commitments for the balance of the CHESC build costs be referred to budget.

Defeated.

#4: Bradley/Boushy: That the request of a \$5 million contribution to the proposed construction of a new \$30 million Centre for Health Education and Sustainable Care (CHESC) be referred to budget.

Carried.

Robert Wilks, Corporate Manager, Information Technology presented a brief update on the ultra-broadband project. The Western Ontario Wardens Caucus (WOWC) has recognized that broadly available and affordable robust ultra-broadband (synchronous speeds of 100Mb/s or more) connectivity is fundamental to the continued relevance and future prosperity of communities in Southwestern Ontario. To prosper, communities must compete in the globalized economy. The first step in creating a plan for the region was to completely understand the current environment. The WOWC hired the firm of Campbell Paterson Communications to complete the feasibility study on the subject which was completed in 2013 and have been adopted by the Caucus.

Ms. Marlene Wood, General Manager, Tourism Sarnia-Lambton (TSL) provided an update to County Council regarding TSL's activities and plans.

Mr. George Mallay, General Manager, Sarnia-Lambton Economic Partnership (SLEP) provided an update to County Council regarding SLEP's activities and plans.

### Minutes

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated November 27, 2013 and the Special Joint Meeting of Lambton County Council and City of Sarnia Council (Open Session) minutes dated January 27, 2014 were presented.

#5: Bradley/MacKenzie: That the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated November 27, 2013 and the Special Joint Meeting of Lambton County Council and City of Sarnia Council (Open Session) minutes dated January 27, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Correspondence to Receive and File

CC 02-01-14 A letter addressed to Premier Kathleen Wynne from Susan Sheridan, CMO, Deputy CAO Clerk-Treasurer of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards dated December 6, 2013 regarding a resolution passed at its regular meeting held on December 3, 2013 to support the Government's desire to limit Industrial Wind Turbine (IWT) Projects.

CC 02-20-14 A letter to Warden Todd Case from Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care dated December 24, 2013 stating that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care will provide the Lambton Board of Health up to \$20,922 in additional one-time funding for the 2013-14 funding year to support projects related to the delivery of mandatory and related public health programs and services in the community.

CC 02-21-14 A letter to Warden Todd Case from Mr. Michael Coteau, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration dated December 2, 2013 advising of a grant in the total amount of \$23,925 for the Municipal Immigrant Information Online program. The grant is to recognize the County of Lambton's commitment to attract and welcome newcomers to the community through the program.

CC 02-22-14 Correspondence from various municipalities and organizations advising that their Council has passed a resolution supporting the position of the County of Lambton concerning the requalification of Municipal Building Officials. Those include:

Township of Tudor and Cashel, Gilmour, ON  
Town of Lakeshore, Belle River, ON  
The City of Barrie, Barrie, ON  
Municipality of Huron East, Seaforth, ON  
City of Thorold, Thorold, ON  
The Corporation of the City of Oshawa, Oshawa, ON  
Township of Georgian Bluffs, Owen Sound, ON  
The Corporation of the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan, Keene, ON  
The Township of Malahide, Aylmer, ON  
North Algona Wilberforce Township, Eganville, ON  
Township of North Glengarry  
Joint Building Committee, Sundridge, ON  
Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan, Mattawan, ON  
Municipality of South Bruce, Teeswater, ON  
Township of Elizabethtown - Kitley, Addison, ON  
Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, ON  
Corporation of the Township of Central Frontenac, Sharbot Lake, ON  
Township of Mapleton, Drayton, ON

Township of O'Connor, Kakabeka Falls, ON  
Corporation of the Town of Cavelton Place, Cavelton Place, ON  
Township of Selwin, Bridgenorth, ON  
Township of Adelaide Metcalfe, Strathroy, ON  
Township of Nipigon, Nipigon, ON  
Town of East Gwillimbury, Sharon, ON

CC 02-23-14 A letter to all Municipalities from Mayor Bill Vrebosch, Municipality of East Ferris dated October 16, 2013 addressed to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario regarding the Small, Rural, and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund. Mayor Vrebosch feels that the qualification for the funding and its distribution is not fair and equitable. Mayor Vrebosch respectfully requests that the announcement be rescinded and that either the method advanced by AMO to distribute funds through the program or something comparable to it be implemented instead.

CC 02-24-14 A letter to all municipalities and MPAC dated December 13, 2013 from Terry Horner, CAO/Clerk of the Township of Mulmur advising of the passing of a motion outlining their concerns regarding the timing and loss of assessment/tax monies for the Township, Upper Tier and School Boards. Mr. Horner is asking for serious consideration and a response to this motion.

CC 02-25-14 A letter to the Honorable David Oraziotti, Minister of Natural Resources from Rene P. Berthiaume, Warden, United Counties of Prescott and Russell dated December 10, 2013 regarding an amendment to the Aggregate Resources Act for peat moss extraction. Council adopted a resolution requesting the Ministry of Natural Resources to amend the Aggregate Resources Act to ensure that peat-moss extractors are subject to the same criteria as other aggregate extractors and is asking for Lambton County Council to consider the same.

CC 02-26-14 An email from Kathryn Lawson, Deputy Clerk, Town of Fort Frances dated January 9, 2014 regarding a resolution passed recently at Council and is seeking consideration from all other municipalities. The resolution is asking that Premier Wynne support the proposed billing model change or a model for policing that ensures an equitable distribution of cost sharing for all municipalities and unorganized territories in Ontario.

CC 02-26-14(a) A letter to The Honourable Kathleen Wynne and all Municipalities from Bill Vrebosch, Mayor, East Ferris Municipality dated January 6, 2014 regarding the proposed billing formula suggested for increased OPP billing costs. Mayor Vrebosch feels this method is unacceptable and needs to be reconsidered. He is requesting a meeting to discuss further options and strategies.

CC 02-26-14(b) An email from Donna Wilson, Clerk, Town of Tillsonburg to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario regarding a resolution recently passed by their Council regarding the proposed OPP billing model asking that the principles outlined at the Community engagement sessions be strongly adhered to and implemented in January of 2015.

CC 02-30-14 A letter to The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario and all Municipalities from Mayor Bill Vrebosch dated January 6, 2014 regarding the suggestion by the Finance Minister to implement a 10 cent per litre tax increase on gasoline to provide funding for transit in the Greater Toronto Area. Mayor Vrebosch believes that the increase should be regionalized and implemented on municipalities in the GTA area, not rural Ontario municipalities.

#6: McGugan/Marriot: That County Council support correspondence CC 02-26-14 and CC 02-26-14(b).

Tabled.

Councillor Arnold requested a recorded vote on Motion #7 of this day's minutes.

\* #7: Bradley/Gillis: That correspondence CC 02-26-14 and CC 02-26-14(b) be tabled until the next meeting of County Council to allow for further consideration.

Carried.

#8: Veen/Napper: That correspondence CC 02-01-14, CC 02-20-14, CC 02-21-14, CC 02-22-14, CC 02-23-14, CC 02-24-14, CC 02-25-14, CC 02-26-14(a) and CC 02-30-14 be received and filed.

Carried.

#### Correspondence from Member Municipalities

CC 02-29-14 A letter to Warden Todd Case from Duncan McTavish, Clerk, Township of Enniskillen dated January 8, 2014 advising that Enniskillen Township Council has passed a resolution supporting the position of the County of Lambton concerning the requalification of Municipal Building Officials.

#9: Gillis/Bilton: That correspondence CC 02-29-14 be received and filed.

Carried.

#### Information Report

#### **CAO**

Motion #7 was lifted from the table and correspondence was received and filed. See LCC (OS) Minutes of March 5, 2014

Information Report dated February 5, 2014 Regarding the Bayside Centre

#10: Arnold/Veen: That the Information Report dated February 5, 2014 regarding the Bayside Centre be received and filed.

Carried.

Items Not Requiring a Motion

The following items were presented to County Council for its information:

- a) Minutes of the County of Lambton Community Development Committee dated September 20, 2013.
- b) Minutes of the Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Board of Directors meeting dated June 18 and August 29, 2013.

Committee Minutes

Mr. K. Marriott presented the Committee A.M. Minutes dated January 15, 2014.

#11: Marriott/Davis-Dagg: That the Committee A.M. Minutes dated January 15, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Mr. I. Veen presented the Committee P.M. Minutes dated January 15, 2014.

#12: Bradley/Davis-Dagg: That Council move in the direction recommended by Motion #12 of the Committee P.M. Minutes of January 15, 2014 regarding the report dated January 15, 2014 concerning the Ombudsman's Report and In-Camera Records, to record the in-camera debate and that all in-camera meetings be held in the main Council Chambers.

Tabled.

#13: Arnold/Gilliland: That the report dated January 15, 2014 regarding the Ombudsman's Report and In-Camera Records be tabled for a further report from staff regarding the implementation of recording in-camera debates and that all in-camera meetings be held in the main Council Chambers.

Carried.

#14: Veen/Gilliland: That the Committee P.M. Minutes dated January 15, 2014 be accepted as amended.

Carried.

### Notice of Motion

Councillor Napper gave Notice of Motion at the LCC (OS) meeting dated November 27, 2013 regarding a proposed declaration to be an unwilling host for wind turbines.

#15: Napper/Marriott: That Lambton County be an unwilling host for wind turbines.

Carried.

Councillor Bradley gave Notice of Motion at the LCC (OS) meeting dated November 27, 2013 regarding advocacy for permanent funding for Community Homelessness Prevention Program Transitional Funding.

#16: Bradley/MacDougall: That Lambton County Council advocate for permanent funding for Community Homelessness Prevention Program Transitional Funding.

Carried.

Councillor's Veen and McGugan provided Notice of Motion to be discussed at the March 5, 2014 meeting of County Council regarding the development of a new Woodlands Conservation By-Law.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### Retirement Celebration

A retirement party for Councillor Kirkland will be held on April 24, 2014. An invitation with more details will be issued to all present.

#### By-Laws

#17: Veen/Marriott: That By-Laws #1 to #7 of 2014, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#18: MacKenzie/Gilliland: That By-Laws #1 to #7 of 2014, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

#### Adjournment

#19: Veen/MacKenzie: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next regular meeting of County Council to be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 with the In-Camera session to commence at 1:00 p.m.

Carried.

Time: 10:55 a.m.

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Todd Case  
Warden

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David Cribbs  
County Clerk