

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

**May 8, 2014**

Lambton County Council was in session in Council Chambers, Wyoming, Ontario, at 9:00 a.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present; One seat vacant.

Council was informed by the Clerk that Councillor Gillis will be taking a leave of absence up to and including June 12, 2014.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: Councillor Davis-Dagg declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the Infrastructure & Development Services Division correspondence item PW 05-10-14 and the report dated April 16, 2014 regarding Renewable Energy Projects - Update as the Councillor owns lands on which industrial wind turbines are or may be located.

**In-Camera Committee Room #3**

**#1:** McCharles/Foubister: That the Warden declare that County Council go in-camera to discuss the following:

- a) a matter to be considered for the purpose of receiving advice and providing instructions and directions to officers and employees, pertaining to labour relations involving CUPE 2926, which will include information pertaining to identifiable individuals. Additionally, instruction and directions shall be given to staff regarding the potential disposition of real property located within the geographic boundaries of the City of Sarnia. Legal advice pertaining to all of the foregoing shall be received from the County Solicitor, including any communications necessary for these purposes, pursuant to sections 239(2)(d), 239(2)(e) and 239(2)(g) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Carried.

**Open Session**

The Warden declared that County Council go back into Open Session. Council then reconvened at 9:15 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

**Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session dated May 8, 2014**

**#2:** Veen/Bilton: That Council rise and report.

Carried.

The County Clerk noted that there were no resolutions to report from the Closed Session meeting.

#3: Napper/MacKenzie: That Council adopt the report of the Closed Session meeting.

Carried.

#### Delegations

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

Carried.

Chris Doyle, General Manager, Long-Term Care spoke and introduced a video made by The North Lambton Lodge "sing song" volunteers who wrote a song about the Home several years ago. Late last year the residents, volunteers and staff decided they might like a video of the song. It will be shown during special days being held at the Home and for the Auxiliary OANHSS Region 1 Conference being held at the Lodge in May, 2014.

Ms. Deb Hook, Project Manager, Withdrawal Management Centre, provided County Council with an update on the progress made so far with the Centre.

Ms. Melissa Hewitt and Xander Hewitt spoke to County Council regarding the suggested closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery, explaining the effects the closure would have on them as well as outlining other options, considerations and avenues to explore before a closure assessment is finalized.

Ms. Kassandra Campbell, a student at Coronation Park Day Nursery for 10 years, addressed County Council about her time at the day care and what she took from that experience.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Dawn Williams addressed the closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery with County Council. They felt as though the staff report lacked information that would allow County Council to make a fair and informed decision.

Ms. Terri Lynn Sullivan and her daughter Tayleena addressed County Council regarding the recommendation to close Coronation Park Day Nursery. The staff at Coronation Park Day Nursery has always been supportive and concerned for her children and herself.

Ms. Shannon Baarschers, a retired Early Childhood Educator from Coronation Park Day Nursery addressed County Council with her concerns regarding the closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery.

Mr. Scott Crawford, taxpayer, former employee and spouse of an employee of Coronation Park Day Nursery addressed County Council regarding the closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery.

Ms. Crystal Hyde, parent, spoke to County Council regarding the closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery.

Ms. Leslie Tyler, parent, addressed County Council regarding the closure of Coronation Park Day Nursery.

Ms. Janice McGuire, Executive Director, Generations Day Care Inc., discussed the outcome for the other children, families and RECE in the community if the decision is made to keep Coronation Park Day Nursery open.

#### Recess

The Warden declared that Council recess at 10:50 a.m.

#### Reconvene

Council reconvened at 11:10 a.m. All members present; one seat vacant.

#### Minutes

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes dated March 5, 2014 and (Open Session) minutes dated March 19, 2014 - Budget were presented.

#5: Weber/MacKenzie: That the Lambton County Council (Open Session) and (Closed Session) minutes dated March 5, 2014 and (Open Session) minutes dated March 19 - Budget be accepted as presented.

Carried.

#### Correspondence to Receive and File

CC 05-03-14 A letter from Mr. Warren Mar, Director Legal and Legislative Services/Town Solicitor/Acting Town Clerk, dated February 21, 2014 regarding the introduction to Municipal Recall Election Legislation. The resolution adopted by Council of the Town of Aurora requested that the Government of Ontario consider the implementation of recall legislation for municipally-elected officials.

CC 05-04-14 A letter from Premier Kathleen Wynne dated March 17, 2014 relating to correspondence sent by Warden Case. The issue raised in the correspondence falls within the area of Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Employment and he or a member of his staff will provide a response.

CC 05-05-14 A letter from The Honourable Michael Coteau, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration dated March 2014 regarding the Lincoln M. Alexander Award 2014. Minister Coteau is asking for a nomination of an outstanding young person from your school or community who has demonstrated exemplary leadership in contributing to the elimination of racial discrimination in Ontario. The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2014.

CC 05-12-14 An email from Alice Murphy, Mayor of the Township of Muskoka Lakes regarding a resolution recently passed at their Council meeting of February 14, 2014. The resolution asks that the Ministry of Government Services be advised that the Land Titles Electronic Registry System contains numerous errors and should be corrected forthwith at the sole expense of the Ministry and that the Ministry also develop a funding model to ensure that landowners are not negatively financially affected by the need for title corrections.

CC 05-13-14 Correspondence from various municipalities and organizations advising that their Council has passed a resolution to support the position of the County of Lambton concerning the requalification of Municipal Building Officials:

The Corporation of the Township of Limerick, Gilmour, ON  
The Township of Greater Madawaska, Calabogie, ON  
The Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles, St.-Charles, ON  
Township of South Stormont, Long Sault, ON  
County of Lennox & Addington, Napanee, ON

CC 05-14-14 A letter received from John Wilkins, President, Lambton County Woodlot Owners Association expressing concern that County Council is considering not moving forward with the updates and revisions to the Woodlands Conservation By-Law No. 4 of 2012. The Lambton County Woodlot Owners Association is supportive of the Woodlands Conservation By-Law final draft and feel it addresses land use concerns and better defines the activities associated with agriculture and woodlands conservation and would request that Council move forward with the revised By-Law.

#6: McCharles/Boushy: That correspondence CC 05-03-14, CC 05-04-15, CC 05-05-14, CC 05-12-14, CC 05-13-14, and CC 05-14-14 be received and filed.

Carried.

CC 05-06-14 An email from The Council of The Regional Municipality of Niagara regarding a resolution that was adopted at their regular meeting held on January 16, 2014 calling on the Premier and the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to prevent an increase in hydro rates and any other rate increases from being implemented and asks that the motion be circulated to all Ontario municipalities for support.

#7: Davis-Dagg/Marriott: That County Council support correspondence CC 05-06-14 from The Regional Municipality of Niagara at their regular meeting held on January 16, 2014 calling on the Premier and the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to prevent an increase in hydro rates and any other rate increases from being implemented and asks that the motion be circulated to all Ontario municipalities for support.

Carried.

#### Information Reports

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION**

##### Information Report dated May 8, 2014 Regarding Coronation Park Day Nursery - Supplemental Information

#8: Bilton/Veen: That the Information Report dated May 8, 2014 regarding Coronation Park Day Nursery - Supplemental Information be received and filed.

Carried.

#### **CAO**

##### Information Report dated May 8, 2014 Regarding Lambton College Grant Request

#9: Foubister/Bradley: That the Information Report dated May 8, 2014 regarding the Lambton College Grant Request be received and filed.

Carried.

#### Items Not Requiring a Motion

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

- a) The County of Lambton Community Development Corporation minutes dated March 5, 2014.

### Committee Minutes

Mr. J. Foubister presented the Committee A.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014.

#10: Foubister/Marriot: That the Committee A.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Mr. B. Weber presented the Committee P.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014.

Re: Motion #12 of the Committee P.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014 regarding the report dated April 16, 2014 concerning the Coronation Park Day Nursery Review.

#11: Davis-Dagg/Bradley: That County Council give 21 days for the union, employees and parents to meet and determine if an agreement is reachable to remedy the \$1.1 million shortfall for Coronation Park Day Nursery and that a staff report of these discussions be returned to the Council on June 4, 2014.

Carried.

#12: Arnold/Foubister: That motion #12 of the Committee P.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014 regarding the report dated April 16, 2014 concerning the Coronation Park Day Nursery Review be tabled until the next Lambton County Council meeting of June 4, 2014.

Carried.

#13: Weber/Veen: That the Committee P.M. minutes dated April 16, 2014 be accepted as amended.

Carried.

### Items Tabled from Previous Meetings

#### Notice of Motion Presented Concerning the Development of a New Woodlands Conservation By-Law

#14: Foubister/Weber: That tabled motion #18 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated March 5, 2014 regarding the Notice of Motion presented concerning the development of a new Woodlands Conservation By-Law be lifted from the table.

Carried.

Councillor Arnold provided Notice of Motion to be discussed at the June 4, 2014 County Council meeting:

"That County Council and staff review the attached proposal for the Lambton County Woodlands By-Law with consideration for implementation".

#15: Arnold/Napper: That tabled motion #18 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated March 5, 2014 regarding the Notice of Motion presented concerning the development of a new Woodlands Conservation By-Law be tabled until June 4, 2014 for Council's consideration.

Carried.

### Notice of Motion

Councillor Bradley gave Notice of Motion at the March 5, 2014 Lambton County Council (Open Session) meeting requesting that County staff prepare a report to be discussed at the September County Council meeting on a Fiscal Fitness policy. The report would recommend to Council steps to reduce debt with a long term goal of eliminating County debt, building up Reserves and the development of a "pay as you go" policy for future County Councils.

\* #16: Bradley/Davis-Dagg:

b) That the Notice of Motion prepared by Councillor Bradley be approved.

c) That a staff report be brought to County Council for September 3, 2014 for further discussion.

Carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#17: Veen/Weber: That staff prepare a report concerning a Code of Conduct for Councillors.

A discussion ensued. Councillors Veen and Weber then withdrew the motion.

### Change of Date for Committee A.M. and P.M.

Councillor Arnold asked if the meeting scheduled for June 18, 2014 of Committee A.M. and P.M. could be moved one day to take place on June 17, 2014. Council agreed to the proposed change.

### By-Laws

#18: Gilliland/Davis-Dagg: That By-Laws #13 to #20 of 2014, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#19: Boushy/Arnold: That By-Laws #13 to #20 of 2014, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

#20: Arnold/Foubister: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next regular meeting of County Council to be held on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 with the In-Camera session to commence at 1:00 p.m.

Carried.

Time: 12:00 p.m.

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Todd Case  
Warden

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David Cribbs  
County Clerk  
General Manager, Corporate Services

\* The matter was referred to the Budget process for 2015 for a new council to consider. See mot. #17 of LCC (OS) minutes dated September 3, 2014.