

MINUTES
LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL

September 16, 2020

Lambton County Council was in session via electronic meeting, at 10:00 a.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present except I. Veen.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

Medical Officer of Health Update on COVID-19

Dr. Sudit Ranade, Medical Officer of Health, provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic in Lambton County and responded to questions from County Councillors with respect to same. The video stream of the meeting can be watched at the following link: <https://lambton.civicweb.net/document/93105?splitscreen=true&media=true>

Councillor Bradley requested that the following be re-circulated to the current members of County Council for information purposes:

- a) Report dated October 18, 2017 regarding - Update on Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health;
- b) Report dated August 17, 2017 regarding - Duties and Responsibilities for Board of Health Members; and
- c) Report dated August 18, 2016 regarding - Review of Public Health Governance Models.

Items Tabled from Previous Meetings

Motion #13 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 regarding Lambton Public Health Statistics on COVID-19 Cases was tabled to the September 16, 2020 Committee A.M. and P.M. (Open Session) meetings to allow for Dr. Ranade, Medical Officer of Health, Lambton County, to report on the matter. The Warden called a Special Meeting of County Council to receive Dr. Ranade's report and to discuss the tabled motion.

#1: Bradley/Arnold: That tabled motion #13 from the September 2, 2020 Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes be lifted from the table.

#2: Bradley/White: That Lambton Public Health disclose the number of COVID-19 cases in each community to the public on a weekly basis.

A recorded vote starting with Warden Weber was requested by Councillor Bradley on motion #2 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	No (3)
M. Bird	Yes (3)
D. Boushy	Yes (3)
M. Bradley	Yes (3)
A. Broad	No (1)
D. Cook	No (2)
D. Ferguson	No (1)
B. Hand	No (1)
B. Loosley	Yes (2)
K. Marriott	No (1)
S. Miller	No (2)
L. Napper	No (3)
J. Rombouts	No (2)
M. Stark	Yes (3)
I. Veen	Absent (1)
B. Weber	No (3)
B. White	Yes (3)

Yeas - 17; Nays - 19.

Defeated.

Report Requiring a Motion

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

Report dated September 16, 2020 Regarding Reporting of COVID-19 Cases in Lambton County

#3: White/Stark: That recommendation a) in Report dated September 16, 2020 regarding Reporting of COVID-19 Cases in Lambton County, be approved as amended, to sub-divide Group 1 (Sarnia and Point Edward) into smaller sub-regions of populations of approximately 20,000 people each, and that part b) in the recommendation stating "That County Council indicate acceptable geographical references to describe the three municipal groupings, so they can be appropriately referenced in Lambton Public Health's data reports", be deleted, so that the motion now reads as follows:

"That County Council adopt Option #3 as the preferred method for Lambton Public Health's reporting of COVID-19 cases throughout the County as follows:

Option #3

Report municipal numbers where, based on the judgment of the health information custodian, the population or geography is large enough to mitigate the risk of identifying individuals. Generally this would be limited to municipalities (or municipal groupings) with a population greater than 20,000. Based on the 2016 Census, three municipal groupings would satisfy this criterion: Group 1 (Sarnia and

Point Edward), with those municipalities sub-divided into sub-regions of a population of approximately 20,000 people each, Group 2 (Petrolia, Enniskillen, Brooke-Alvinston, Oil Springs, Dawn-Euphemia, and St. Clair Township), and Group 3 (Lambton Shores, Plympton-Wyoming, and Warwick)."

A recorded vote starting with Councillor Bird was requested by Councillor Stark on motion #3 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	Yes (3)
M. Bird	Yes (3)
D. Boushy	Yes (3)
M. Bradley	Yes (3)
A. Broad	Yes (1)
D. Cook	No (2)
D. Ferguson	Yes (1)
B. Hand	Yes (1)
B. Loosley	No (2)
K. Marriott	Yes (1)
S. Miller	Yes (2)
L. Napper	Yes (3)
J. Rombouts	Yes (2)
M. Stark	Yes (3)
I. Veen	Yes (1)
B. Weber	No (3)
B. White	Yes (3)

Yeas - 29; Nays - 7.

Carried.

Adjournment

#4: Rombouts/White: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned.

Carried.

Time: 11:05 a.m.

Bill Weber
Warden

Stéphane Thiffeault
County Clerk