

MINUTES
LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL

September 7, 2022

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. The following members attended virtually: M. Bradley and B. Weber.

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this land on which we are gathered today is part of the ancestral land of the Chippewa, Odawa, and Potawatomi peoples, referred to collectively as the Anishinaabeg. It is through the connection of the Anishinaabeg with the spirit of the land, water and air that we recognize their unique cultures, traditions, and values. Together as treaty people, we have a shared responsibility to act with respect for the environment that sustains all life, protecting the future for those generations to come.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

#1: Hand/Loosley: That the Warden declare that County Council go in-camera to discuss the following:

- a) to review the Lambton County Council (Closed Session) minutes dated July 6, 2022, pursuant to s. 239 (2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
- b) to receive a report on a matter about personnel matters of an identifiable employee of the Corporation, pursuant to s. 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
- c) to receive a report and seek instructions regarding an agreement for office space between The Corporation of the County of Lambton and the Province of Ontario, pursuant to ss. 239 (2)(k) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
- d) to receive a report, seek instructions, and formulate a response to the potential disposition of lands located in St. Clair Township, pursuant to the provisions of ss. 239 (2)(c) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Carried.

Open Session

The Warden declared that County Council go back into Open Session. Council then reconvened at 9:41 a.m.

Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session

The Clerk noted that County Council: (a) adopted the Lambton County Council (Closed Session) minutes dated July 6, 2022; (b) discussed a personnel matter regarding the position of the CAO; (c) provided staff with instructions in regards to a lease to be entered into with the Province of Ontario at Bayside Centre; and (d) provided staff with instructions to respond to an invitation it received to discuss the potential disposition of lands located in St. Clair Township.

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 on the Lambton County website.

Minutes of Council (Open Session)

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated July 6, 2022 were presented.

#2: Broad/Miller: That the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated July 6, 2022 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Correspondence to Receive and File

CC 09-01-22 An email from Cathy Bradley, County Clerk, Corporate Communications Officer, Hastings County, dated July 5, 2022 regarding a resolution as passed by Hastings County Council at its June 30, 2022 meeting to request the Province of Ontario to develop and implement a community warning program similar to Amber Alert for those persons of special needs or circumstances who leave the caregivers or locations and potentially put themselves at risk.

CC 09-02-22 A letter from Jamie Eckenswiller, AMP, Deputy Clerk, City of Owen Sound, dated July 6, 2022 regarding a resolution as passed by the City of Owen Sound at its May 30, 2022 Council meeting to request the removal of municipal Councillors under prescribed circumstances.

CC 09-03-22 An email from Christine Turner, Administrative Assistant, Sarnia-Lambton Ontario Health Team (OHT), on behalf of Mike Lapaine, Chair, and Kathy Bresett, Vice-Chair, Sarnia-Lambton OHT Collaboration Council, dated July 27, 2022 regarding Sarnia-Lambton Ontario Health Team Collaboration Council Highlights.

CC 09-09-22 A letter from Tanya Daniels, City Clerk, City of Brantford, dated July 29, 2022 regarding a resolution as passed by Brantford City Council at its meeting held July 26, 2022, titled Seeking Prosperity and Partnership with Indigenous Nations and a Timely Resolution of Haldimand Tract Land Dispute.

CC 09-10-22 An email from Jan Smith, Administrative Assistant, Ontario Sheep Farmers, on behalf of John Hemsted, Chair, Ontario Sheep Farmers, dated July 29, 2022 regarding By-Law requests from the Ontario Sheep Farmers for Livestock Guardian Dogs & Herding Dogs.

#3: Ferguson/Veen: That correspondence CC 09-01-22, CC 09-02-22, CC 09-03-22, CC 09-09-22 and CC 09-10-22 be received and filed.

Carried.

Information Reports

INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION

Information Report dated September 7, 2022 Regarding Waste Management Master Plan Update

#4: Veen/White: That Information Report dated September 7, 2022 regarding Waste Management Master Plan Update be received and filed.

Tabled.

#5: Bird/Arnold: That motion #4 of this day's minutes be tabled to the October 5, 2022 Lambton County Council meeting so that it can be dealt with in conjunction with tabled motion #11 of the Lambton County Council minutes dated July 6, 2022 regarding Waste-to-Energy Pre-feasibility Study.

Carried.

CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

Information Report dated September 7, 2022 Regarding Bill 3 - *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*

#6: Miller/Arnold: That Information Report dated September 7, 2022 regarding Bill 3 - *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022* be received and filed.

Carried.

#7: Weber/White: That County Council send a letter to MPP Bob Bailey, Sarnia-Lambton, MPP Monte McNaughton, Lambton-Kent-Middlesex, Premier Doug Ford, and Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Steve Clark to communicate Lambton County's opposition to Bill 3, *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*.

A recorded vote starting with Councillor Cook was requested by Councillor Stark on motion #7 of this day's minutes.

Councillor	Vote
S. Arnold	Yes (3)
M. Bird	Yes (3)
D. Boushy	Yes (3)
M. Bradley	No (3)
A. Broad	Yes (1)
D. Cook	Yes (2)
D. Ferguson	Yes (1)
B. Hand	Yes (1)
B. Loosley	Yes (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	Yes (3)
B. White	Yes (3)

Yeas - 34; Nays - 3.

Motion Carried.

Information Report dated September 7, 2022 Regarding Municipal Elections: Nominations and County Council Status

#8: Hand/Cook: That Information Report dated September 7, 2022 regarding Municipal Elections: Nominations and County Council Status be received and filed.

Carried.

Item Not Requiring a Motion

The Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Board minutes dated June 2, 2022 were presented.

#9: Miller/Rombouts: That Tourism Sarnia-Lambton Board minutes dated June 2, 2022 be received and filed.

Carried.

Committee Minutes

Mr. S. Arnold presented the Committee A.M. minutes (including Board of Health) dated August 18, 2022.

#10: Arnold/Broad: That the Committee A.M. minutes (including Board of Health) dated August 18, 2022 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Mr. D. Ferguson presented the Committee P.M. minutes dated August 18, 2022.

#11: Ferguson/Miller: That the Committee P.M. minutes dated August 18, 2022 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Notice of Motion

Re: Official Plan for the City of Sarnia - 2022

Councillor Stark gave Notice of Motion dated August 18, 2022 regarding the new Official Plan for the City of Sarnia, as follows:

Be it resolved, that the new Official Plan for the City of Sarnia – 2022 be brought to the floor of Lambton County Council for debate and potential vote to either ratify or return to the City of Sarnia for modifications as deemed appropriate by County of Lambton staff planners.

#12: Stark/Arnold: That County Council defer the motion regarding the new Official Plan for the City of Sarnia to the October 5, 2022 Lambton County Council meeting.

Carried.

Other Business

Ambulance Response Times

#13: Rombouts/Arnold: That staff provide a report for the next Council meeting on ways to improve the ambulance response times, specifically in the Township of Warwick.

Carried.

Bill 7 - More Beds, Better Care Act, 2022

Councillor Bradley asked staff for information on Bill 7, *More Beds, Better Care Act, 2022* in relation to the impact this will have on Lambton County's Long-Term Care Homes. Staff informed Council that a report will be brought forward at the next meeting with details on Bill 7 and its potential impacts.

100th Lambton County Plowing Match

Councillor Arnold thanked everyone for their support of the 100th Lambton County Plowing Match, which had a great turnout and was held in St. Clair Township on September 3, 2022.

By-Laws

#14: Broad/Cook: That By-Laws #20 and #21 of 2022, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#15: Cook/Broad: That By-Laws #20 and #21 of 2022, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

#16: Hand/Napper: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next regular meeting of County Council to be held on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

Time: 10:11 a.m.

Kevin Marriott
Warden

Stéphane Thiffeault
County Clerk