

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

**October 7, 2020**

Lambton County Council was in session via electronic meeting, at 9:00 a.m. on the above date. Warden in the Chair; Roll called; All members present except I. Veen.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

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

- a) a report on labour negotiations between The Corporation of the County of Lambton and ONA Marshall Gowland Manor (MGM) and ONA Lambton Meadowview Villa (LMV) and North Lambton Lodge (NLL), and provide and receive any communications relevant thereto, pursuant to s. 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
- b) a new lease agreement at Bayside Centre, City of Sarnia, and to provide instructions in relation thereto, pursuant to ss. 239(2)(k) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Carried.

Open Session

The Warden declared that County Council go back into Open Session. Council then reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

Silent Reflection

Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session

The Clerk noted that County Council adopted the Lambton County Council (Closed Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020, and Council also provided staff with instructions on a proposed Collective Agreement between The Corporation of the County of Lambton and ONA Marshall Gowland Manor (MGM) and ONA Lambton Meadowview Villa (LMV) and North Lambton Lodge (NLL).

### 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/93434?splitscreen=true&media=true>

### Delegations

Mr. Sandy Marshall, Executive Director, Bioindustrial Innovation Canada (BIC), provided County Council with an update on the activities of BIC.

### Minutes of Council (Open Session)

The Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 as well as the Special Meeting of Lambton County Council minutes dated September 16, 2020 were presented.

#2: Hand/Miller: That the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 and the Special Meeting of Lambton County Council minutes dated September 16, 2020 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

### Correspondence to Receive and File

CC 10-06-20 An email from Graydon Smith, President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), dated October 1, 2020 regarding the 2019 Annual Report on the federal Gas Tax Fund.

#3: Rombouts/Cook: That correspondence CC 10-06-20 be received and filed.

Carried.

### Information Report

### **INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION**

#### Information Report dated October 7, 2020 Regarding County Official Plan Update

#4: White/Marriott: That Information Report dated October 7, 2020 regarding County Official Plan Update be received and filed.

Carried.

Items Not Requiring a Motion

- a) Creative County Committee Minutes dated June 25, 2020.

#5: Broad/Bird: That the Creative County Committee minutes dated June 25, 2020 be received and filed.

Carried.

Reports Requiring a Motion

**FINANCE, FACILITIES AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION**

Report dated October 7, 2020 Regarding 2021 New Capital Grant Requests

#6: White/Cook: That the County capital grant program be suspended in 2021 so that no new capital grant requests be entertained in the 2021 Budget.

Carried.

Report dated October 7, 2020 Regarding Court Services Temporary Relocation

#7: Arnold/Ferguson:

- a) That the County begin negotiating a lease agreement with Western Sarnia-Lambton Research Park for its Court Services Department for a term of 12 months with the option to extend the lease for an additional year.
- b) That staff report back to Council on the negotiated lease agreement for Council's final approval.

Carried.

Report dated October 7, 2020 Regarding the Municipal Capital Facility Agreement

#8: Bradley/White:

- a) That the County's leased space at the Bayside Centre located in Sarnia is hereby designated a municipal capital facility.
- b) That staff prepare and present Council with a draft By-Law designating the County's leased space as a municipal capital facility.

Carried.

### Committee Minutes

Mr. B. White presented the Committee A.M. minutes dated September 16, 2020.

#9: White/Bird: That the Committee A.M. minutes dated September 16, 2020 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Ms. J. Rombouts presented the Committee P.M. minutes dated September 16, 2020.

#10: Rombouts/Napper: That the Committee P.M. minutes dated September 16, 2020 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

### Item Tabled from Previous Meetings

### **CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION**

#### Report dated September 2, 2020 Regarding Resuming Committee (A.M./P.M.) Meetings in Person

Tabled Motion #8 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 regarding Resuming Committee (A.M./P.M.) Meetings in Person Report. The motion was tabled to the October 7, 2020 Lambton County Council (Open Session) meeting.

#11: Stark/Rombouts: That motion #8 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 regarding the Report dated September 2, 2020 regarding Resuming Committee (A.M./P.M.) Meetings in Person be lifted from the table.

Carried.

#12: Bradley/Broad: That motion #8 of the Lambton County Council (Open Session) minutes dated September 2, 2020 regarding the Report dated September 2, 2020 regarding Resuming Committee (A.M./P.M.) Meetings in Person be tabled to be dealt with in January 2021.

A recorded vote starting with Warden Weber was requested by Councillor Stark on motion #11 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	No (3)
M. Bird	No (3)
D. Boushy	Yes (3)
M. Bradley	Yes (3)
A. Broad	Yes (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	Yes (3)
J. Rombouts	No (2)
M. Stark	No (3)
I. Veen	Absent
B. Weber	No (3)
B. White	No (3)

Yeas - 12; Nays - 24.

Defeated.

#13: Cook/Ferguson: That starting with the October 21, 2020 meetings, Committee A.M. and Committee P.M. resume meeting in person unless and/or until the Warden and/or Council directs that those meetings be held electronically due to health, safety and/or public transparency considerations.

Tabled.

#14: Stark/Arnold: That motion #13 of this day's minutes be amended so that hybrid meetings be an option, where some members can meet in person and others can have the option of attending the meetings electronically.

Tabled.

#15: Bradley/Loosley: That motion #13 and motion #14 of this day's minutes be tabled until the first regular Council meeting after December 15, 2020.

A recorded vote starting with Councillor Hand was requested by Councillor Bradley on motion #15 of this day's minutes.

S. Arnold	Yes (3)
M. Bird	No (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	Yes (2)
K. Marriott	Yes (1)
S. Miller	Yes (2)
L. Napper	Yes (3)
J. Rombouts	Yes (2)
M. Stark	Yes (3)
I. Veen	Absent

B. Weber	No (3)
B. White	Yes (3)

Yeas - 28; Nays - 8.

Carried.

## **Other Business**

### **Ambulances in The City of Sarnia**

Councillor Bradley requested that staff provide a report on the level of service regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in The City of Sarnia.

### **Aspiring Wardens/Deputy Wardens**

Councillor Stark declared that he will be running in the 2021-2022 Deputy Warden's Election.

### **Homelessness in The City of Sarnia**

Councillor Bird requested a report on the movement of individuals between homeless shelters and hotels in The City of Sarnia.

### **Conservation Authorities**

Councillor Loosley requested an update from staff on motion #3 of the Committee A.M. minutes dated November 20, 2019 which directed County Council to invite the two local Conservation Authorities to a community meeting hosted by the County early in the new year (2020) to discuss their core mandates.

### **Neighbour2Neighbour Food Drive**

Councillor Broad informed Council of the Neighbour2Neighbour Food Drive that will be taking place on November 7, 2020 in Lambton County. For more information, please visit [www.n2nfooddrive.com](http://www.n2nfooddrive.com).

## **By-Laws**

**#16:** Rombouts/White: That By-Laws #29 and #30 of 2020, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

**#17:** White/Rombouts: That By-Laws #29 and #30 of 2020, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

#18: Loosley/Rombouts: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next regular meeting of County Council to be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

Time: 11:37 a.m.

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Bill Weber  
Warden

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Stéphane Thiffeault  
County Clerk