

MINUTES

LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL

March 3, 2021

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 L. Napper.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

In-Camera

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

- a) a report seeking instruction from Council regarding a proposed Collective Agreement with Unifor 65, pursuant to s. 239(2)(d)(k) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
Carried.

Open Session

The Warden declared that County Council go back into Open Session. Council then reconvened at 9:07 a.m.

Rise and Report Motions of the In-Camera Session dated March 3, 2021

The County Clerk noted that County Council discussed and provided staff with instructions on a proposed Collective Agreement with Unifor 65.

Councillor Napper joined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Correspondence to Receive and File

CC 03-02-21 An email from Dr. Charles Winegard, Medical Director, Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital of Bluewater Health (CEEH), Petrolia, dated February 23, 2021 regarding support for the \$10 million funding request for 10 years from Bluewater Health.

Correspondence from Member Municipalities

CC 03-01-21 A letter from Mandi Pearson, Clerk, Town of Petrolia dated February 12, 2021 regarding a resolution from the Council of The Town of Petrolia to request that

County Council approve the funding request from Bluewater Health. The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Petrolia feel that the Health and Well Being of all County Residents should be a priority, especially during these difficult times.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Petrolia recommend to the County of Lambton Council, that they approve the request from Bluewater Health for a grant of one million dollars a year for 10 years;

AND FURTHER THAT that a copy of this resolution be circulated to the County of Lambton Warden, all Municipalities within the County of Lambton, Bluewater Health and MPP Bob Bailey.

#2: Cook/Loosley: That correspondence CC 03-02-21 and CC 03-01-21 be received and filed.

Carried.

Information Report

FINANCE, FACILITIES AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION

Information Report dated March 3, 2021 Regarding Future Capital Needs/Provincial Downloading Report - Update for 2021 Budget

#3: Arnold/Napper: That Information Report dated March 3, 2021 regarding Future Capital Needs/Provincial Downloading Report - Update for 2021 Budget be received and filed.

Carried.

Report Requiring a Motion

FINANCE, FACILITIES AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION

Report dated March 3, 2021 Regarding Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP) - Funding Application

#4: White/Weber: That County Council authorize staff to apply for grant funding under the Municipal Asset Management Program.

Carried.

2021 Budget Deliberations

Lambton County Council went into the 2021 Budget Session.

Larry Palarchio, General Manager, Finance, Facilities and Court Services provided a brief overview regarding the process to be followed.

Council commenced the 2021 budget process with a consideration of grants requested, staff reports referred to Budget and then reviewed the budgets for each Division. Council made resolutions on an exception basis as recorded in the attached minutes dated Wednesday, March 3, 2021 and specifically motion numbers 1-10 therein.

By-Laws

#5: Napper/Ferguson: That By-Laws #3 and #4 of 2021, as circulated, be taken as read a first and second time.

Carried.

#6: Ferguson/Napper: That By-Laws #3 and #4 of 2021, as circulated, be taken as read a third time and finally passed.

Carried.

#7: Loosley/Bradley: That staff be requested to provide options for Council's consideration to reduce the County's debt as well as to provide how the debt has been reduced in the last 10 years.

Carried.

Adjournment

#8: Broad/Veen: That the Warden declare the meeting adjourned with the next regular meeting of County Council to be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 with the In-Camera session to commence at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

Time: 10:55 a.m.

Kevin Marriott
Warden

Stéphane Thiffeault
County Clerk

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| | | | | Gross (\$) | Tax (\$) | Levy (%) | | Yes | No |
| 1 | Bird, Margaret Ferguson, David | County Grants That the grant request from Bluewater Health Foundation for \$10,000,000 over 10 years be tabled to the 2022 budget and that Council handle one item each year. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Miller, was requested by Councillor Bradley. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | D | 16 | 21 |

| Councillors | Yes | No |
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| Broad, Alan | 1 | |
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| Ferguson, David | 1 | |
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| Miller, Steve | 2 | |
| Napper, Lonny | | 3 |
| Rombouts, Jackie | | 2 |
| Stark, Mike | | 3 |
| Veen, Ian | | 1 |
| Weber, Bill | 3 | |
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| 2 | Weber, Bill | County Grants | Operating: | 400,000 | | | A | 32 | 5 |
| | Ferguson, David | That County Council support up to 50% of the actual costs of the Bluewater Health helipad in 2021 out of the Opportunities and Contingency Reserve. | Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | | | |
| | | A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Stark, was requested by Councillor Stark. | | | | | | | |
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| 3 | Stark, Mike | County Grants | Operating: | 800,000 | | | L | | |
| | | That motion #2 of this day's minutes be amended to provide an actual cost of \$800,000 so that the motion reads: | Non-TCA: | | | | | | |
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| | | That County Council provide \$800,000 for the costs of Bluewater Health helipad in 2021 from the Opportunities and Contingency Reserve. | | | | | | | |

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| 4 | Weber, Bill Ferguson, David | County Grants a) That staff provide a report on the pros and cons as well as the practicalities of a multi-year grant, being \$10,000,000 over 10 years to the Bluewater Health Foundation, for the purposes of informing Council of the effects and impacts this commitment would have on future Councils of Lambton County. b) That the grant request of \$10,000,000 over 10 years from Bluewater Health Foundation be deferred to the 2022 budget. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Cook, was requested by Councillor Stark. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | A | 22 | 15 |
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| | | | | Gross (\$) | Tax (\$) | Levy (%) | | Yes | No |
| 5 | Arnold, Steve Cook, Doug | County Grants That the request for the roundabout work at County Road 4 (Petrolia Line) and County Road 31 (Kimball Road) be tabled to the 2022 budget. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | T | | |

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| 6 | White, Brian Hand, Bev | Library That Council support the cost of up to \$100,000 from its Opportunities and Contingency Reserve to provide for new furnishings, fixtures and equipment, cabling infrastructure, signage, security gates, shelving, and moving expenses associated with the proposed relocation of the Mallroad Library. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Napper, was requested by Councillor Bradley. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | 100,000 | | | A | 32 | 5 |
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| 7 | Bradley, Mike Arnold, Steve | County Grants That staff provide a report to Council at the September 1, 2021 County Council meeting to make recommendations on whether or not the County is in a position to be able to support third party grants for the 2022 budget. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Napper, was requested by Councillor Bradley. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | A | 37 | 0 |
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| 8 | Loosley, Brad Boushy, Dave | Emergency Medical Services That the Strategic Plan's Performance Concepts from 2014 be updated by completing an operations review and that up to a maximum of \$20,000 from the Opportunities and Contingency Reserve be included in the 2021 budget for this. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Veen, was requested by Councillor Bradley. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | 20,000 | | | A | 21 | 16 |
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| 9 | Bird, Margaret Rombouts, Jackie | Lambton Meadowview Villa a) That staff draw up an action plan for the construction of a new Lambton Meadowview Villa (LMV), for construction to start in 2023. b) That staff recommend to Council a capital reserve fund and periodic contributions thereto, for the construction of a new LMV. c) That staff report back to Council at the April 7, 2021 Council meeting with an update on items a) and b) above. A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Boushy, was requested by Councillor Bradley. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | A | 21 | 16 |
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| 10 | Weber, Bill Napper, Lonny | County Council That the 2021 Budget be approved as amended. | Operating: Non-TCA: TCA: | | | | A | 32 | 5 |
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A recorded vote, starting with Councillor Ferguson, was requested by Councillor Bradley.

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