

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE P.M.**

(Long-Term Care/Corporate Services/Finance, Facilities and Court Services/Social Services)

April 20, 2022

A meeting was held at the County Building at 11:00 a.m. on the above date.

Present

Chair D. Ferguson, M. Bird, D. Boushy, D. Cook, S. Miller, J. Rombouts, I. Veen, and B. White attended in person and Warden K. Marriott and Deputy Warden Hand attended virtually. Various staff were also present including the following: Ms. J. Joris, General Manager, Long-Term Care, Mr. L. Palarchio, General Manager, Finance, Facilities and Court Services, Ms. V. Colasanti, General Manager, Social Services, Mr. S. Thiffeault, General Manager, Corporate Services and Mr. R. Van Horne, Chief Administrative Officer.

Absent

None.

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

LONG-TERM CARE DIVISION

Information Reports

#1: Veen/Rombouts: That the following Information Reports from the Long-Term Care Division be received and filed:

- a) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding COVID-19 Update.
- b) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding Enhanced Funding.

Carried.

CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

No agenda items.

FINANCE, FACILITIES AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION

Information Reports

#2: Miller/Veen: That the following Information Reports from the Finance, Facilities and Court Services Division be received and filed:

- a) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding Council Remuneration and Related Expenses - 2021.
- b) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding Bayside Centre Activity Report Update.

Carried.

Reports Requiring a Motion

Report dated April 20, 2022 Regarding 2021 Year-End Monitoring Report

#3: Veen/Cook: That Council approve the report and authorize the General Manager, Finance, Facilities and Court Services/County Treasurer to contribute the preliminary 2021 year-end surplus of \$571,000 to the "County Emergency/Stabilization Reserve" to help address future tax increases and pressures in future budget cycles.

Carried.

Report dated April 20, 2022 Regarding 2022 Tax Policy

#4: White/Cook:

- a) That for all property classes except the Landfill class, there be no change to the broad property class ratios for these classes from those set by Council for the 2021 Taxation year, and that these ratios continue to apply in the 2022 Taxation year.
- b) That the Tax Class Ratio for the Landfill Property Class be set at the maximum value as permitted in Subsection 10.2(3) as described in O.Reg. 385/98 as amended, being 15.302448.
- c) That the maximum "ceiling" value for the Small-scale Value-Added Industrial and Commercial Activities on Farms sub-class be increased from the first \$50,000 of assessed value to the first \$100,000 of assessed value on qualifying properties.

Carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION

Correspondence to Receive and File

SSD 05-03-22 A letter from The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated April 7, 2022 regarding the fifth phase of the Province's Social Services Relief Fund. The County of Lambton will receive an additional \$1,130,200 in funding. The province is contributing half of the funding and the federal government is contributing the other half as part of its support for municipalities as they recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

#5: Miller/Boushy: That correspondence SSD 05-03-22 be received and filed.

Carried.

Information Reports

#6: Miller/Boushy: That the following Information Reports from the Social Services Division be received and filed:

- a) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding COVID-19 Emergency Shelter Response Update.
- b) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding Canada-Wide Early Learning & Child Care Agreement.
- c) Information Report dated April 20, 2022 regarding Sarnia-Lambton Local Immigration Partnership Additional Funding.

Carried.

Reports Requiring a Motion

Report dated April 20, 2022 Regarding Homelessness Prevention Program Investment Plan

#7: White/Rombouts:

- a) That staff be authorized to submit the proposed Homelessness Prevention Program Investment Plan for the 2022-23 fiscal year as follows:

Service Category	Planned Financial Commitments by Quarter				
	Q1 Apr-Jun	Q2 July-Sept	Q3 Oct-Dec	Q4 Jan-Mar	Total
Community Outreach & Support Services	108,653	108,653	108,653	108,653	434,612

Service Category	Planned Financial Commitments by Quarter				
Emergency Shelter Solutions	69,624	69,625	69,625	69,625	278,499
Housing Assistance	317,856	317,856	317,856	317,856	1,271,424
Supportive Housing	351,991	351,991	351,991	351,992	1,407,965
Total Operating	848,124	848,125	848,125	848,126	3,392,500
Administration Fees	44,500	44,500	44,500	44,500	178,000
Grand Total	892,624	892,625	892,625	892,626	3,570,500

- b) That staff be authorized to re-allocate program funds between the program components in response to local needs, the updated County of Lambton Housing and Homelessness Plan, and to ensure full utilization of allocations.

Carried.

Report dated April 20, 2022 Regarding Reaching Home Incremental Funding

#8: Cook/White: That Council approve the hiring of two full-time permanent staff and three full-time temporary staff for a period of two years. These positions include:

- a) One Permanent Clerical Support.
- b) One Permanent Community Support Worker with a focus on tenancy supports for those with a mental health diagnosis.
- c) One Temporary Community Support Worker to provide tenancy support.
- d) One Temporary Community Support Worker with a focus to work with First Nations Communities.
- e) One Temporary Community Outreach Worker.

Carried.

IN-CAMERA

No In-Camera Items.

Adjournment

#9: Veen/White: That the Chair declare the meeting adjourned with the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at the County Building, Wyoming, Ontario.

Carried.

Time: 11:15 a.m.

David Ferguson
Chair

Stéphane Thiffeault
Clerk