



## **MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday April 1, 2015 in the new Council Chambers, 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhill with a quorum present.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Present:

Mayor Don Shipway

Deputy Mayor Brian Ropp

Councillor Ward One Doreen McLinchey

Councillor Ward Two Joan Nichol

Councillor Ward Three Gord Moir

Councillor Ward Four Andrew Hemming

Councillor Ward Five Adrian Cornelissen

CAO, Marsha Paley

Clerk, Jackie Tiedeman

### **3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None at this time

### **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - March 18, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes**

MOTION #90 /2015

ROPP/NICHOL: That the minutes be approved as circulated

**CARRIED**

## **5. PUBLIC MEETING**

MOTION #91/2015

MCLINCHEY/CORNELISSEN: That regular meeting adjourn to Committee of Adjustment at 7:01 p.m.

CARRIED

Regular meeting resumed following the planning portion of the agenda at 7:45 p.m.

## **6. DELEGATIONS:**

7:45 p.m. – Brenda Slater, Municipal Relations Representative from MPAC attended Council to provide an overview on “Understanding Property Assessment in Ontario”. MPAC is responsible for accurately assessing and classifying all properties in Ontario in accordance with the Assessment Act and regulations established by the Ontario Government. MPAC’s assessments provide the foundation on which all 444 municipalities across Ontario calculate property taxes, and are based on what a willing buyer would pay a willing seller for a property on a legislated valuation date. To establish that value, MPAC reviews sales of comparable sold properties in the neighbourhood and other key features that affect market value. Those values are provided to municipalities, who use the assessments to calculate property taxes. Municipalities determine their revenue requirements, set municipal tax rates and collect property taxes.

Several questions were asked by Council and responded to by Ms. Slater. The Mayor thanked her for the informative presentation.

8:10 p.m. – Jackie Muller and Marcel Misuraca, representatives from OCWA, attended Council to present the Fourth Quarter Operations Report and Annual Year End reports as follows:

Ailsa Craig Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations Report 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter  
North Middlesex Distribution System Operations Report 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter  
Parkhill Wastewater Lagoon & Collection System Operations Report 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter  
Ailsa Craig Wastewater Treatment Plant -2014 Annual Report  
Parkhill Sewage Lagoon System performance report 2014  
2014 Annual and Summary Reports for the North Middlesex Water System

**\*\*All reports are available on the website for viewing**

Council asked several questions regarding the reports and responses were provided. Items to be followed up with Council: Quote on the cost to connect to gas line at the

Ailsa Craig Wastewater Plan; Options for changing the C of A to accommodate more septage at the Ailsa Craig facility in turn would more revenue to offset expenses; provide annual capital projects list to Council for approval prior to implementing work.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Muller and Mr. Misuraca for the informative presentation.

## **7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

a. Report on the compilation of accounts up to March 26, 2015

MOTION #95/2015

CORNELISSEN/HEMMING: That the following bills and accounts be approved for payment: General \$157,187.09  
Ont Hydro \$ 21,595.51

CARRIED

## **8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

None at this time

## **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None at this time

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Buckle up Baby Program – May 14<sup>th</sup> in Parkhill  
(action receive and file)

b) Ernie Hardeman, M.P.P. Request to support new bill – Housing Services Corporation Accountability Act.

MOTION #96/2015

ROPP/CORNELISSEN: The Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex supports the bill from Ernie Hardeman, MPP Oxford as follows:

WHEREAS social housing providers in Ontario are currently required to purchase natural gas and insurance through the Housing Services Corporation (HSC) or pay a fee to purchase elsewhere; and

WHEREAS social housing providers should have the right to obtain natural gas and insurances at the lowest cost to provide value to those in need of affordable housing and all tax payers; and

WHEREAS the HSC should be subject the same level of accountability and oversight as government agencies;

THEREFORE BE IT resolved that the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex supports the Housing Services Corporation Accountability Act introduced by Oxford MPP Ernie Hardeman which would remove the mandatory requirement for social housing providers to purchase gas and insurance through the HSC to report salaries over \$100,000 and give the Provincial Auditor General the authority to audit HSC.

CARRIED

c) Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs – Ontario Senior of the Year Award 2015 (action: each municipality can submit one name for this award –deadline April 30<sup>th</sup> for submissions)

d) Invitation to Municipal Association Annual Meeting – April 23, 2015 in Glencoe (action: RSVP to Clerk by April 15, 2015)

MOTION #97/2015

MOIR/NICHOL: That the correspondence package (a-d) be approved with actions

CARRIED

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS**

None at this time

## **12. CLOSED SESSION (Under Section 239 of the Municipal Act)**

MOTION #98/2015

MCLINCHEY/ROPP: That regular meeting adjourn to Closed Meeting at 8:55 p.m. for the following purpose:

a) The security of the property of the municipality or local board – Review of past minutes deferred from last meeting.

CARRIED

## **13. RISE AND REPORT**

Council rose with no report at 9:15 p.m.

## **14. READING OF BY-LAWS**

a) By-law #20 of 2015 – Zoning Amendment – 1451 Elm Tree Drive (Frederick Boere)

b) By-law #XX of 2015 – Zoning Amendment – 9554 Townsend Line (Charles Herrington) – Deferred at Committee of Adjustment

c) By-law #21 of 2015 – Confirming By-law

MOTION #99/2015

HEMMING/MOIR: That By-law #20 & 21 of 2015 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

MOTION #100/2015

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That By-law #20 & 21 of 2015 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

## **15. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION #101/2015

ROPP/HEMMING: That the meeting adjourn at 9:17 p.m.

CARRIED

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MAYOR

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CLERK