

DECEMBER 17, 2014

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX

7:00 P.M.

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday December 17, 2014 in the new Council Chambers, 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhill with a quorum present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Don Shipway
Deputy Mayor Chuck Hall
Councillor Ward One – Doreen McLinchey
Councillor Ward Two – Brian Ropp
Councillor Ward Three – Gord Moir
Councillor Ward Four – Andrew Hemming
Councillor Ward Five – Adrian Cornelissen
CAO/Deputy Clerk Marsha Paley

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared at this time.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOIR/HEMMING: That the minutes of the December 3, 2014 Inaugural Meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC MEETING

None

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

- a) Report on compilation of accounts up to December 11, 2014.

General	\$	1,785,887.13
Cemetery	\$	5,183.35
OCWA	\$	49,600.44
Hydro One 200112192692	\$	808.11

MCLINCHEY/ROPP: That the following bills and accounts be approved for payment:

CARRIED

8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a) Report from Clerk Jackie Tiedeman regarding final 2014 Election Information

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL:

That the final report on the 2014 Municipal Election be received;

And further that an election reserve be started and \$5,000 be added each year in order that the impact is not all within the election year budget.

CARRIED

- b) Report from Clerk Jackie Tiedeman regarding Service Ontario Renewal Contract

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING:

That Council directs the Mayor and CAO to sign Addendum No. 2 to the Issuing Services Agreement as presented.

CARRIED

- c) Report from Drainage Superintendent Glen Bullock regarding Galbraith Drain 2014 and Tender Results

CORNELISSEN/ROPP:

That Council read a third time and pass Provisional By-law #41 of 2014 for the Galbraith Drain 2014.

CARRIED

ROPP/CORNELISSEN:

That Council accepts the recommendation to award the Galbraith Drain tender to Hornblower Horizontal Earthboring for \$33,431.05 (HST included).

CARRIED

d) Report from CAO Marsha Paley on Proposed Organizational Initiatives

MCLINCHEY/MOIR:

That Council directs the CAO to move forward on developing and implementing these initiatives, activities and changes to ensure an efficient and effective workplace which supports the municipality and its' future;

And further to provide a cost, where and when necessary, for Council's consideration and appropriate budgeting over the coming term.

CARRIED

e) Report from Recreation/Facilities Manager Scott Nickles – Progress Report

Following the presentation on the report, Cr. Cornelissen noted that it would be appropriate for the Ailsa Craig pavilion to be completed prior to the Victoria Day weekend in May 2015. Deputy Mayor Ropp provided a further update on the Nairn outdoor ice rink. There was also a brief discussion about the possible location for the OPP while the former Municipal Offices are demolished.

CORNELISSEN/HEMMING:

That the quarterly progress report for the Recreation Department be received and filed.

CARRIED

f) Report from Recreation/Facilities Manager Scott Nickles – Refrigerators North Middlesex Community Centre

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING:

That Council approves the \$9,000.00 be placed in the Recreation Department capital reserve fund for expenditure in 2015 to purchase three refrigerators for the North Middlesex Community Centre.

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Thank you card – Olivia VanderVloet – Parkhill Fall Fair Ambassador
(Action: Receive and file)
- b. Tourism Middlesex – Second Report July 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014
(Action: Receive and file)
- c. Nextera Energy – Congratulatory letter to Council and invitation to attend as delegation at a future meeting
(Action: Receive and invite representatives to council meeting in the New Year)
- d. Township of Pelee and County of Huron – advising Ontario municipalities of their motions asking for Canada Post to reconsider eliminating home to home postal services (Action: Receive and file)
- e. Township of Carlin – advising of their municipalities support to the Town of Bancroft motion to request the Province to implement a billing method for those properties in unorganized townships (Action: Receive and file)

MCLINCHEY/MOIR: That the correspondence a) to e) be received and filed.

CARRIED

- f. Halton Region – requesting support and endorsement of Halton's position regarding the use of "Buy American" provisions
(Action: Council consideration of support)
- g. ABCA Cost Sharing for Maintenance of Water and Erosion Control Structures – 2014 Actual and 2015 Estimated (Action: receive and approve payment as invoiced)
- h. Thames Valley District School Board – Surplus space available for co-operative undertaking (Action: Recommendation to explore the need for surplus space in North Middlesex District High School)

There was a brief discussion whether this could be used for a temporary location for the OPP while the former municipal offices are demolished. Staff were directed to look into this opportunity.

NICHOL/ROPP: That correspondence f) to h) be accepted with actions as presented.

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Update on report to Council from Public Works on request for Four Way Stop – Deferred November 19th pending input from Emergency Services

MCLINCHEY/CORNELISSEN:

That Council approve the by-law for a four-way stop at the intersection of Tain Street and Catherine Street in Parkhill;

And further that staff proceed with installation of proper signage.

CARRIED

- b. Request from Lake Huron Primary Water Supply Joint Board advising that North Middlesex could appoint an alternate member – no obligation

No appointment of an alternate member was put forward at this time.

New Items:

- c. Policy Task Force

Council was updated on the proposed schedule of meetings.

- d. Economic Development Advisory Committee

Council was updated on the upcoming schedule of EDAC meetings with the first one to be held on Monday, January 12th at 7 pm, followed by a meeting on every second Monday of a month.

12. IN CAMERA

HEMMING/MOIR: That the regular meeting adjourn to Closed Meeting at 7:45 pm for the following under Section 239 of the *Municipal Act*:

- a. Litigation or Potential Litigation (Upcoming OMB Hearing)
- b. Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (3 items)
 - Treasurer position update
 - Fire Dept. operational review
 - CAO position status
- c. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Brinsley Cemetery)
- d. The security of the property of the municipality or local board (Sno-Blizzards update)

CARRIED

Note that CAO/Deputy Clerk Marsha Paley left the Closed Session in the Council Chambers at 8:54 pm prior to the discussion on the CAO position status and returned to the Closed Session at 9:17 pm following the discussion. Treasurer/Tax Collector Chuck Daigle, designated in writing as a Deputy Clerk, resided during this portion of the Closed Session.

MCLINCHEY/CORNELISSEN: That Council rise from the Closed Session at 9:30 pm.

CARRIED

13. RISE AND REPORT

CORNELISSEN/MOIR: That Council support retaining a solicitor to at the upcoming OMB hearing.

CARRIED

ROPP/HEMMING: That staff is directed to provide a report on a flat-rate remuneration for Council.

CARRIED

14. READING OF BY-LAWS

- a. By-law #41 of 2014 – Galbraith Drain 2014 (Third and final reading)
- b. By-law #71 of 2014 – Authorize execution of an agreement for OCIF Funding
- c. By-law #72 of 2014 – Appointment of Municipal Weed Inspector

d. By-law #73 of 2014 – Confirming By-law

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That By-law #71, #72 and #73 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

NICHOL/MOIR: That By-law #41, #71, #72 and #73 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

ROPP/NICHOL: That the regular Council meeting adjourn at 9:45 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CAO/DEPUTY CLERK