

7:00 p.m.

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX

January 15, 2001

MINUTES

The Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex met on January 15, 2001 for a Council Meeting.

Those present were:

MAYOR - CHUCK HALL
DEPUTY MAYOR - IAN BREBNER
COUNCILLOR WARD 1 – MARYSIA COUTTS
COUNCILLOR WARD 2 - KEN JOHNSTON
COUNCILLOR WARD 3 - MIKE CONLIN
COUNCILLOR WARD 4 - LAWRENCE MCLACHLAN
COUNCILLOR WARD 5 - LUCY HENDRIKX
ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK – SHIRLEY SCOTT
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT – JOE ADAMS

No pecuniary interest was declared.

MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed and the following motion made.

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: That the minutes from North Middlesex dated January 3, 2001 and January 8, 2001 and North Middlesex Transition Board dated December 19, 2000 and December 27, 2000 be accepted with changes discussed.

CARRIED

INSURANCE

Council were advised that Jardine Insurance made the successful bid for insurance. Councillor Johnston requested an extract from the Policy to indicate the cost of each category of insurance - Recreation, Roads, etc. Deputy Reeve Brebner advised that 24 hour coverage for Councillors Accident was available for \$385, and questioned whether this would be feasible. The package accepted is to be reviewed.

WORK MANAGERS REPORT

1. Bert Johnson will attend the office on Friday, January 19, 2001 to discuss the OSTAR grant. The intent is to gain Provincial support. A package will be prepared to indicate what has been applied for. Dillon Engineering has the total figures for the water works project, and KMK has the total figures for the sewage upgrade package. Final decision should be made by January 24, 2001 to meet the deadline for submission on January 31, 2001.
2. Grant information on Super Build have been announced today.
3. Signs are on all Township vehicles.
4. Ausable Bayfield is hosting a session on Flood Plain Management on February 7, 2001 and Fisheries Management on February 28, 2001.
5. Drainage Convention is being hosted in London at the Lamplighter on January 24 and 25, 2001.
6. A request for snow removal in Ailsa Craig, for a non profit organization, was received. It was treated the same as main street.

WEST NILE VIRUS

Mayor Hall advised that the County is reviewing the effect of the West Nile Virus in this area. He assured Council that our Public Works Superintendent is qualified to apply bait, and is prepared to enact the program to control the mosquitos. Mr. Adams advised that timing, product and temperature have an impact on the success of the program. The ABCA will be involved also. The stale water areas that feed mosquitos are caused by beaver blocking the flow of water. Control of beaver will also be implemented. Council members were asked to bring forth information regarding possible areas that require bait. All work done will be documented.

CLERKS REPORT

There has been an appeal placed against a severance denied in East Williams. This will be forwarded and acted upon accordingly.

The County has suggested that all Middlesex County standardize the Emergency Plans. Clerk Scott suggested that this area may have some needs that the areas closer to the city may not have, and visa versa. Joe Adams advised that the plans are being gathered and compared by his office.

Clerk Scott reported that Planner B. Rosser received a verbal complaint from a Nairn ratepayer. Council suggested that any complaints should be received in writing at the administrative office, then the Council would respond in writing.

TAX DUE DATES

Tax due dates were reviewed as collected in the past from the five municipalities. After consideration, the following motion was accepted.

CONLIN-HENDRIKX: That taxes on properties in North Middlesex be due March 31st, June 30th, September 30 and November 30th of 2001.
CARRIED

Any ratepayer wanting to pay taxes monthly is to be accommodated.

BAG TAGS

A ratepayer from the east end of McGillivray requested that bag tags be available in Lucan. Council advised that should a vendor from Lucan wish to sell the bag tags, they could pick up tags at either municipal office. Clerk Scott advised that Benders Foodland had discussed a selling price with all vendors, and it was agreed that all vendors would sell for \$1.60 each. Bag tags will remain available at the municipal office for \$1.50 each.

DELEGATION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Janet Johnstone and Ann Wilson then entered the meeting to discuss economic development. They advised that Parkhill had various committees that could expand to all of North Middlesex if more people were willing to participate. Some achievements discussed included Communities in Bloom, Health Advisory Committee, Community Calendar, Community Unity, PABA, and the travel booth.

Later in the meeting, it was suggested that the local clubs be contacted to advise on various activities that could be listed in the community calendar. It was agreed that a group meeting for the North Middlesex area, with Val Clarke present from OMAFRA would prove useful. It was agreed that we should move with the model set by Parkhill.

WATER AND SEWER RATES

Rates are to be applied as in the past until regulated by Council. A report is to be prepared in order for rate unity to be discussed. Council agreed that a one time 10% penalty charge is to be applied to late payment.

COUTTS-BREBNER: That Council adjourn to a planning meeting to consider rezoning for Needham application.

CARRIED.

REZONING: NEEDHAM

The application for rezoning received from Ralph and Pat Needham was then considered. Those present for the hearing were Council, Ralph Needham, Joan Robson, and Planner B. Rosser.

Shirley Scott advised that proper circulation of the application had been carried out. Correspondence was reviewed as received from County of Middlesex stating no concerns, and ABCA stating concerns that were considered in the planners recommendation.

Planner B. Rosser then reviewed her recommendations stating that a by-law had been drafted rezoning Part of Lot 16 Concession 15, former McGillivray Township from Restricted Agricultural to Hamlet Residential. The matter of drainage as considered by ABCA required municipal approval of a grading plan for each of the lots and a condition regarding drainage of the same is to be applied.

Ms. Rosser advised that she applied MDS when reviewing the application. She advised that there was substantial development within the area, therefore no further impact would be applicable due to this development. It was suggested that a registered agreement be put on title of the remnant parcel.

Works Supervisor, Joe Adams advised that a mutual drain agreement would be agreed upon, with a condition being that the agreement be registered on title before the deeds are stamped.

Council then made the following motions:

CONLIN-HENDRIKX: That By-law #12 of 2001 approving rezoning of Pt Lot 16 Conc 15 be approved, with condition as follows:

“That a grading plan for the severed parcel be submitted to the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority for technical clearance and Township for approval and that such approval is to be obtained prior to the final certification of any document for the transfer of the subject lands, with such plan to address:

- i) grading and drainage for the proposed development,
- ii) no adverse impacts to adjacent properties; and
- iii) safe and sufficient legal outlet for surface water runoff.”

CARRIED

McLACHLAN-COUTTS: That the planning meeting adjourn and regular meeting continue.

CARRIED.

DOG TAG RATES

The dog tag rates of each municipality were reviewed, and the following motion made.

JOHNSTON-McLACHLAN: That the dog tag charges be:

Dog #1	\$25.00 (Spayed/Neutered \$20.00)
Each Add. Dog	\$ 35.00 (Spayed/Neutered \$30.00)
Transfer of Tag	\$5.00
Replacement of Tag	\$5.00
Penalty	\$10.00 per dog

CARRIED

ABCA EMERGENCY FLOOD CONTACT

Correspondence was received requesting that the emergency flood contingency contact personnel update be reviewed. Council agreed that emergency contacts be listed as Mayor Hall, Works Manager Joe Adams and Administrator Shirley Scott.

ACCOUNTS

The accounts were reviewed as presented, and the following motion made.

HENDRICKX-COUTTS: That the accounts be paid as attached hereto:

Municipality of North Middlesex -	\$71,755.06
Village of Ailsa Craig	
General-	\$ 3,060.47
Roads -	\$ 2,401.34
Recreation -	\$ 3,102.59
Garbage -	\$ 539.86
East Williams -	\$ 5,458.69
McGillivray	\$13,283.87
West Williams	
General	\$ 11,427.08
Water	\$ 1,363.29
Parkhill	
General	\$ 26,216.90
EDC Comm	\$ 84.40
Cemetery	\$ 10.50
CCB	\$ 6,604.53
MTO	\$ 275.14

Carried.

Memberships were discussed again, and Council suggested only one membership per person.

There was also a request from the Treasurer to upgrade the computer printer to accommodate trays to hold 5000 bills. The additional cost was \$3,100.00. Council felt the extra cost could not be justified.

BY-LAW #9 of 2001 BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT DEPUTY DIVISION REGISTRAR’S AND DEPUTY ISSUER’S OF MARRIAGE LICENCES

Council was advised that by virtue of being the Clerk, Shirley Scott was automatically a Division Registrar and Issuer of Marriage Licences. Due to the two offices, permission has been requested to appoint two deputies, and the following by-law is required, appointing Jackie Tiedeman and Tanya Gregory..

BREBNER-McLACHLAN: That By-law #9 of 2001 being a by-law to appoint Deputy Division Registrar's and Deputy Issuer's of Marriage Licenses be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. CARRIED.

BY-LAW #10 OF 2001 BEING A BY-LAW APPOINTING A CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: That By-law #10 of 2001 being a by-law appointing a Chief Building Official for the Municipality of North Middlesex be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried.

BY-LAW #11 OF 2001 BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX

CONLIN-JOHNSTON: That By-law #11 of 2001 being a by-law to appoint By-law Enforcement Officers for the Municipality of North Middlesex be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The recommendations for the disposition of the correspondence was reviewed by Council. The following correspondence was reviewed by Council and filed for future reference.

1. Ontario Statute Citator – Offer to purchase publication of all bills passed.
2. Municipal Health & Safety Association – flyer
3. Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Native Affairs – implementation of Provincial Offences Act
4. Canadian Heritage – Canada Day Youth Award
5. WDO Link Newsletter
6. Ontario Superbuild report
7. National Strategy on Community Safety and Crime Prevention – bulletin

Council responded to the following correspondence as follows:

8. London Health Sciences Campaign – request for permission to allow lottery tickets to be sold in area

Council concurred with this request.

9. Ashley deJong and Mathew Cassidy – request for funding

Council agreed to refer this request to budget

10. Ministry of Citizenship Culture and Recreation – Volunteer Service Awards

Councillor Coutts suggested nominations be made

11. Craigweil Gardens – Inquiry of sending newsletter

Councillor Johnston wished to receive this newsletter

BREBNER-JOHNSTON: To accept correspondence package 1-11 and the recommendations as ordered. CARRIED

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Johnston circulated information on the excess lands, to be considered at a later date. Other information was also circulated for review. He advised that a Policing meeting would be held in Ailsa Craig on January 29th, 2001.

BY-LAW #13 OF 2001 TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDING OF JANUARY 15, 2001

McLACHLAN-HENDRIKX: That By-law #13 of 2001, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of January 15,2001, be accepted.
CARRIED

HENDRIKX-McLACHLAN: That the meeting adjourn.
CARRIED

The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

ADMINISTRATOR