

MINUTES

Previous to the opening of the meeting an Open House was conducted. All council members, except Michael Conlin, along with MPP John Richardson, MP Bert Johnson and Warden of Middlesex County Al Edmonson cut the ribbon to the newly renovated building.

Inaugural ceremonies were then conducted. Mayor Hall welcomed all present. The ceremonies began with the singing of O'Canada. Clerk Scott introduced everyone, then conducted the swearing in of all members. Bob Scrimgeour gave an inspirational message and wished all members well. Congratulations and best wishes were extended by MPP-John Richardson, MP Bert Johnson and Warden Al Edmonson. Mayor Hall presented words of encouragement to the new council of North Middlesex.

The first meeting of the Municipality of North Middlesex commenced on January 3, 2001, in the Council Chambers of North Middlesex on 229 Main Street, Parkhill.

Those present were: CHUCK HALL – MAYOR
IAN BREBNER – DEPUTY MAYOR
MARYSIA COUTTS – COUNCILLOR WARD 1
KEN JOHNSTON – COUNCILLOR WARD 2
MICHAEL CONLIN – COUNCILLOR WARD 3
LAWRENCE MCLACHLAN – COUNCILLOR WARD 4
LUCY HENDRIKX – COUNCILLOR WARD 5
SHIRLEY SCOTT – ADMINISTRATOR
JOE ADAMS – PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTEND.
SCOTT NICKLES – RECREATION MANAGER
PLUS AN ATTENDANCE OF APPROX. 25

The following pecuniary interest was declared.

I, Lawrence McLachlan declare a conflict of interest regarding the on site meeting for McLachlan and Currie Drain.

RENTAL OF RECREATION FACILITIES

Scott Nickles – Recreation Manager advised that he had conducted a price review on the halls. He suggested GST would now have to be applied to all facilities. All facilities are to be rented at the usual rate until further notice.

OSTAR FUNDING

Joe Adams, Public Works Superintendent advised that the grants are moving ahead as permissible. A provincial letter has been received by each municipality. Efforts are now being made to acquire two applications, due to early application before we were one municipality. Further information will be submitted at a future meeting.

REDECORATING OF OFFICES

A quotation from Decorator Touch for window blinds was reviewed, and the following motion made.

BREBNER-MCLACHLAN: That the quote from Decorator Touch in the amount of \$2,854.30 including GST for window blinds be accepted. Carried

ACCOUNTS

Accounts were reviewed from each municipality and the following motion made.

HENDRIKX-CONLIN: That the accounts be paid as attached. Carried

BY-LAW #1 of 2001 – APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

JOHNSTON-MCLACHLAN: That By-law #1 of 2001, being a by-law to appoint municipal officials be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried

BY-LAW #2 OF 2001 – BORROWING BY-LAW

BREBNER-MCLACHLAN: That by-law #2 of 2001, being a by-law for borrowing throughout the year be read a first, second and third time and finally passed and that signing authority cards be filled out appropriately. Carried

BY-LAW #3 OF 2001 – COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

BREBNER-MCLACHLAN: That By-law #3 of 2001, being a by-law to appoint Committee of Adjustment be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried

BY-LAW #4 OF 2001 – PENALTY CHARGES

HENDRIKX-CONLIN: That by-law #4 of 2001, being a by-law to establish penalty charges be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried

BY-LAW #5 OF 2001 - OMERS

COUTTS-HENDRIKX: That by-law #5 of 2001, being a by-law to allow participation by employees in the OMERS plan, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried

BY-LAW#6 OF 2001 – TDL DEBENTURE 01-01

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: That by-law #6 of 2001, being a by-law for borrowing of TDL debenture, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed. Carried

MCLACHLAN CURRIE DRAIN

Pecuniary interest from Lawrence McLachlan was read.

Notice of site meeting in the McLachlan Currie Drain was circulated.

CLOSED SESSION

COUTTS-HENDRIKX: That Council adjourn for a closed session to deal with personnel issues at 4:20 p.m. with Council and Department Heads. Carried

MCLACHLAN-BREBNER: That Council move back into open session at 5:10 p.m. Carried

The following motions were brought forth from the closed session:

HENDRIKX-CONLIN: That the Municipality of North Middlesex set the rates of pay for Operator 1, temporary part time and temporary call in Roads Employees be set as discussed in closed session. That we also pay the new arena staff member as discussed. Carried

HENDRIKX-CONLIN: That the recommendations from the closed session be accepted. Carried

BREBNER-MCLACHLAN: That the meeting adjourn at 5:20 p.m. Carried

MAYOR

ADMINISTRATOR CLERK