

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday March 16, 2016 in the Council Chambers, Shared Services Centre, 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhill with a quorum present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Due to Mayor Shipways' absence, Deputy Mayor Ropp presided over the meeting.

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Don Shipway-Absent

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

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION #089/16

MOIR/NICHOL: That the March 2, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

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5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

7:00 P.M. Court of Revisions-Eagleson/Steeper Drain

MOTION #090/2016

MOIR/HEMMING: That Council directs staff to proceed with Court of Revision as required by the Drainage Act, 1990, Section 46 for the Eagleson-Steeper Drain 2016 CARRIED

MOTION #091/2016

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That Deputy Mayor Ropp, Councillor Moir and Councillor Hemming be appointed to Committee for Court of Revisions.

CARRIED

MOTION #092/2016

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That Regular Meeting adjourn to Court of Revisions at 7:00p.m.

CARRIED

See separate minutes for Court of Revision

MOTION #093/2016

MOIR/HEMMING: That Court of Revisions adjourn to Meeting to Consider at 7:05p.m. CARRIED

7:05 P.M. MEETING TO CONSIDER-Nairn Van Deuren Drain 2016

Nairn-Van Deuren Drain 2016 – Armin Kuspel from Spriet Associates was present to describe the scope of the drain work.

Drainage Superintendent, Glen Bullock, then reviewed his report

MOTION #94/2016

CORNELISSEN/HEMMING: That Council adopt the Final Report on the Nairn VanDeuren Drain 2016 prepared by Spriet Associates and to give two readings for the Provisional By-law as Section 45(1) of the *Drainage Act*, 1990.

CARRIED

MOTION #95/2016

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That Meeting to Consider adjourn and return to Regular Meeting at 7:13 p.m.

CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS

Natalie Core, Economic Development Co-ordinator, then introduced Trudy Parsons from MDB Insight on the presentation of the final report for the Economic Development Strategy.

Ms. Parsons thanked Council for their commitment to this project. She opened her presentation with the Economic Vision for North Middlesex:

"North Middlesex is known for its diversified, export focused agricultural sector; two vibrant Downtown commercial centres underpinned by small business and entrepreneurship; and ongoing residential and employment growth supporting an increase in population and economic opportunity"

The six Strategic Priorities are identified as:

- Build the economic development capacity in North Middlesex
- Infrastructure for industry and residents (including high speed internet availability)
- Ensure the community is attractive to new residents and businesses
- Business retention and expansion and supporting entrepreneurship
- Marketing and promotion of North Middlesex
- Ensure sustainable residential housing growth and diversity

The key to ensure the action plan is working is tracking its progress and communicating this to the community from start to finish.

Some questions were then asked by Council and responded to by Ms. Parsons.

Deputy Mayor Ropp thanked both MDB Insight and Natalie Core for all their work with this project as well as with the Economic Development Committee.

7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

MOTION #096/2016

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That the following bills and accounts be approved for payment:

General \$312,321.29 Ont Hydro \$ 1,804.03

CARRIED

8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Report from Economic Development Coordinator, Natalie Core

MOTION #097/2016

CORNELISSEN/MOIR: That Council considers approving the Final Economic Development Strategy prepared by MDB Insight dated March 16, 2016.

CARRIED

b. Report from Public Works Superintendent - Surplus Equipment

MOTION #98/2016

CORNELISSEN/MCLINCHEY: That the staff report regarding the surplus equipment be received by Council;

and further that Council direct staff to proceed with disposal of equipment using Option B: Advertise (website, kijiji, newspaper) with an offer to purchase. This would consist of closed offers and a deadline.

CARRIED

c. Report from Drainage Superintendent -Fencing of Parkhill Lagoon

An amended motion was then brought forth:

MOTION #099/2016

CORNELISSEN/MOIR: That Council directs staff to have installed 440 meters of 9-strand galvanized page wire fencing on 6 inch x 8 foot cedar posts along with one 7 foot heavy steel post, including braces and labour, for an amount of approximately \$7,700 (excluding taxes) to replace the current fencing in disrepair at the Parkhill lagoon;

And further that "No Trespassing" signs be installed in accordance with Ontario's *Trespass to Property Act*, 1990 on the perimeter of the Parkhill lagoon property at appropriate distances.

CARRIED

d. Report from Water Manager – 2015 Water Annual Report and Summary Report

MOTION #100/2016

HEMMING/MOIR: That Council receives and files the 2015 Water Annual Report and Summary Report as required by O. Reg. 170/03 Section 11 of the Safe Drinking Water Act. 2002:

And further that both reports be made available for review by the public on the Municipality's website and upon request at the Municipal Office counter.

CARRIED

e. Report from Acting Tax Collector - Commercial/Industrial Tax Rebate Request

MOTION #101/2016

MCLINCHEY/NICHOL: That Council authorizes the Treasurer to proceed with the Commercial and Industrial Tax Rebate for the entire year of 2015 for the following:

Roll Number 39 54 042 010 197 03 0000

Roll Number 39 54 000 020 070 00 0000

and further that staff be directed to proceed with the Commercial and Industrial Tax Rebate for January 1 – June 30, 2015 for Roll Number 39 54 052 020 121 00 0000 CARRIED

f. Report from Clerk - Procedural By-law

MOTION#102/2016

HEMMING/NICHOL: That Council receives the Procedural By-law Report from the Administration Department;

and that the final By-law, as presented or in substantially the same form be considered for all three readings.

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Economic Development Committee - Minutes from February 8, 2016

MOTION #103/2016

MOIR/HEMMING: That the minutes from February 8, 2016 be received and filed CARRIED

b. Economic Development Committee – Minutes from February 29, 2016

MOTION #104/2016

NICHOL/CORNELISSEN: That the minutes from February 29, 2016 be received and filed.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Thank you card from the family of Ken Johnston (action: receive and file)

b. Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs – 2016 Senior of the Year Award (action: Council to submit name to Clerk for submission – deadline April 30)

c. Township of Adelaide Metcalfe – Notice of Public Meeting for Zoning By-law Amendment

(action: receive and file)

d. Crest Support Service - Family Fun Day

(action: Council direct staff to send Promotional Basket)

- e. Media Update regarding Huron County Health Unit Health Concerns from IWT's (action: receive and file)
- f. Request from resident to waive fee on planning application

MOTION #105/2016

MOIR/HEMMING: That Council waives the fee on the second minor variance.

DEFEATED

(Action: As a result of the motion being defeated, staff was directed to notify the resident of the decision)

MOTION #106/2016

NICHOL/CORNELISSEN: That the correspondence a-f with actions as noted be accepted.

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Clerk Jackie Tiedeman advised Council that a Public Meeting will be held during the April 6 Regular Council Meeting at 8:15 p.m. for the purpose of allowing public an opportunity to ask questions about the 2016 Draft Operations and Capital Budget. The auditor will be presenting the 2015 Financial Statements at 7:45 p.m.

A discussion then ensued by Council regarding Correspondence (f) and how situations like this may be avoided in the future. Council subsequently directed staff to prepare a report for their consideration at an upcoming meeting which would outline different scenarios in which a legal land survey should be a mandatory requirement.

12. CLOSED MEETING (UNDER SECTION 239 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT) None

13. RISE AND REPORT (if required)

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CLERK

DEPUTY MAYOR