

**MARCH 19, 2001    MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX    7:00 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

The Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex met on March 19, 2001 for their regular meeting.

Those present were: MAYOR CHUCK HALL  
DEPUTY MAYOR IAN BREBNER  
COUNCILLOR MARYSIA COUTTS-WARD 1  
COUNCILLOR KEN JOHNSTON-WARD 2  
COUNCILLOR MICHAEL CONLIN-WARD 3  
COUNCILLOR LAWRENCE MCLACHLAN-WARD 4  
COUNCILLOR LUCY HENDRIKX-WARD 5  
ADMINISTRATOR CLERK SHIRLEY SCOTT  
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT J. ADAMS

No pecuniary interest was declared.

**MINUTES**

The minutes were reviewed and the following motion made.

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting minutes from March 5, 2001 printed and delivered to each member be adopted as if read.  
CARRIED

**STRATEGIC PLAN**

Deputy Reeve Brebner reported that he, Lawrence McLachlan, Barb Rosser and Shirley Scott met to discuss the process of developing a strategic plan, an official plan and a zoning by-law.

It was recommended that :

- the committee develop terms of reference for Council approval
- proposals be invited from consultants
- Barb Rosser, be appointed to work with the consultant, along with Jackie, and that Shirley attend the meetings as well.
- That a central location be used, such as the Goal Post, in an evening, or Saturday; or a time suggested by the consultant
- The committee (Ian and Lawrence) work with focus groups, steering committees (Department Heads), workshops, etc. Citizens will be asked to be on groups (three from agriculture- with a variety of interests such as livestock, cash crop; and two from business, recreation and others).

After a thorough discussion the following motion was made.

CONLIN-JOHNSTON: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Administrator Clerk regarding the Strategic Plan be accepted.

CARRIED

The Terms of Reference are to be sent to those consultants recommended by Barb Rosser and the Committee.

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**COUNTY:** Deputy Mayor Brebner advised that a "Nutrient Management" workshop was being organized by the County of Middlesex. He volunteered to attend and advise.

**ABCA:** Deputy Mayor Brebner then reported that the ABCA levy would increase by 10% in 2001, and again in 2002. \$32,000 would be taken from reserves to cover projects this year.

The subject of Parkhill Floodplain Mapping was discussed. It was suggested that Manager Tom Prout ask for tenders on this project. The following motion was then made.

**COUTTS-BREBNER:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tendering process be started for the 2 stage mapping for flood plain, so we might be prepared if a grant becomes available.  
CARRIED

Mr. Brebner reported that a weighted vote was not permissible unless we were prepared to lobby parliament.

**NORTH MIDDLESEX FIRE BOARD:** Councillor Johnston reported that a budget would be discussed at the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MUNICIPAL DAY:** Councillor Johnston asked that information be turned in for Power Point presentation. The gift selected for guests was a marker.

**AILSA CRAIG POLICE COMMITTEE:** Councillor Johnston reported that the Ailsa Craig Police Committee had developed a mission statement. The constitution and minutes were reviewed.

**SATELLITE OFFICE:** The use of the facility was discussed. It was suggested that a log book be placed on the counter in order to monitor the use of the facility.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Councillor Hendrikx reported that an ad will be placed to hire a person in Ailsa Craig to circulate the keys, help in the kitchen, etc. There has been a concern placed regarding the eavestrough at the Parkhill Arena facility. The eavestrough will be re-strapped, when the weather permits. The job is covered by insurance and has been started, but due to weather conditions, was delayed.

Public Works Superintendent Adams reported that the municipality may consider catch basins to help remove the run off. These would have to be placed on the neighbours property, therefore an agreement would have to be drawn. It was suggested that a site meeting be conducted, inviting those affected, and the purpose be to negotiate a possible solution.

**HENDRIKX-CONLIN:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hold a site meeting at the neighbouring properties on the north side of the North Middlesex Arena and Parking Lot.  
CARRIED

**HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Councillor Coutts advised that the Health Advisory Committee met, and it was determined North Middlesex can be considered an under serviced area. It was emphasized that this is actually an international problem. Recruitment is necessary, but at the same time, those that are here must remain happy, so as not to lose their services. It is the area that must be sold.

Councillor Johnston then added that a focus group has developed in Ailsa Craig to concentrate on hiring a physician – now. Deputy Mayor Brebner cautioned that Council must be careful of the financial implications. Mayor Hall suggested that attention be paid to the “George Report”, which is to be released soon. The focus of the report is on rural health deficiencies.

**BLUEWATER RECYCLING:** It was clarified that in order to have a recycling box replaced, available parts and pieces must be turned in. Deputy Mayor Brebner advised that bags with “Arkona” stickers were being accepted by Bluewater. It was suggested that they be made aware that Arkona is not a part of North Middlesex.

## **CLERKS REPORT**

- Council were advised of various rural workshops series organized by University of Guelph and Ontario Ministry of Agriculture
- Undesignated jobs were distributed among various members of the existing staff
- West Williams Neighbourhood Watch Committee requested to order signs through the municipality

BREBNER-MCLACHLAN: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the West Williams Neighbourhood Watch Committee be permitted to order signs through North Middlesex with the costs to be paid by the Neighbourhood Watch Committee.

CARRIED

- Middlesex Municipal Association Day was set for April 5, 2001. Council was asked to give direction regarding invitations.

## **PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

-information required in order to submit the gravel tender was discussed, for tenders to close March 30<sup>th</sup>, with approval by Council on April 2.

CONLIN-MCLACHLAN: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Roads Department to tender for our gravel needs at this time for approval at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> regular meeting.

CARRIED

Mr. Adams advised that there needed to be direction given at the next meeting regarding dust control.

## **REZONING FOR PT LOT 13 CONC7 FORMER WEST WILLIAMS**

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Public Meeting be held to consider rezoning part Lot 13 Conc 7 (former West Williams) from General Agriculture (A1-4) to Farm Industrial (M2) to accommodate expansion for pre cast concrete forming, 8:30 p.m.

CARRIED

In addition to those present at the regular meeting there was also applicant Joe and Joanne Van Bree, Allan and Beth Nethercott, Jack , Rita, John and Keith Campbell. Planner B. Rosser and By Law Enforcement Officer Vic Stellingwerf were also present.

Administrator Scott advised that circulation according to the provisions of the Planning Act, had been followed.

Correspondence was received from County of Middlesex advising that so long as Section 3.3.3k, of the County Official Plan is being satisfied, there are no objections to the rezoning. Although the proposed entrance does not comply, it can be addressed through site plan control.

The ABCA advised the lands are not subject to Fill, Construction and Alterations of Waterways Regulations; no concerns regarding natural heritage policies; regarding septic systems, it is stated that before new building construction can occur, ABCA must be provided with:

- i) detailed site plan
- ii) detailed building plan in order to determine total daily sanitary sewage flow
- iii) a new sewage system shall be required.

Therefore, the ABCA do not object, however, site plan control is recommended.

Planner B. Rosser recommended that regard be taken to Section 2.1.8 of former West Williams Official Plan, which relates to agriculturally related commercial and industrial development within agriculture designation; especially sections relating to vehicular access, services and storm drainage. Detailed drawings in accordance with Section 41 are required. A site plan agreement will be prepared, entered into and registered by the applicant. Future changes, not reflected in site plan control will have to be approved by Council.

Those present commented on the birm devaluating their lands. It was suggested a cedar tree hedge be used rather than a pile of dirt. The ponds were discussed. It was made clear that the excess water would go the same place as it did previously. Deputy Mayor Brebner questioned that all cement made would be used on their own site, and Mr. Van Bree confirmed it would be. It was clarified that it was permissible to store the excavating equipment in the rear yard. Clarification was made that the back of the property would remain agriculture and the front only rezoned in regard to the application. When the building of a home was mentioned, Planner B. Rosser stated this would not effect the location, only the neighbouring pig barn would. The noise factor was questioned, and Mr. Van Bree assured those present it was a quiet operation. The sign was also discussed briefly.

CONLIN-HENDRIKX: BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No.26 of 2001, being a By-law to amend By-law No. 12-90, as amended, of the former Township of West Williams be read a first, second, third time and finally passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2001, subject to an amendment to the proposed Section 10.3.1 b) to stipulate that the permitted uses are the only uses permitted within the M2-1 zone.

CARRIED

The applicant was advised that there was an appeal period of 20 days on the rezoning of lands. Those present were thanked for attending.

BREBNER-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning Meeting adjourn to regular Council meeting at 9:08 p.m.

CARRIED

Keith Campbell requested that Jack Campbell be advised and attend discussions relating to site plan agreement.

### **PARKING ISSUES IN PARKHILL**

Correspondence was received bringing to Councils attention illegal parking habits on the corner of Hastings and Main. When the capability of enforcing was questioned, Council was assured that By-laws were in place to issue tickets in the Town of Parkhill.

Council directed the Public Works Superintendent to discuss location of signs in the area with the County of Middlesex. After a thorough discussion the following motion was made.

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct our By-law Enforcement officer to keep a closer eye to parking violations in front of the CIBC Bank and the Library no parking zones.

CARRIED

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee proceed in camera in order to address a matter pertaining to security of the property of the municipality or local Boards.

CARRIED

### **IN CAMERA**

MCLACHLAN-BREBNER: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex adjourn the in camera session @ 11:10 p.m.

CARRIED

As a result of the in camera session, the following motions were accepted.

### **JOHN STREET FORMER AILSA CRAIG**

MCLACHLAN-BREBNER: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of North Middlesex declare Pt Lot 1 & 2 RP3R13546 in Ailsa Craig surplus.

CARRIED

### **WONNACOTT OMB HEARING**

COUTTS-HENDRIKX: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize Robert Dack to enter into a discussion with the Wonnacott's in an attempt to avoid an OMB hearing

CARRIED

### **PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Pricing on the 1998 Trackless MT5 Tractor unit, used this season by North Middlesex, was reviewed. After discussions the following motion was made.

BREBNER-JOHNSTON: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Joe Adams be authorized to get a firm price on a trackless 1998 demo unit.

CARRIED

Waterline construction for 2001, was reviewed. Council were advised that Certificate of Approval with the support of an engineers report would be required for a loop in East Williams and the construction of a line in McGillivray. The following motion was made.

CONLIN-HENDRIKX: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Road's Superintendent to hire Bill Boussey for waterline construction drawings.

CARRIED

## **PARKHILL CEMETERY GRASS CUTTING**

Council directed Administrator Scott to submit a tender for grass cutting at Parkhill Cemetery.

## **COMMITTEES**

Due to the discussion required regarding structure of Committees, the matter was deferred to a future meeting.

CONLIN-JOHNSTON: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council call a Special Meeting for Monday March 26 to continue the Agenda from today, meet with Nairn Devco Corporation, and a report from Robert Dack.

CARRIED

## **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

HENDRIKX-COUTTS: BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #27 of 2001 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Municipality of North Middlesex at meeting held on March 19, 2001 be read a first, second, third time and finally passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001.

CARRIED

COUTTS-HENDRIKX: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council adjourn at 11:25 p.m.

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MAYOR

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ADMINISTRATOR CLERK