

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday March 5, 2014 in the 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 Linda Creaghe
Clerk Jackie Tiedeman

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOIR/ROPP: That Regular Meeting minutes of February 19, 2014 and Court of Revisions Minutes dated February 19, 2014 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC MEETING - Planning

HALL/CORNELISSEN: That regular meeting adjourn to Committee of Adjustment at 7:15 p.m.

CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS

7:30 P.M. - Dan Byelis

Mr. Byelis provided a demonstration of a video he had produced for South Huron a few years ago which was a business, tourism and promotional type video. Mr. Byelis was thanked for his presentation and the following motion was then introduced:

HEMMING/MCLINCHEY: That the promotional video idea be referred to the EDC Committee for consideration

CARRIED

7:45 P.M. – Dillon Consulting

Jason Johnson and Luc Begin from Dillon Consulting presented the final document for the Asset Management Plan. A brief overview of the document was viewed which includes a GIS mapping component. It contains a log of where the infrastructure is located within the municipality, camera shots, description of the product, when it was constructed or when maintenance was done as well as many other important features. Council was very impressed with the product and feel it will be very beneficial moving forward.

HALL/MOIR: That Council approves the Asset Management Plan Final Report dated March 2014, as presented.

CARRIED

7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

- a. Report on the compilation of the bills and accounts for the period to February 28, 2014

HALL/MCLINCHEY: That Council approve the following bills and account for payment:

General	\$317,783.65
Cemetery	\$ 73.20
Hydro One	\$ 2,797.22

CARRIED

8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a) Report from Chief Administrative Officer – Hiring Steering Committee

MCLINCHEY/CORNELISSEN: That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor Hemming be appointed to the Hiring Steering Committee.

CARRIED

- b) Report from Chief Administrative Officer – Fire Chief/Health & Safety Co-ordinator/CEMC

Councillor Cornelissen commented that the Fire Chiefs position was on the agenda for the next fire committee meeting and felt that this report should be tabled until after this meeting so that the committee has all the necessary information in order to make a recommendation on this potential position.

CORNELISSEN/ROPP: That this report be deferred until March 19th council meeting.

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Association of Municipalities of Ontario – 2014 Councillor Training – Council Challenges Workshop (action: receive and file)
- b) Nextera Energy – Notice of Change to a Renewable Energy Project (action: receive and file)
- c) Ausable Bayfield Conservation – Invitation to attend 2014 Conservation Awards (Action: RVSP if attending)
- d) Town of Arnprior- requesting support for a resolution pertaining to the electricity rates.

MOIR/HEMMING: That the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex support the resolution be supported from the Town of Arnprior:

“WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior recognizes that increased electricity rates are challenging for the economic competitiveness of the Town of Arnprior and its residents;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew passed a resolution on November 27, 2013 encouraging the Government of Ontario to ensure that our electricity rates both in the short and long term allow our businesses to remain competitive in a global environment and ensure that the vulnerable residents of our communities are not overburdened by ever-increasing electricity rates;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior supports the County of Renfrew in its attempt to encourage the Government of Ontario to not approve any further rate increases for electricity;

AND WHEREAS it is estimated that electricity costs will increase by approximately 50% within the next five years;

AND WHEREAS an increase in electricity rates by the Ontario Energy Board will exacerbate an existing problem for industry and consumers with low or fixed incomes in Arnprior;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arnprior urges in the strongest possible way that the Government of Ontario ensures that electricity rates both in the short and long term, allow our businesses to remain competitive in a global environment and ensure that the vulnerable residents of our communities are not overburdened by ever-increasing electricity rates:

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, the Ontario Energy Board, the Ontario Power Authority, Associations of Municipalities (AMO) MPP John Yakabuski, Ontario municipalities and Local municipalities in Renfrew County for support;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arnprior urges the Ontario Energy Board in the strongest possible way not to approve any further rate increases for electricity”

CARRIED

e) Ontario Small Urban Municipalities – 2014 OSUM Conference and Trade Show (action: receive and file)

f) Lake Huron Primary Water Supply System – 2013 Annual Report (action: receive and file)

HEMMING/HALL: That the correspondence and actions as presented be accepted.

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Additional Item

a) Report from Spriet Associates – Parkhill Rink Slab Replacement

CAO, Linda Creaghe, updated Council on the matter of the tender results and the conflict of interest outcome for the tender. Norlon Builders tender has been disqualified due to conflict of interest.

ROPP/MOIR: That Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex hereby accepts the tender from Brennenco Construction in the amount of \$528,630.00 for the rink replacement.

CARRIED

12. IN CAMERA

ROPP/MCLINCHEY: That the regular meeting adjourn to in camera at 8:15 p.m. for the following purpose:

- a) Labour relations or employee negotiations
- b) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege

CARRIED

13. RISE AND REPORT

Council rose with no report at 9:10 p.m.

14. READING OF BY-LAWS

- a) By-law #14 of 2014 – Confirming By-law

HALL/MCLINCHEY: That By-law #14 of 2014 be read a first and second time
CARRIED

MOIR/CORNELISSEN: That By-law #14 of 2014 be read a third and final time.
CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

ROPP/HEMMING: That the meeting adjourn at 9:16 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK