



MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday May 17, 2017 in the Council Chambers, Shared Services Centre, 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhill with a quorum present.

A special ceremony was held prior to the Council Meeting to honour the first two recipients of the Sesquicentennial Awards. The Chair of the committee, Jackie Wells, made the following presentations: Arts and Culture Award was presented to the Ailsa Craig Community Quilt Festival and Athletics Award to Melanie McCann.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shipway called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Don Shipway

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

Clerk, Jackie Tiedeman

Director of Finance and Administrative Services/Treasurer, Nandini Syed

Director of Infrastructure and Operations, Jonathon Graham

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Ropp declared a conflict of interest regarding the delegation scheduled at 7:25 p.m. with Brian McLachlan.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a. May 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION#157/2017

MOIR/MCLINCHEY: That the May 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

6. DELEGATION

7:15 p.m. – Colin VanDam attended Council as representative of landowners at 109, 111, 113, 115 and 117 Mill Street, Parkhill. The landowners are interested in obtaining a parcel of land (unopened municipal road allowance) that abuts their properties at the rear yard.

Mayor Shipway indicated to Mr. VanDam that if council was agreeable to this request that all abutting landowners would have to agree and share in the costs which would include a survey and legal costs. Mr. VanDam agreed that this would be their understanding as well.

MOTION #158/2017

CORNELISSEN/ROPP: That staff be directed to prepare a report outlining the process, approximate costs and feasibility of this request for council consideration.

CARRIED

7:25 p.m. Brian McLachlan – Proposed poultry operation on Petty Street

Deputy Mayor Ropp declared a conflict of interest and departed the meeting.

John Vermunt and James Tomes attended Council on behalf of this delegation request. They concerns related to the proposed high density poultry operation:

- Potential well water contamination
- Storage of manure inside and outside
- What environmental measures are being put into place?
- Concerns with potential noise and pollution
- Increased truck traffic

- Beechwood Agri-Services needed an additional access – does this project require additional access?
- What berming and light control measures will there be?

The delegation indicated that the owners had been in contact with the neighbours, however, it appeared that different information was provided at that time. They also felt that their property values will be negatively impacted and that this is not a “family farm”.

Mr. Vermunt indicated that in his opinion the bird flu should be a concern due to the high density of this operation. The delegation felt the owner should think about another location for this operation rather than in the area of the 10-12 houses. At a minimum they would like to see berming and tree plantings if this proposal has to go forward.

Council understood the concerns expressed, however, as long as the By-laws and regulations relating to this development are met, the municipality has no choice but to issue building permits.

Councillor Hemming suggested that the owners of the land meet with the neighbours as a group to hear their concerns.

It was clarified by staff that the Municipality cannot request the berm or tree planting as there is no site plan agreement required for this type of intensive livestock operation, however, it could be suggested.

The delegation was thanked for attending. It was suggested that staff facilitate a meeting with the landowners to discuss these concerns.

Deputy Mayor Ropp then returned to the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Report from Director of Infrastructure and Operations – Results of Pavement Tender/Contract.

MOTION #159/2017

ROPP/NICHOL: That Council awards the Asphalt Tender RD4-2017 to Coco Paving Inc for 8.2 km with a quantity of 6750 tonnes +/- at a per unit cost of \$80.41 for a total amount of 542,767.50

CARRIED

Staff assured Council that there will be quality control measures in place for this project.

b. Report from Director of Infrastructure and Operations – Drainage Division:
Acceptance of a Petition for Con 17 Lots 4,5,6 Ward 5

MOTION #160/2017

MOIR/HEMMING: That Council accept the petition for a new municipal drain report;

And further that Council receive the petition from property owner of Con 17, Lots 4,5,6 and forward the petition to R. Dobbin Engineering for validation under the *Drainage Act*.

CARRIED

b. Report from Director of Infrastructure and Operations – Drainage Division:
Appointment of Engineer Lynn Drain.

MOTION #161/2017

CORNELISSEN/MCLINCHEY: That Council accept the Appointment of Engineer report;

And further that Council accept the recommendation to appoint Dietrich Engineering Limited to continue with the work on the Lynn Drain.

CARRIED

c. Report from Director of Infrastructure and Operations – Lease agreement with Friends of the Carnegie Library.

Staff presented the draft agreement report for council consideration. At the present time, it has been relayed to staff that there does not appear to be a consensus of the group to proceed with signing of the agreement as presented.

Councillor McLinchey questioned the wording to Motion #326/2016 and in particular “and further that no municipal funds are to be spent”

Staff advised that this was the correct wording taken from the motion. Councillor Cornelissen agreed that the wording of the motion was correctly provided.

It was also clarified that the *Landlord Tenant Act* would provide guidance as to what the Landlord (Municipality) is required to do as well as the *Building Code Act*. If there were structural repairs the Landlord would be responsible. Maintenance items would include windows and furnace and would be the tenants’ responsibility. The current ramp meets code and provides accessible access. The bathrooms are currently not accessible and will have to be by the required timeline. Staff will get clarification as to whether it is 2021 or 2025.

Deputy Mayor Ropp advised that all upcoming agreements with tenants or organizations will be undergoing the same process which will apply a standard template approach.

Clerk Jackie Tiedeman suggested that if Council is content that staff prepared this agreement, in its current form, according to direction by Council (through motion and also knowing that all agreements are being standardized moving forward) that the recommendation may be amended. It would provide direction to staff to present the agreement to the Friends of the Carnegie Library and not proceed with the By-law at this meeting. The organization will then have to decide whether they are prepared to accept the terms of the agreement knowing that this version is council approved.

Councillor McLinchey also questioned the availability of funds from the Parkhill Hydro Proceeds. Clerk Jackie Tiedeman suggested that the minutes of this committee be reviewed for guidance as to where the funds were allocated. This Committee was asked to finalize allocations by the end of 2014.

MOTION #162/2017

MCLINCHEY/MOIR: That Council receive the report regarding the Lease Agreement with the Friends of the Carnegie Library;

And further that the agreement, in its current form, be presented to the group for their execution.

CARRIED

e. Report from Administration - Procedures for AODA policies

MOTION #163/2017

MOIR/CORNELISSEN: That the report entitled Accessibility Policy Procedures be received;

And that Council formally adopt these procedures as a guiding documents for implementing the Accessibility Policy.

CARRIED

f. Report from Administration – Proposed Changes to Sesquicentennial Awards Committee By-law

MOTION #164/2017

MCLINCHEY/NICHOL: That Council receive the Sesquicentennial Awards and Ad Hoc Advisory Committee report for proposed changes to By-law as submitted;

MOTION #164/2017 cont'd

And further that the By-law to authorize these proposed amendments to the Sesquicentennial Awards Program and Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee be considered for passage.

CARRIED

g. Report from Administration – Proposed By-law and Terms of Reference for the Local School Advisory Committee

MOTION #165/2017

ROPP/MOIR: That Council receive the report entitled Local Schools Advisory Committee and Terms of Reference By-law as submitted;

And further that the By-law be considered for passage.

CARRIED

8. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

a. Compilation of accounts to May 11, 2017

MOTION #166/2017

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That the following bills and accounts be approved for payment:

General Cheques	\$190,194.73
General Direct Deposit	\$289,133.81
Cemetery Direct Deposit	\$ 293.80

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Local School Advisory Committee – Cr. Moir advised that the Committee has a meeting scheduled for May 18, 2017.

b. North Middlesex Policing Committee – Minutes from March 7, 2017 (Receive and File)

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Township of Essa – Request for resolution endorsement –new driver safety signs (action: receive and file)

b. Township of North Frontenac – request for support – hydro reduction for seasonal residents.

(action: Receive and File)

c. Lanark County – request for provincial support – Opioid Strategy

MOTION #167/2017

NICHOL/MCLINCHEY: That the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex supports the following motion from Lanark County to request Provincial Support regarding Opioid Strategy:

“ Whereas communities across the Province and country are responding to the escalating risk of opioid overdoses and deaths;

And whereas Ontario alone has witnessed 13 years of increasing deaths due to opioid overdoses to the point that deaths related to such overdoses are now double those from motor vehicle collisions (excerpt from Prescription for Life www.drugstrategy.com);

And whereas according to the Regional Supervising Coroner East Region, Leeds, Grenville and Lanark (LGL), our region is not immune to the opioid problem, as there were 24 opioid related deaths between 2010 and 2014 as well as 7 suspected opioid related deaths in the region in the past 12 months, and individuals participating in the Public Health Unit Harm Reduction Program have reported 23 non-fatal opioid related overdoses in the past 6 months;

And whereas opioids, such as morphine and fentanyl patches, are prescribed by physicians to treat pain;

And whereas fentanyl patches and other opioid pills are being diverted from their initial purpose, and are being sold illicitly to be smoked, chewed, ingested or injected for a high, which over time, requires more and more opioid to get the same high, which leads to overdose and potentially death;

And whereas a particular concern with fentanyl patches, including illicit fentanyl and its related analogues, is that these drugs are available and easily imported illegally from other countries, and the amount of fentanyl varies on each portion of the patch leading to a higher risk of overdose;

And whereas illicit fentanyl has been confirmed in many other street drugs such as heroin, fake oxycontin pills, cocaine, and crystal meth;

And whereas police in our area have reported seizing diverted fentanyl (an opioid) patches, illicit fentanyl, and drugs laced with fentanyl;

And whereas the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit is working with the community to develop a community response plan to the opioid situation in collaboration with many stakeholders including police, fire, EMS, community organizations, municipalities, health service providers, and the education sector;

And whereas the Health Unit has the lead in expanding surveillance of the problem, ensuring individuals who are using opioids and their family/friends have access to naloxone which can reverse respiratory failure from an overdose, and providing

information and education to the public, in addition to working with municipalities and the community on the social determinants of health such as poverty, unemployment, lack of social supports and inadequate housing, that can have negative impact on the health of individuals and communities, as well as address the underlying root causes of substance misuse;

And whereas in October 2016 the Honourable Minister of Health and Long Term Care, Dr. Eric Hoskins announced the Ontario Provincial Opioid Strategy to tackle the public health crisis related to problematic use of opioids by looking at multiple sectors including physician prescribing, overdose monitoring, opioid prescription monitoring, and enhancing harm reduction and addiction services;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the County of Lanark respectfully requests the provincial government to enhance our local response to the opioid problem in our community, by enacting the following:

- Ensure all first responders, including police and fire, have access to provincially funded naloxone that can reverse an opioid overdose, and training in its use, due to the fact that in our rural region volunteer firefighters are often the first ones on the scene of an opioid overdose and it is critical that the individual (s) who has overdosed receive naloxone as soon as possible to prevent death; and*
- Ensure all places that support vulnerable people in the community, have access to publicly funded naloxone, and training in its use; and*
- Provide a provincially funded public opioid education campaign, including social media to complement the efforts of individual communities; and*
- Provide additional provincial funding for addiction and mental health services that would assist in treating people with mental illness to reduce and/or eliminate self-medication with opioids, and would provide addiction services to help people overcome their opioid addiction.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Dr. Eric Hoskins, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Lanark-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington MP Scott Reid and MPP Randy Hillier, Carleton-Mississippi Mills MPP Jack MacLaren, FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities), AMO (Association of Municipalities of Ontario) and all municipalities in the Province of Ontario.

Honourable Premier, this is a crisis situation and we need strong leadership from the provincial and federal governments to coordinate with communities and urgently invest in the solutions to stop the epidemic, including addictions treatment, supportive housing, prevention and drug policy reform. We desperately need a nationwide emergency response as opioid addiction devastates families and communities and overdose deaths reach an even more horrific toll. We very much look forward to a favourable response.

CARRIED

d. Town of Lakeshore – Request for Support to Province of Ontario to ease restrictions of surplus dwelling severances in areas zoned agriculture.

MOTION #168/2017

ROPP/CORNELISSEN: That the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex hereby supports the following motion from the Town of Lakeshore:

“Whereas the Farm house is an existing dwelling and no new residential development is created by severing a farm house from its surrounding land, therefore the severance is not in conflict with the 2014 Provincial Policy Statement, and,

Whereas, rules regarding the number of years the farmer has owned the farm lands and rezoning of the retained farm lands to prohibit future dwellings could be considered by the Province, and,

Whereas changes to rules for severance could eliminate the current practice of the purchaser of the farm, which is acquired as part of a farm lot consolidation, then severing off the existing farm house, as surplus to their needs and then selling it back to the farmer, if there is a need to retire on the property,

Be It Therefore, resolved that the Council of the Town of Lakeshore requests the Province of Ontario to ease restrictions of surplus dwelling severances in areas zoned Agriculture, thereby permitting the seller of the farm, to sever off an existing dwelling (ie: farm house)

That this resolution be circulated to AMO and Ontario Municipalities for support.”

CARRIED

e. Notice of Proposed Change to approved Renewable Energy Project – Jericho Wind Energy Centre

(Action: Receive and File)

**11. OTHER OR URGENT BUSINESS
(including County Council Meeting Report)**

Councillor Cornelissen inquired as to why Elmtree Drive was closed. Mr. Graham replied that culvert work is being done.

13. CLOSED MEETING (UNDER SECTION 239 OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT*)**MOTION #169/2017**

MOIR/HEMMING: That the Regular Meeting adjourn to Closed Meeting at 8:10 p.m. and that the Director of Finance and Administrative Services/Treasurer be appointed

Acting Deputy Clerk for the provision of recording the minutes and for the following purpose:

- a. Approval of Minutes: March 15, April 5 and 19, 2017
- b. Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employee: Employment Contract – Director of Emergency & Safety Services
Departmental/Operational Review – Administration and Operations Staff
Matters

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING

MOTION #170/2017

MOIR/ROPP: That the regular meeting resume with no recommendations from Closed Meeting.

CARRIED

15. READING OF BY-LAWS

- a. By-law #25 of 2017 – A By-law to establish a Sesquicentennial Awards Committee
- b. By-law #26 of 2017 – A By-law to establish a Local Schools Advisory Committee
- c. By-law #27 of 2017 – A By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with the Friends of the Carnegie Library (Due to the change in recommendation with Item 7c – this By-law was deferred)
- d. By-law #28 of 2017 – Confirming By-law

MOTION#171/2017

MCLINCHEY/ROPP: That By-laws #25,26 and 28 of 2017 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

MOTION #172/2017

HEMMING/NICHOL: That By-laws #25,26 and 28 of 2017 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #173/2017

ROPP/MCLINCHEY: That the meeting adjourn at 10:05 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK