



## **MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on Wednesday May 20, 2015 in the Council Chambers, Shared Services Centre, 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhill with a quorum present.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor 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

CAO, Marsha Paley

Clerk, Jackie Tiedeman

### **3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None at this time

### **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **MOTION #151/2015**

ROPP/NICHOL: That the regular meeting minutes dated May 6, 2015 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

## **5. PUBLIC MEETING**

None

## **6. DELEGATIONS**

**7:00 p.m.** Mr. Clyde Walton wished to address Council on the status of the yard clean up at 26851 Nairn Road. He requested clarification on the five part clean up strategy as he does not believe any progress is being made; is the deadline for the clean up negotiable; concern expressed with the recent crop fire in the neighbouring field that could have resulted in a major disaster had the chemical barrels been in closer proximity; how does this property maintenance fit into the Economic Development Strategy for the municipality.

Ms. Paley, CAO, responded that she has spoken with Mr. Walton on several occasions regarding the action plan for the cleanup. As well, he has been made aware of when reports are available for public viewing on the council agenda.

Mayor Shipway responded that the deadline of July 1<sup>st</sup> is not negotiable, municipal staff will make arrangements for a cleanup should this not be carried out by the owner.

Councillor Cornelissen responded that the property maintenance is a concern for the Economic Development Strategy for the municipality.

Mr. Walton was then thanked for his concerns and attendance at the meeting.

**7:15 p.m.** Mr. Mark Cadman, spokesperson for the delegation from NMDHS then addressed Council with their concerns relating to the declining enrollment and the impact it is having on the students and the community as a whole. He also expressed concern with the fact that Thames Valley District School Board is providing transportation to these other high schools and contributing to the declining enrollment. The group felt it was important to have the Municipality advocate on behalf of the community about this serious matter. Mr. Cadman inquired into what Council is doing to encourage growth in the Municipality as well as how businesses can be engaged with showing support for the local school. He then highlighted some of the achievements of the school in sport programs, annual Tractor Day June 4<sup>th</sup> to name a few.

Deputy Mayor Ropp responded that these concerns are not new. The County level is aware of our Municipality's concerns and both he and the Mayor have requested to attend the TVDSB Meetings but their delegation gets cancelled by the Board at the last minute. They are frustrated with this response also.

Mr. Cadman was then encouraged to attend an upcoming Economic Development Meeting where more time can be spent talking about how the Municipality can assist in promoting the school and the community in general.

Ms. Paley, CAO, then advised the group of her observation when first coming to the Municipality that the school does not have signage that stands out. She indicated that there is a report to Council later on the agenda that would have Community Funds available that could possibly assist with the sign project to promote the school.

Mr. Cadman requested Council to attend the upcoming TVDSB Meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. It was stressed that the Municipality should ask the Board why they are not adhering to the own policies on the matter of transportation. A member of the audience indicated that the policy is that students attending schools outside their jurisdiction shall provide their own transportation. It appears that busses are coming to the community and taking students to other schools and this should not be happening.

The delegation was thanked for their attendance and the Municipality will be following up on the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting with the Board.

## **7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

A . Report on the compilation of the bills and accounts being presented for payment for the period of May 1<sup>st</sup> until May 14, 2015.

### **MOTION #152/2015**

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

General	\$442,416.77
Ont Hydro	\$ 1,343.86
OCWA	\$ 52,523.71

CARRIED

## **8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

a) Report from By-law Officer – Tidy Yard By-law Compliance – 26821 Nairn Road

### **MOTION #153/2015**

MCLINCHEY/NICHOL: That Council receives and files this report regarding partial compliance of the Tidy Yard By-law at 26821 Nairn Road;

And further that By-law Enforcement staff continue with inspections following the recommended due dates and to provide correspondence to the landowners and update reports to council.

CARRIED

b) Report from Chief Administrative Officer – Automated Bin Services and BWRA presentation.

**MOTION #154/2015**

ROPP/MCLINCHEY: That Council receives the Proposed Automated Collection Service –Consultation Phase Report from the Administration Department;

And further that Council direct staff to release the report for a 60 day public review and comment period;

And further that staff be directed to actively seek feedback from the public on the automated waste collection service as proposed;

And further that following the 60 day public review and comment period, a report containing any comments received be brought forward for Council's consideration.

CARRIED

c) Report from Chief Administrative Officer – Draft Community Development Fund Program

**MOTION #155/2015**

CORNELISSEN/MCLINCHEY: That Council receive the Draft Community Development Fund Program Report;

And further that Council direct staff to release the report with the attached draft by-law including the policy and procedures for a 45 day public review and comment period;

And further that following the 45 day public review and comment period, a report containing any comments received is brought forward along with the policy and procedures, if amended as necessary, as a by-law for Council's consideration.

CARRIED

d) Report from Chief Administrative Officer – Procedures for Disposal of Real Property McGillivray Community Centre.

After careful consideration the following two motions were introduced:

**MOTION # 156/2015**

MOIR/CORNELISSEN: That staff be directed to review By-law #16 of 2001 on the sale of real property to determine other methods of disposing of land which offers flexibility and is cost effective to the Municipality while maintaining Council authority through a by-law.

CARRIED

**MOTION #157/2015**

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That Council declare the real property known as the McGillivray Community Centre located at 34738 Creamery Road (Con.14, Pt. Lot 15, RP33R700) as surplus.

CARRIED

e) Report from Fire Chief – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Fire Department Operations

**MOTION #158/2015**

ROPP/MCLINCHEY: That Council receive and file the Fire Department 2015 First Quarter Activities Report as submitted.

CARRIED

f) Report from Recreation/Facilities Manager – Progress Report

Staff was requested to allocate time separately on timesheets for work performed at the various facilities.

Council requested an update on the former Service Ontario Building status. Ms. Paley advised that she anticipates having a request for estimates out in mid-June. A meeting with the Recreation Manager and OPP Inspector to determine exact needs will be held soon and a tour of the buildings is being arranged for Council as requested.

Councillor Moir indicated that the Ye Old Town Hall may be interested in purchasing the surplus round tables.

Mr. Nickles advised that the old playground equipment from Ailsa Craig will be repurposed in the municipality where possible.

**MOTION #159/2015**

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That the Council receive and file the First Quarter 2015 Report from the Recreation /Facilities Department as submitted.

CARRIED

g) Report from Drainage Superintendent – 2014 Municipal Drain Maintenance Billing

**MOTION #160/2015**

MOIR/CORNELISSEN: That Council approves the By-laws to permit the Treasurer to proceed with the billing of the assessed property owners for maintenance work completed on the Municipal Drains.

CARRIED

## **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) North Middlesex Community Policing Committee Meeting – May 5, 2015

Action: receive and file

b) Thank you card from Chuck Daigle

Action: receive and file

c) Lambton Shores Nature Trails- request for consideration of Parking area on municipal road allowance

### **MOTION #161/2015**

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That Council direct Public Works staff to make arrangements for an on-site meeting with Mr. Keunecke and then provide a report to council with a recommendation on his request.

CARRIED

d) Ministry of Transportation – Auditor General released report on winter highway maintenance in Ontario

Action: receive and file

e) Thames Valley District School Board – request to municipality to consider speed limit reductions in school zones.

### **MOTION #162/2015**

ROPP/CORNELISSEN: That the correspondence be deferred pending input from County Council on this same matter.

CARRIED

f) Drinking Water Source Protection Committee – News release – 6 new members on Committee

Action: receive and file

g) Municipality of Trent Lakes – request for resolution support on changes to the PPS and Aggregate Resources Act.

Action: Receive and File

h) Township of North Stormont – request to support motion regarding rising costs of Electricity for Ontario Manufacturers

**MOTION #163/2015**

ROPP/NICHOL: That the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex support the motion from the Township of North Stormont as follows:

“Whereas the cost of electricity for Ontario manufacturers averages 10 cents a kWh and is less than 7.5 cents in the USA and under 7 cents a kWh in New York, Illinois, Ohio, North Carolina, South Carolina and Indiana, and under 6 cents a kWh in Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia; and

Whereas the cost of electricity for farms average 18 cents a kWh and less than half that in Quebec, Manitoba, and Ohio and many competing US states, and

Whereas the high cost of power contributes to low investment in Ontario manufacturing, increased unemployment, reduced home markets for Ontario farm products and difficulties for young people starting and sustaining their working lives;

Therefore be it resolved by the Council of Township of North Stormont that the Government of Ontario examine the proposal for Farm and Industrial Rates made by the Canadian Cement Association, Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Ontario Construction Secretariat, Canadian Foundry Association, Canadian Plastics Industry Association, Quinte West Manufacturers Association and Northumberland Manufacturers Association and enact that proposal or a reasonable modification of it, with a view to returning competitive electricity rates to Ontario farms and industry and renewing a key part of the foundations for business and employment opportunity in Ontario;

And be it further resolved that this resolution be circulated to all municipal and regional councils in Ontario requesting that they endorse and support this resolution and communicate their support to the Premier, and her Ministers of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism, Energy, and Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

CARRIED

**MOTION #164/2015**

MCLINCHEY/MOIR: That the correspondence package a-h with amended actions be approved.

CARRIED

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS**

a) Update to 5 year Capital Plan by Acting Treasurer – Deb Jonah – Tabled until June 3

Councillor McLinchey inquired into the distribution of the municipal newsletter and wondered if it could be co-ordinated and distributed through a water billing cycle. Council concurred with this approach.

## **12. CLOSED MEETING (under Section 239 of the Municipal Act)**

### **MOTION #165/2015**

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That the regular meeting go into Closed meeting at 9:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. Minutes from April 15<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>
2. The security of the property of the municipality or local board
  - Library Lease
  - McGillivray Community Centre Lease
3. Litigation or potential litigation – Update on OMB Hearing
4. Labour relations or employee negotiations – Salary for Business/Marketing Student

CARRIED

## **13. RISE AND REPORT**

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:40 p.m. with the following recommendations:

### **MOTION #166/2015**

HEMMING/MOIR: That the minutes of April 15<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> be accepted

CARRIED

### **MOTION #167/2015**

MCLINCHEY/MOIR: That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Minutes of Settlement as provided by the Municipal Solicitor regarding the OMB hearing on property known as 35320 Maguire Road by Tapecc Farms Ltd (Appellant)."

CARRIED

### **MOTION #168/2015**

CORNELISSEN/NICHOL: That the CAO be authorized to utilize the administration budget to hire the Marketing/Business Student for a summer contract.

CARRIED



#### **14. READING OF BY-LAWS**

- a) By-law #27 of 2015 Geudens-Heaman Drain
- b) By-law #28 of 2015 Pederson-Follens Drain 2001
- c) By-law #29 of 2015 Shaddock Lockhart Drainage Works
- d) By-law #30 of 2015 Smith-Dietrich Drainage Works
- e) By-law #31 of 2015 Conkey Drain
- f) By-law #32 of 2015 Civil Marriage Solemnization Services
- g) By-law #33 of 2015 Council Remuneration and Expenses
- h) By-law #34 of 2015 Confirming By-law

#### **MOTION #169/2015**

CORNELISSEN/MCLINCHEY: That By-laws #27-34 of 2015 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

#### **MOTION #170/2015**

MOIR/NICHOL: That By-laws #27-34 of 2015 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

#### **15. ADJOURNMENT**

#### **MOTION #171/2015**

ROPP/MCLINCHEY: That the meeting adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK