



MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held on October 3, 2018 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. with a quorum present.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Don Shipway
Deputy Mayor Brian Ropp
Councillor Doreen McLinchey
Councillor Joan Nichol - Absent
Councillor Gord Moir
Councillor Andrew Hemming
Councillor Adrian Cornelissen
CAO/Director of Finance (Treasurer), Nandini Syed
Deputy CAO/Director of Infrastructure and Operations, Jonathon Graham
Director of Economic Development and Community Services, Justin Dias
Director of Emergency and Safety Services/Fire Chief, William Davidson
Clerk, Jackie Tiedeman

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION #232/2018

MOIR/HEMMING: That the September 19, 2018 Regular Meeting and Court of Revision Minutes be hereby accepted. **CARRIED**

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

Committee of Adjustment

MOTION #233/2018

ROPP/CORNELISSEN: That the Regular Meeting adjourn to Committee of Adjustment at 7:01 p.m.

CARRIED

See separate Committee of Adjustment Minutes

The regular meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

6. DELEGATION

None

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a.Report from Jonathon Lampman, Infrastructure Supervisor, on tender results for Denys Main Drain

MOTION #234/2018

MOIR/CORNELISSEN: Be it resolved that A.G. Hayter Contracting Ltd be awarded the construction of the Denys Main Drain and Associated Branch Drain Tender in the amount of \$233,485.12 including HST.

CARRIED

8. ACCOUNTS

CAO/Director of Finance/Treasurer, Nandini Syed, presented the compilation of Accounts for the period of Sept.14-26, 2018 for a total payment of \$ 254,318.49.

MOTION #235/2018

ROPP/CORNELISSEN: Be it resolved that the following bills and accounts be approved for payment in the amount of \$

General	\$ 107,004.43
General Direct Deposit	\$ 79,808.28
General online/PAP	\$ 65,362.94
Cemetery Direct Deposit	\$0.00
Cemetery Cheques	\$ 2,142.84

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Local School Advisory Committee – Councillor Moir advised that the LSAC committee met on September 20th and had finalized the questions for the upcoming meeting with the Director of Education.

(action: Council concurred with the questions and that they be provided to the Director prior to the meeting)

b. Bluewater Recycling Association – Board of Directors Meeting Highlights – Sept. 20th
(action: receive and file)

c. Parkhill Hydro Proceeds Committee – approved minutes from August 7, 2018
(action: receive and file)

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Ontario Energy Board Notice to customers of Union Gas Limited

(action: receive and file)

11. OTHER AND URGENT BUSINESS

a. Deferred from September 19 – QPA request to sign Confirmation of Option Expiry for three rooftop solar projects, Deputy CAO Jonathon Graham (Verbal Update)

Mr. Graham advised that further to the last council meeting, he will be providing a separate report on the revenue received from these solar projects, however, in the meantime, the opportunity to purchase the rooftop equipment at the end of the lease has expired and therefore he was seeking approval from Council for the Mayor and Clerk to proceed with signing the required paperwork as requested by QPA. The municipal lawyer concurs with this request.

MOTION #236/2018

MOIR/ROPP: That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Confirmation of Option Expiry for the three rooftop solar projects as requested by QPA Solarize Energy.

CARRIED

b. CAO, Nandini Syed, verbal report on AMO Policy Update – Province to introduce Private Cannabis Retail Legislation – with Municipal Opt Out

Ms. Syed provided a verbal update on this new legislation that would authorize the Alcohol and Gaming Committee of Ontario to licence private cannabis stores in Ontario Municipalities. It was clarified that if Council not does provide feedback on its intent to allow these retail stores then North Middlesex would by default “Opt In”.

If North Middlesex Council chooses to “Opt Out” by the deadline of January 22, 2019, councils can still opt in at a later, to be stated, date. All municipal governments will receive at least the \$10,000 to support transition to legal cannabis and the province will announce the full funding allocation in the future.

Due to timing with the municipal election and the newly elected Council that takes office on December 1st, 2018, she was looking for direction as to how Council wanted to proceed with consideration of the “Opting Out” option.

Planner, Stephanie Poirier, also updated Council on her involvement at the County insofar as collection of information for her report at County Council which will be shared with the lower tier municipalities in the next couple of weeks.

After considerable discussion, council concurred that this should be a decision of the new Council. Council also felt it was important to have public input into this decision.

Staff expressed concern with how the public consultation would take place due to timing constraints from the election, upcoming Christmas break as well as the January 22 deadline. Further consideration as to the extent of public consultation and how Council would like this done should be decided soon.

12. COMMUNICATIONS (including County Council Meeting Updates)

Deputy Mayor Ropp advised that the County Council October meeting has been cancelled due to lack of business.

Councillor Moir requested more information regarding the fibre optic line going down McGillvray Drive.

Mr. Graham responded that staff was recently made of aware of this as well through the road allowance work permit process and is looking into it further. He will be preparing a report to Council on options available to the municipality to let residents know when they are made aware of these types of projects in their area. He advised that as this information is through a 3rd Party that there is privacy protocols that need to be taken into consideration and how, if any, information can be released to the public.

Deputy Mayor Ropp and Councillor Moir both expressed concern that there is a lack a communication when projects such as this are brought into North Middlesex and that the residents that could possibly benefit from tapping into the line are not contacted.

Mr. Graham agreed and this report would outline available options to hopefully address this moving forward.

13.CLOSED MEETING (Under Section 239 of the *Municipal Act*)

None

14.CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING

None

15.BY- LAWS

a. By-Law #53 of 2018 Confirming By-law

MOTION #237/2018

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That By-Laws #53 of 2018 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

MOTION #238/2018

CORNELISSEN/MOIR: That By-law #53 of 2018 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

16.ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #239/2018

MCLINCHEY/HEMMING: That the Regular Meeting adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK