



MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Brian Ropp
Deputy Mayor Adrian Cornelissen
Councillor Ward 1 Doreen McLinchey
Councillor Ward 2 Joan Nichol
Councillor Ward 3 Gord Moir
Councillor Ward 4 John Keogh
Councillor Ward 5 Andrew Hemming

Staff Present: CAO Jonathon Graham
Fire Chief Greg Vandenheuvel
Treasurer, Estelle Chayer
Clerk, Richard Beachey
Manager of Infrastructure & Operations, Jaden Hodgins

Staff Absent: Drainage Superintendent Joanne Sadler
Facilities Manager Brandon Drew
Executive Assistant/HR Coordinator Donna Vanhooydonk
Ashley Kwarciak, Deputy Clerk/Communications Coordinator

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex was held under the provisions contained within the North Middlesex Procedural By-law and may held in whole or in part without physically being present at 229 Parkhill Main Street, Parkhil

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ropp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present by way of livestream on the North Middlesex You Tube Channel.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

(*Municipal Conflict of Interest Act – Section 5* requires any member of Council to declare a pecuniary interest and general nature thereof, prior to any consideration on that matter. Where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the Act. The disclosures become part of a Public Registry as required under the Act.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.1 Meeting Minutes for September 7, 2022

Motion # 248/2022

Moved By: G. Moir

Seconded By: J. Nichol

That the attached minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF

The CAO introduced Jaden Hodgins as the new Manager of Infrastructure & Operations.

5. DELEGATIONS

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

6.1 Report from Drainage Superintendent - Petition received and appoint Engineer for a new municipal drain

The Manager of Infrastructure & Operations reviewed the Report and Recommendation.

Motion # 249/2022

Moved By: J. Keogh

Seconded By: D. McLinchey

THAT Council receive the Petition for Drainage Works by Owners under section 4 of the *Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990*; and,

THAT Council receive this report appoint R. Dobbin Engineering Inc. as Engineer to the new municipal drain project.

CARRIED

6.2 Report from Fire Chief - Agreement with Middlesex Centre for Fire Prevention Services

The Fire Chief reviewed his Report and Recommendation.

A question was asked about the cost of this agreement as none had been described. The Fire Chief reported that the cost is believed to be about \$20,000.

A question as to what is the contract hourly rate. The Fire Chief explained that the rate is believed to be \$53.00 per hour.

The CAO noted that the mileage rate is per the Canada Revenue Agency.

Exact details regarding cost will be determined and provided to Council.

Motion # 250/2022

Moved By: A. Hemming

Seconded By: J. Keogh

THAT Council direct the Mayor and the Clerk to execute the Middlesex Centre Fire Prevention Service Agreement.

CARRIED

6.3 Report from CAO - Update Changes - Conservation Authorities Act

It was noted that responsibility for Conservation Authorities has moved from the Ministry of Environment to Ministry of Natural Resources.

Motion # 251/2022

Moved By: J. Nichol

Seconded By: J. Keogh

Be it resolved that Council receive this report as information.

CARRIED

7. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

7.1 Report from Treasurer - Accounts Payable

Questions were asked about a vehicle repair and the YMCA deficit. The Treasurer provided explanation.

Motion # 252/2022

Moved By: D. McLinchey

Seconded By: G. Moir

That Council receive and accept the following accounts payable report as information only.

CARRIED

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Lake Huron Primary Water Supply Joint Mgmt Board (Cr. Hemming)

It was reported that there is a upcoming meeting on October 3, 2022

8.2 ABCA (Deputy Mayor Cornelissen)

September 15, 2022 Agenda and Unapproved Minutes from July 14, 2022

It was reported that there is a item regarding responsibility and cost being assumed by the Horticultural Society for flowers at the lookout at the Parkhill dam. It was explained that this will affect the North Middlesex budget as support is provided to the Horticultural Society by North Middlesex. The CAO stated that he would investigate this change..

8.3 BWRA (Cr. McLinchey)

8.4 EDAC (Cr. Moir)

8.5 LSAC (Cr. Nichol)

It was reported that the Committee members were asked for available dates to meet again. There has been limited response.

8.6 Recreation Committee (Cr. Hemming)

It was reported that a meeting will be held in a couple of weeks.

8.7 Policies Review Committee (Cr. Nichol)

The CAO reported that there are policies to be addressed and more in the future.

8.8 Fire Committee (Cr. Keogh)

8.9 OCWA Client Advisory Board (CAO)

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Town of Plympton Wyoming, Town of Kingsville - Resolution from from Town of Wasaga Beach - Opposition to Strong Mayors Building Homes Act

(Receive and File - Filed at September 7, 2022 meeting)

Filed.

9.2 Township of Ashfield - Colborne - Wawanosh - Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program

(Receive and File - Filed at August 10, 2022 meeting)

Filed.

9.3 Lianne Rood - MP - Proposed Lambton-Kent Middlesex Boundary Redistribution

(Receive and Consider)

The CAO reported that the intent from the office of the MP is that this be tabled and promoted to the general public. The CAO explained that the riding boundary review is done every ten years. The addition of a riding in the Greater Toronto Area is having an effect on the ridings in this part of Ontario.

9.4 Municipality of Brighton - Changes to Healthcare Connect System for Members of Canadian Armed Forces

(Receive and Consider)

Filed.

9.5 Municipality of Huron East and Canadian Centre for Rural Creativity - Rural Talks to Rural 2022 (R2R22)

(Receive and File)

Filed.

10. OTHER AND URGENT BUSINESS

10.1 Kennel Inspections

A question was asked about when By-law enforcement will be starting up again and more particularly kennel inspections can be done. The CAO

reported that the by-law agreement had been signed for three days per week of service and encouraged reach out regarding kennel inspections.

10.2 By-law Enforcement - use of handcuffs

A question was asked if the new contract service, whom are also working with Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority, carries handcuffs. The CAO stated he was not aware of this, He will investigate. The Clerk advised that handcuff use is believed to be with OPP not bylaw enforcement.

11. DEFERRED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

11.1 North Middlesex Surplus Properties

Review of North Middlesex Surplus Properties deferred at November 17, 2021 meeting (follow up by CAO)

11.2 Administration and the Council and Committee's Vaccination Policy's

Administration and the Council and Committee's vaccination Policy's review and discussion on status of policy's - CAO - Deferred at April 20, 2022

12. COMMUNICATIONS (Including County Council Meeting Report)

12.1 County Council Highlights - September 13, 2022

(Receive and File)

13. READING OF THE BY-LAWS

Motion # 253/2022

Moved By: D. McLinchey

Seconded By: J. Keogh

That By-laws 098-099 of 2022 be read a first and second time.

Provision for questions.

CARRIED

Motion # 254/2022

Moved By: G. Moir

Seconded By: J. Nichol

THAT By-laws 098-099 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

13.1 098 of 2022 Authorize Agreement with Municipality of Middlesex Centre
(Fire Prevention and Fire Safety Services)

13.2 099 of 2022 Confirming By-law

14. ADJOURNMENT

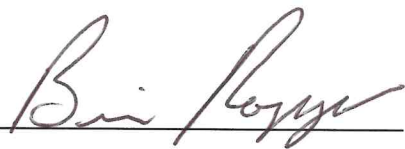
Motion # 255/2022

Moved By: D. McLinchey

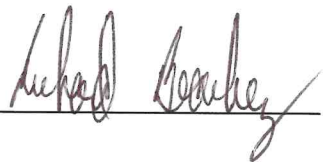
Seconded By: J. Keogh

That the Meeting adjourn at 6:27 p.m.

CARRIED

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MAYOR

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CLERK