

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION #23**

St. Clair Township Civic Centre
December 21, 2015
5:00 p.m.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair was held this evening with the following members present:

	S. Arnold	Mayor
	P. Gilliland	Deputy Mayor
	T. Kingston	Councillor
	D. Randell	“
	J. Agar	“
	J. DeGurse	“
	S. Miller	“
Staff:	J. Rodey	CAO
	J. Baranek	Clerk/ Deputy CAO

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

St. Clair Township Civic Centre
December 21, 2015
5:00 p.m.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Minutes:

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – Session #22 – December 7, 2015
Committee of Adjustment Meeting – October 26, 2015

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

6:00 p.m. – Eldon Grant – Recognition Award

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Asphalt upgrades – 2849 St. Clair Parkway
- b) S.H.A.R.E. – Sarnia Seniors Cruise
- c) Property Standards – 1590 Sixth Street
- d) LAWSS – API Standards
- e) 3885 St. Clair Parkway – Fence variance request

INFORMATION:

- 1) OMB Hearing – 657 Bentinck Drive
- 2) Stantec – Union Gas Pipeline Project
- 3) Activity Log – 2417 & 2421 Courtright Line
- 4) Schooley Mitchell – telecom review
- 5) IESO Delay for OPG Solar Project
- 6) AMO – Thank you
- 7) Permits issued – November, 2015
- 8) Provincial responses

DRAINS:

By-law #32 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$168.89 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance on the Johnston Creek Drain be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and be finally passed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

- Barry Uitvlugt, Senior Planner
- Planning Act Changes

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

- Information Only: Planning/Development Summary

CLERK'S REPORT:

CAO'S REPORT:

MOTIONS:

BY-LAWS:

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Regular Council – Monday, January 4, 2016
- Committee of the Whole – Monday, January 18, 2016 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, January 18, 2016 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole
- Regular Council – Monday, February 1, 2016
- Committee of the Whole – Monday, February 15, 2016 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, February 15, 2016 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole

In Camera

- Legal

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

None declared.

ADOPT MINUTES:

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by T. Kingston

Motion #1 That the Minutes from the Council meeting Session #22 held December 7, 2015 be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

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Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #2 That the Minutes from the Committee of Adjustment meeting held October 26, 2015 be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #3 That the submission related to the condition of concrete on and around the St. Clair River Trail adjacent to 2849 St. Clair Parkway be referred to staff for a report.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Degurse

Motion #4 That the donation request submitted by the Sarnia Seniors Cruise be referred to operating budget deliberations in 2016.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #5 That the property standards complaint submitted for the property known as 1590 Sixth Street in Courtright be referred to staff to begin an investigation.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by T. Kingston

Motion #6 That the report submitted by the Township Source Water RMO dated December 4, 2015 be received as information and that the American Petroleum Institute (API) Standard for welded storage tanks be purchased using funds allocated for source water policy development.

CARRIED

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by T. Kingston

Motion #7 That Council accept the following items of correspondence as per Council's direction:

- a) Asphalt upgrades – 2849 St. Clair Parkway
- b) S.H.A.R.E. – Sarnia Seniors Cruise
- c) Property Standards – 1590 Sixth Street
- d) LAWSS – API Standards
- e) 3885 St. Clair Parkway – Fence variance request

CARRIED

INFORMATION:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #8 That staff be advised to review the program offered by Schooley Mitchell to determine if the Township may benefit by savings in our telecom services.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #9 That the Mayor continue his efforts to get a favourable response from the office of Premier Wynne related to the distribution lines currently owned by HydroOne within the Township.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #10 That the following items of information be dealt with as per Council's instructions for items identified as agenda items #1 thru 8:

- 1) OMB Hearing – 657 Bentinck Drive
- 2) Stantec – Union Gas Pipeline Project
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DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

At the appointed time of 6:00 p.m., Mayor Arnold welcomed long-time volunteer Eldon Grant to come forward to accept his award for recognition of service.

Eldon served as a board member for the Sombra Museum for more than 40 years. Mayor Arnold stated he has never known someone with a bigger heart for their community than Mr. Grant and his seemingly lifelong dedication has produced fruitful results for many projects across the Township.

Mayor Arnold presented Mr. Grant with a crystal recognition plaque, a Township hat, a lapel pin and a certificate of achievement.

DRAINS:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #11 That Drainage By-law #27 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$168.89 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance on the Johnston Creek Drain be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and be finally passed.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #12 That the report of Barry Uitvlugt – Senior Planner with regard to Planning Act Changes be received as information.

CARRIED

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #13 That the report of Carlie McClemens – Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning dated December 16, 2015 regarding the Planning/Development Summary be received as information.

CARRIED

CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk - Jeff Baranek read a letter dated December 21, 2015 received from Michael Beadle, P. Eng., from Golder & Associates related to the dwelling at 411 Beresford Street. The stamped letter indicates the fill stockpiled on the slope of the property on Beresford does not demonstrate a large risk for the dwelling on the subject property nor either neighbouring property.

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #14 That the issue related to the remediation of a property known as 411 Beresford Street be lifted from the table for the purpose of consideration.

CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #15 That the property standards officer be directed to obtain a minimum of three quotes from suitable contractors for the demolition of a dwelling at 411 Beresford Street in Corunna. The demolition plan shall be designed by a qualified engineer to consider maintained slope stability throughout the demolition process while not adversely affecting privately owned land to the north and south of the property.

CARRIED

MOTIONS:

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #16 That the recommendations from the December 17, 2015 Capital Budget Committee of the Whole and December 21, 2015 – Finance & Administration and Public Works & Operations Committees be received and approved.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Gilliland:

Deputy Mayor Gilliland advised Council that former Council enthusiast John Bruton has fallen on tough times and will be moving into a nursing home in Arthur, Ontario. He was able to visit John recently and wished him all the best on behalf of the Township.

Deputy Mayor Gilliland concluded by extended a Merry Christmas to all Council and staff.

Councillor Agar:

Councillor Agar wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

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Mayor Steve Arnold:

Mayor Arnold wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! Mayor Arnold also took the opportunity to attend the St. Joseph's School Christmas Lunch put on by Colleen who continues to do a wonderful job and all the children spoke very highly of Father Dan. He named the event as one of the treasures in his role as Mayor.

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IN-CAMERA:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #17 That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss the upcoming ARB Hearing with OPG.

CARRIED

Mayor Arnold declared the meeting back into open session and noted there was nothing to rise and report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Arnold thanked Beacon Editor - Bonnie Stevenson for her continued dedication to the newsletter. Many local events have been much better attended since the publication began and it is all due to her hard work.

Seeing no further business to discuss, it was thereby moved:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #18 That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor - Steve Arnold

Clerk - Jeff Baranek