

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
SESSION # 19**

St. Clair Civic Centre  
Council Chambers  
Monday, October 17, 2005  
7:00 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:

	J. Dedecker,	Mayor
	S. Arnold	Deputy Mayor
	P. Alexander,	Councillor
	S. Miller,	“
	S. Warner,	“
	P. Gilliland,	“
	D. Randell,	“
Staff:	J. Rodey,	CAO
	J. DeMars,	Director of Administration/Clerk/ Deputy CAO

**AGENDA:**

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

**Adopt Minutes:**

Council Meeting of October 3, 2005  
Public Works & Operations Comm. of October 12, 2005  
Finance & Administration Comm. of October 12, 2005  
Sombra Museum Board Committee of September 15, 2005  
Site Plan Committee of September 27, 2005

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

**DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) Moore Presbyterian Foundation - appointment

**INFORMATION:**

- 1) County of Lambton – L.G.S.
- 2) County of Lambton – West Nile Virus
- 3) County of Lambton – Council highlights
- 4) A.M.O. – Energy Reduction Workshop
- 5) Municipal Cultural Planning Forums – October 21, 2005
- 6) O.G.R.A. – Nominations
- 7) A.M.O. – Alert – Bill 123
- 8) A.M.O. – Southwest Municipal Conference – Nov. 18/05
- 9) L.G.P.S.B. – Aug. 17, 2005 minutes
- 10) Corunna Community Policing – October 4<sup>th</sup> minutes
- 11) A.M.O. – Alert – Building Code Act
- 12) S.C.R.C.A. – September 15/05 minutes
- 13) S.C.R.C.A. – Notice of Decision
- 14) Moore Museum - Sampler
- 15) Hydro One – Corunna Backyard Re-Hab

**DRAINS:**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

Committee of Adjustment-Applications A 21/04 and A 29/05

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

**MOTIONS:**

**BY-LAWS:**

By-law 85 of 2005 - Calpine Site Plan Agreement Greenfield Energy Centre LP  
By-law 86 of 2005 - Calpine Development Agreement – Greenfield Energy Centre LP  
By-law 87 of 2005 - Management Agreement Courtright Community Hall  
By-law 88 of 2005 – Agreement Lambton/Kent District School Board – Brigden Library  
By-law 89 of 2005 – Dedication of Road Allowance (Lambton Line) Lot 30, Con 7 (SO)

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

None declared.

Council proceeded to review the minutes as listed on the agenda.

**MINUTES:**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #1:** That the minutes of the following meetings be adopted as printed and circulated:

Council Meeting of October 3, 2005

Sombra Museum Board Committee of September 15, 2005

Site Plan Committee of September 27, 2005

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #2:** That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole (Combined meeting of Finance & Administration and Public Works & Operations) meeting of October 12, 2005 be adopted as printed and circulated.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #3:** That Ron Skreptak be appointed at the Township Representative to the Cruickshank Centre Advisory Committee.

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION:**

Councillor Alexander requested from the Mayor information, on the County's plan to consider the construction of Round-Abouts at Lakeshore Road and Mandaumin Road.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #4:** That as requested by AMO that the Township of St. Clair urges the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to vote against the proposed Bill 123 if the reference to Municipal Councils is not deleted in the Bill as reported by the Standing Committee and that M.P.P. Caroline DiCocco and all Provincial members of the Legislator be advised of the lack of this Council's support for the inclusion of Municipal Councils in Bill 123.

**CARRIED**

Council reviewed the information received from AMO regarding the Friday, November 18, 2005 Ontario Southwest Municipal Conference to be held in London. Mayor Dedecker and five Councillors and the CAO to attend. Council instructed the Clerk to make the appropriate registrations.

Council referred the information received from AMO regarding the Building Code Statutes Law Amendment Act, 2002 to Building Inspector Jerry Weerdenburg for comment.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Warner

**Motion #5:** That the following correspondence be received and dealt with as per Council's instructions as noted:

a. Moore Presbyterian Foundation – appointment

**Inst.** See Motion # 3

**CARRIED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

Council reviewed A21/04 and A29/05 to the Committee of Adjustment and offered no comments.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

The Clerk provided a verbal report on the background to proposed by-law 89 of 2005.

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Rodey advised that he has a personnel and property issue he would like discussed by Council in camera.

**BY-LAWS:**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #6:** That By-law 85 of 2005, a by-law to authorize execution of a Site Plan Agreement with Greenfield Energy Centre LP and Terra International (Canada) Inc., for Lots 1, 2 and 3, Front Concession, geographic Township of Moore, Township of St. Clair, being designed as Part 1 on Reference Plan 25R8914, be given the necessary three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by S. Arnold

**Motion #7:** That By-law 86 of 2005, a by-law to authorize execution of a Development Agreement with Greenfield Energy Centre LP and Terra International (Canada) Inc., Lots 1, 2 and 3, Front Concession, geographic Township of Moore, Township of St. Clair, being designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 25R8914, be given the necessary three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #8:** That By-law 87 of 2005, a by-law to authorize execution of an Agreement with the Moore Optimist Club to manage property owned by the Township of St. Clair known as the Courtright Community Centre, be given the necessary three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Warner

**Motion #9:** That By-law 88 of 2005, a by-law to authorize execution of an Agreement with Lambton Kent District School Board to lease a portion of property known as the Brigden Public School to the Township of St. Clair for the purposes of establishing a public library, be given the necessary three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #10:** That By-law 89 of 2005, a by-law to acquire and dedicate land as a Public Highway in the south part Lot 30, Concession 7, geographic Township of Sombra, Township of St. Clair, be given the necessary three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

## **COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

### **Steve Arnold**

Deputy Mayor Arnold directed Council's attention to an e-mail sent identifying nine items for consideration by Council which would result in a change of policy and protocol for various procedures of Council and Staff. It was suggested that these items be tabled for discussion by Council or Council acting as the Committee of the Whole. Deputy Mayor Arnold also suggested that a letter be sent to the Premier and the Minister of Energy providing some background on the Township's recent decision regarding the Invenergy, Official Plan amendment and Zoning by-law amendment applications.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #11:** That Staff be instructed to draft a letter for the Mayor's signature directed to the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Energy regarding the Municipality's decisions relative to the Invenergy, Planning Document Amendments.

**CARRIED**

### **Shirley Warner**

Councillor Warner advised Council she has been receiving complaints as to the condition of a property on the St. Clair Parkway that was subject to an earlier property standards order. Councillor Warner was advised that the display of a vehicle offered for sale is not an unusual situation in a residential area and suggested that any property standards complaint be filed with the Municipality in writing. Councillor Alexander presented to Council a letter of complaint regarding a possible property standards issue at property known as 2516 Courtright Line. It was suggested that appropriate staff investigate the situation at this location for a report to Council. Councillor Alexander also requested the O.P.P. to provide accident reports for the Community of Corunna and the entire Township to determine if improvements could be made by the Municipality to reduce such accidents

in the future. Also, in response to Councillor Alexander's questions, Council was advised that Fire Chief Dewhirst will present to the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of the Whole a year to date fire statistics report.

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by S. Arnold

**Motion #12:** That the appropriate staff be instructed to investigate and report on the condition of the property known as 2516 Courtright Line.

**CARRIED**

In response to Councillor Alexander's questions, Council was advised that Mr. Kutuba has not yet been contacted regarding the earlier request for street light changes at the intersection of Confederation and Modeland in Sarnia.

**Pete Gilliland**

Councillor Gilliland advised that the recent Optimist Club of Moore sponsored Ball Tournament had the refreshment tent closed prematurely due to difficulties on scene.

**Joe Dedecker**

Mayor Dedecker advised Council of a request received from the Sarnia Lambton Task Force on Health Care Worker Recruitment for a meeting with St. Clair Township Council. Council directed that the Task Force be contacted and invited to attend a Council meeting in November with the meeting to start at 6:00 p.m. as opposed to the regular 7:00 p.m. start time. Also, the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church has invited the Mayor to attend the congregation's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. and part of the ceremonies will also be to dedicate the congregation's new building additions and improvements. The Mayor advised that he will attend this function. Also, the Mayor received a request from the Lambton Historical Society advising of a meeting at the Corunna Presbyterian Church on November 24<sup>th</sup> with the Dinner to start at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting to start at 7:30 p.m. Council granted the Historical Society's request for the Municipality to sponsor the Dinner ticket for the guest speaker. The Mayor requested the Clerk to advise that he or his representative would be in attendance.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #13:** That the Township pay the cost of the \$12.50 Dinner ticket for the guest speaker at the November 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Lambton Historical Society to be hosted at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Corunna.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by P. Alexander

**Motion #14:** That the meeting enter an in camera session with the Mayor as Chair.

**CARRIED**

The meeting returned to order.

Mayor Dedecker advised Council that due to a previous commitment he is unable to attend the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of Council. Councillor Alexander requested the Clerk's Department improve the quality of the frames used for congratulatory plaques.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Hearing no further business it was:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Warner

**Motion #15** That the meeting due hereby adjourn.

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK