

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION #12**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
Monday, June 5, 2006
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 May 15, 2006
Moore Museum of May 3, 2006

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

7:30 p.m. – Dave Tuplin – St. Clair Parkway Sanitary sewer extension

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Curt Kendel – Property Standards
- b) Michael and Blair MacDonald – stop sign request
- c) Marion Collop – property standards
- d) Clive and Bev Hamilton – trailer request
- e) Jeanne Lewis – pedestrian crossing
- f) Sarnia and District Humane Society – tag days
- g) T.W. Gray – St. Clair Heights

INFORMATION:

- 1) York Region – Family Physician Shortage
- 2) Union Gas – Landowners’ meeting
- 3) Pat Davidson, MP – Parkway Commission
- 4) Hydro One – rates
- 5) Glenda Young – Thank you
- 6) County of Lambton – Emerald Ash Bore
- 7) Clean Harbors – Simulation
- 8) Terry Selman – Thank you
- 9) G.M.S.B. – OMB appeal
- 10) AMO – Brownfields

- 11) Stantec Consulting – Union Gas pipeline
- 12) Heritage Sarnia-Lambton – invitation
- 13) County of Lambton – trees permit
- 14) Western Ontario Wardens – rural development
- 15) OMB – hearing July 19
- 16) Linda Kennedy – Thank you
- 17) MMAH – performance measure – policing
- 18) Moore Agricultural Society – Thank you
- 19) Village of Point Edward – Thank you

DRAINS:

- By-law #16 of 2006 – Pollock Drain
- By-law #17 of 2006 – Fader Drain
- By-law #18 of 2006 – Kellam Drain
- By-law #19 of 2006 – Henry Drain
- By-law #20 of 2006 – Hazzard Drain
- By-law #21 of 2006 – Bailey Drain
- By-law #22 of 2006 – Walton Drain
- By-law #23 of 2006 – Bawden Drain & Pump

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

Committee of Adjustment-Decisions A 11/06 and B 11 to 16/06

COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES:

- St. Clair Parkway Sewer Extension expropriation status

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

- Truck (Cargo Van) Tender

CLERK'S REPORT:

- Community Policing Facility Committee
- Sombra Park – building permit fee
- Alcohol Policy Review
- County bus #'s

CAO'S REPORT:

MOTIONS:

BY-LAWS:

- By-law 31 of 2006 Amended Site Plan Agreement Suncor/Praxair Production Facility
- By-law 32 of 2006 Confirming by-law

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

MINUTES:

Council proceeded to review the minutes as listed on the agenda. Councillor Alexander pointed out that the meeting referred to in her report on page 8 will be held Tuesday, June 6th as opposed to that as recorded.

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

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

Council Meeting of May 15, 2006 Session #11 as amended
Moore Museum minutes of May 3, 2006

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Councillor Randell pointed out that he has received information from the Lambton County 4-H Group and there are four 4-H Group's in St. Clair Township with participation by approximately 30 youths.

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #2: That the issue of the grant to the local 4-H Clubs be opened for reconsideration.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #3: That a grant in the amount of \$200.00 per Club be granted to the four 4-H Clubs located in St. Clair Township as an expense to the St. Clair Township Environment and Education reserve fund.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #4: That the Property Standards complaint for property known as 552 Murray Street be referred to the Property Standards Officer for investigation and report.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by S. Arnold

Motion #5: That the request of Michael and Blair MacDonald for additional stop signs in the community of Courtright be referred to Public Works for investigation and report.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Warner

Motion #6: That the Property Standards complaint on property referred to as the former Colborne Street School be referred to the Property Standards Officer for investigation and report.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #7: That the request for permission filed on behalf of Clive and Bev MacDonald owners of property known as 2751 Bickford Line to temporarily locate living

accommodations during the construction of a home be accepted and extended for the period of 1 year expiring June 1, 2007, subject to the appropriate septic tank approvals.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the correspondence received from Jeanne Lewis, representing residents of Thompson Gardens requesting Council consideration of various methods to improve pedestrian traffic in the community of Corunna.

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #8: That the letter of concern filed by Jeanne Lewis, representing residents of Thompson Gardens for pedestrian crossing improvements in Corunna be referred to Public Works for a report on the cost of the pedestrian controlled crosswalk for consideration at the next meeting of the Public Works and Operations Committee.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #9: That permission be granted to the Sarnia and District Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the conduct of Tag Days in the Municipality on September 8th and September 9th, 2006.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the letter received from T. W. Gray Engineering regarding floodplain mapping relative to St. Clair Heights Subdivision Phase 2.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #10: That the request submitted by T. W. Gray Engineering on behalf of St. Clair Heights Subdivision Phase 2 for a financial contribution to floodplain mapping be denied.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #11: That St. Clair Township declare Sombra Days scheduled for the period of July 7th, 8th and 9th as a Community Festival and that permission be given for the establishment of a Refreshment Tent on Municipal property, subject to the provision of paid duty O.P.P. Officers to provide security for the event.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #12: That the resolution of the Region of York regarding Family Physician Shortage be supported and endorsed.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the information received from Clean Harbors. Councillor Alexander advised that she attended the last Community Liaison Meeting on behalf of Councillor Randell and Clean Harbors is conducting a tour of the facility on September 12th commencing at 5:30 p.m. prior to the September meeting. Council was, however, invited to contact Clean Harbors to arrange for a tour of the facility at a convenient time.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Warner

Motion #13: That St. Clair Township support the position taken by the Western Ontario Warden's caucus regarding Western Ontario Rural Development.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #14: That the following correspondence be received and dealt with as per Council's instructions as noted:

- a. Curt Kendel – Property Standards
Inst. See Motion #4
- b. Michael and Blair MacDonald – stop sign request
Inst. See Motion #5

- c. Marion Collop – Property Standards
Inst. See Motion #6
- d. Clive and Bev Hamilton – trailer request
Inst. See Motion #7
- e. Jeanne Lewis – pedestrian crossing
Inst. See Motion #8
- f. Sarnia and District Humane Society – tag days
Inst. See Motion #9
- g. T. W. Gray – St. Clair Heights
Inst. See Motion #10

CARRIED

On behalf of Council Mayor Dedecker welcomed Dave and Cathy Tuplin, residents of the St. Clair Parkway, south of County Road #80 to discuss with Council the status of the St. Clair Parkway sanitary sewer extension and watermain replacement. Mr. Tuplin had earlier sent a letter of request for certain information on the status of the project and was still unclear from the response he received. Council advised that the grant funding applied for the project earlier this year has been denied and that once the CSX property is secured it is the Township's intention to proceed with the project as soon as possible. It was also pointed out that the engineering has been completed and once the property issues are solved the project could be tendered. Council explained to Mr. Tuplin why his suggestion that work commence now on the pump stations would not be possible. Mr. Tuplin also pointed out a water leak on the St. Clair Parkway north of the Tuplin property near the corner of the St. Clair Parkway and County Road #80.

DRAINS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #15: That Drainage By-law #16 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$9,140.76 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Pollock Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #16: That Drainage By-law #17 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$2,158.36 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Fader Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #17: That Drainage By-law #18 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$1,198.81 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Kellam Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #18: That Drainage By-law #19 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$621.62 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Second Line Drain be given the necessary readings and

signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #19: That Drainage By-law #20 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$3,982.35 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Hazzard Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #20: That Drainage By-law #21 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$15,084.99 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Bailey Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #21: That Drainage By-law #22 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$5,902.51 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Walton Drain be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #22: That Drainage By-law #23 of 2006, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$2,818.24 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance repairs to the Bawden Drain & Pump be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporation Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

Council reviewed Committee of Adjustment decisions A-06 and B-11 to B-16/06 and offered no comments.

COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES:

Council reviewed Mr. Burnham's report regarding the status of the proposed CSX property expropriation for the property needed to progress with the St. Clair Parkway sanitary sewer and waterline replacement project.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Warner

Motion #23: That an amount totaling \$13,775.93 be approved by Council and a cheque issued in trust to Patton Cromier & Associates for acquisitions of the necessary CSX easements necessary for the St. Clair Parkway sanitary sewer extension and waterline replacement project.

CARRIED

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Council reviewed Mr. Hackett's report on the quotes received for the possible purchase of a cargo van. The quotes were as follows:

1. Wallis Pontiac Buick - \$25,255.15

2. Mid County Ford - \$28,296.90
3. Ron Clark Motors - \$28,373.95

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #24: That the bid of Wallis Pontiac Buick in the amount of \$25,255.15 for the purchase of a 2006 GMC 1500 cargo van for the Department of Community Services be accepted.

CARRIED

CLERK'S REPORT:

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by P. Alexander

Motion #25: That the Mayor on behalf of Council be authorized to establish and appoint members to an Ad Hoc Committee whose mandate shall be the advancement of the development of a community policing facility with representation by the appropriate parties including Township Council, Staff, O.P.P. and the Lambton Group Police Services Board.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Arnold and Councillor Alexander volunteered at the Mayor's discretion to sit on this Committee.

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #26: That the Clerk be authorized to rebate the building permit fee for the washrooms/concession building under construction in the Sombra Park estimated to be approximately \$350.00.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the Clerk's Report on the upcoming meeting of an Ad Hoc Committee to review the Township's Alcohol Management Policy. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 15th at 7:00 p.m. Interested members of Council are welcome to attend this meeting.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

Steve Arnold

Deputy Mayor Arnold advised of returning from a recent Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference in Montreal that was very productive and worthwhile. Deputy Mayor Arnold brought back information that he or at his request staff will distribute to appropriate staff. Also, Deputy Mayor Arnold requested Public Works investigate the green staging area signs for the pipeline construction through Corunna. Deputy Mayor Arnold said the signs are unsightly and should either be repaired or replaced.

Pat Alexander

Councillor Alexander conveyed a request received from Mark & Marie Taylor for the extension of the vent pipe for the sewer line entering the Courtright sewage treatment plant. It was suggested that engineering be asked for a report on this issue. Councillor Alexander also received a request from a ratepayer regarding Township reconsideration of its position relative to the passage of a by-law that would allow ATV's on certain designated municipal roads. It was suggested that the ratepayer in question be asked to file his request formally with the Clerk. Also, Councillor Alexander advised of receiving a complaint from the Brigden Ambulance personnel regarding the lack of parking lot space at the Brigden facility. It was suggested that this request be channeled through the appropriate County Staff. Also, Councillor Alexander advised that she has reconsidered her position relative to Sunday gun hunting and requested Council support in the reconsideration in the issue.

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #27: That the issue of Sunday gun hunting in St. Clair Township be reconsidered. A recorded vote was called for.

Councillor Miller – yes
Councillor Gilliland – no
Councillor Alexander – yes
Councillor Randell – yes
Councillor Warner – no
Deputy Mayor Arnold – no
Mayor Dedecker – yes

CARRIED

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Warner

Motion #28: That the issue of Sunday gun hunting in St. Clair Township be tabled until September 2006.

A recorded vote was called for.

Councillor Randell – no
Councillor Warner – yes
Deputy Mayor Arnold - yes
Councillor Miller – no
Councillor Gilliland – no
Councillor Alexander – no
Mayor Dedecker – yes

DEFEATED

Moved by P. Alexander

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #29: That the Ministry of Natural Resources be petitioned to designate St. Clair Township as an area where Sunday gun hunting would be permitted.

A recorded vote was requested.

Councillor Miller – yes
Councillor Gilliland – no
Councillor Alexander – yes
Councillor Randell – yes
Councillor Warner – no
Deputy Mayor Arnold – no
Mayor Dedecker – yes

CARRIED

Pete Gilliland

Councillor Gilliland advised of attending the May 24th big bike ride in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation together with other members of Council and Township Staff. Councillor Gilliland expressed his opinion that the organizers of the event particularly Julie Dolbear should be thanked on behalf of the Municipality for the high level of participation. Councillor Gilliland also pointed out that the no parking sign requested on the north side of Hill Street adjacent to the Corunna United Church handicapped access has not been installed. Township Staff was instructed to arrange for the placement of the sign as soon as possible.

Mayor Dedecker

Mayor Dedecker advised that he attended on behalf of the Municipality the opening ceremonies at the Brigden Pull and Shine as well as the ribbon cutting for the new business known as the Workout Room in Corunna.

BY-LAWS:

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #30: That By-law Number 31 of 2006, a by-law to authorize execution of a Site Plan Agreement with 2059247 Ontario Inc., and Praxair Canada Inc. for Part of Lots 25 and 26, Concession 8, geographic Township of Moore, Township of St. Clair, designed as

Parts 2 to 13, both inclusive, Parts 45 to 88, both inclusive, on reference Plan 25R-8904, 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 D. Randell

Motion #31: That By-law Number 32 of 2006, the By-law for the Township of St. Clair to confirm the resolutions and motions of St. Clair Township which were adopted up to and including the June 1, 2006 Council meeting, having been given the necessary three readings, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

The Clerk and the CAO detailed to Council the request received from Praxair for consideration by the Municipality to enter into a conditional building permit agreement to allow the commencement of construction of the Praxair facility adjacent to the Suncor Ethanol Plant on Rokeby Line in advance of final MOE approvals. Staff pointed out that if Council agrees with the concept it would be important that the agreement be a three party agreement between the Municipality, Praxair and Suncor.

Moved by S. Arnold

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #32: That Council approve the execution and the signature by the appropriate parties for a conditional building permit agreement to allow the commencement of construction of the Praxair facility being built in conjunction with the Suncor Ethanol Plant on Rokeby Line in advance of the completion of the final Ministry of the Environment approvals, subject to the provision of a \$50,000.00 security.

CARRIED

Councillor Alexander advised that she has been given 8 available tickets for the November 18th function being sponsored by the Health Worker Recruitment Committee. The price of the tickets are \$125.00 and will be used as a fund raising opportunity.

Mayor Dedecker advised that the communication received from a ratepayer in the neighbourhood of Brander Park regarding parking should be referred to the Public Works Department for investigation and report to the next meeting of the Public Works and Operations Committee. Also, Mayor Dedecker expressed his opinion that as a matter of practice ratepayers corresponding with Council should be made aware of Council's actions relative to their request particularly if their request has been referred for investigation and report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by S. Warner

Seconded by P. Gilliland

That the meeting due hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK