

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION #24**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
November 23, 2009
7:20 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
	P. Carswell-Alexander,	Councillor
	P. Brown,	“
	D. Randell,	“
	S. Miller,	“
	J. Agar,	“
Staff:	J. Rodey,	CAO
	J. DeMars,	Director of Administration/Clerk/ Deputy CAO

AGENDA:

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Adopt Minutes:

Council Meeting of November 9, 2009
Moore Museum of November 4, 2009

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

7:30 Jim Monteith and Mary-Pat Gleeson ~ Family Health Team

CORRESPONDENCE:

INFORMATION:

1. Mooretown Hockey Tournament – comments
2. Physician Recruitment Taskforce of Sarnia Lambton

DRAINS:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

COMMITTEES OF ADJUSTMENT:

Application ~ A26/09, B29/09, B 28/09, B31 and 32/09, B 30/09

CLERK'S REPORT:

CAO'S REPORT:

County Invoices

MOTIONS:

Confirmation of recommendations of Committee of the Whole

BY-LAWS:

By-law #66 of 2009 ~ Tile Loan Rating

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

General Insurance Renewal

IN CAMERA:

Property and Personnel

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Regular Council Monday, December 7, 2009 ~ 7 p.m.
Committee of the Whole Monday, December 14, 2009 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Regular Council Monday, December 21, 2009 ~ 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:20 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.

At the appointed time Mayor Arnold welcomed Mr. Jim Monteith, Roseanne Orcutt and Mary Pat Gleeson, members of the Charlotte's Task Force for Rural Health present to speak to Council on their proposal to make application to the Ministry of Health for the establishment of a Family Health Team situated in Petrolia to help satisfy the health care needs for rural Lambton County residence. Ms. Gleeson advised of assistance received from Bluewater Health that the establishment of a family health team would be out of the realm of Bluewater Health and the area LIHNS. It was pointed out that the establishment of a Family Health Team could help attract physicians to the area and provide services that are no longer available through Bluewater Health. At the conclusion of the presentation, Council was advised that if the application to the Ministry of Health is successful, the organizing group may return and ask for financial assistance to establish the facility. Mayor Arnold on behalf of Council, thanked the representatives for their presentation and also requested that St. Clair Township be advised of the progress of this worthwhile endeavor.

MINUTES:

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

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Brown

Motion #1 That the minutes of the Council meeting held November 9th and 16th, 2009 – Sessions #22 and #23 be adopted as printed and circulated

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #2: That the minutes of the Moore Museum meeting held November 4, 2009 be adopted as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #3: Items of correspondence listed as information on the agenda be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

Council reviewed the applications to the Committee of Adjustment that will be heard at its next meeting scheduled for November 30, 2009.

MOTIONS:

Moved by P. Brown

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #4: That the recommendations from the Finance and Administration Committee and Public Works & Operations Committee held November 23, 2009 be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

Council reviewed Tile Loan Rating By-law #66 of 2009. Councillor Randell declared a conflict of interest as being the recipient of the tile loan as prescribed in the by-law and left Council Chambers.

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Brown

Motion #5: That Bylaw #66 of 2009 being a by-law to establish special drainage rates on lands receiving funds under the Tile Drainage Act, be read the required number of times and be finally passed, signed and sealed.

CARRIED

Councillor Randell returned to the Council Chambers

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Pete Gilliland

Deputy Mayor Gilliland advised Council that he attended the November 11th ceremony in Brigden and laid a wreath on behalf of St. Clair Township

Pat Carswell-Alexander

Councillor Carswell-Alexander advised Council of the Christmas tree lighting in Brigden at 7pm on November 28th.

Pat Brown

Councillor Brown advised of attending the November 11th ceremony in Corunna at which time a wreath was laid on behalf of the Corunna Community Policing Committee. Councillor Brown also attended the recent Poor Boy luncheon that is a fundraiser for the Operation Christmas Tree program. Councillor Brown also advised Council of information received in a trade magazine regarding initiatives being taken in the United States regarding green energy technology for power generation using coal as a fuel. Council suggested that this information be forwarded to the recently appointed Provincial Minister of Energy.

Darrell Randell

Councillor Randell advised of attending the Remembrance Day ceremony in Wallaceburg that was extremely well attended.

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Steve Arnold

Mayor Arnold advised of an upcoming meeting with himself, the CAO and representatives from OPG regarding the outstanding assessment appeals. Mayor Arnold also attended the Brigden Horticultural Society meeting, the Poor Boy luncheon and a meeting of the Olympic Torch Run Committee.

Council discussed the 2010 general insurance renewal and suggested that Mr. Coleman be invited to attend the January Committee of the Finance and Administration meeting with a suggestion that the meeting be convened at 5pm. In discussion of the torch run event through the Township on December 24th, it was;

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #6: That permission be granted to close the appropriate roads to accommodate the December 24th Olympic Torch Run event through St. Clair Township.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Brown

Motion #7: That a \$500 Township budget be established to help finance activities to celebrate the Olympic Torch Run on December 24th if required.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #8: That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss a property and personnel issue.

CARRIED

Meeting returned to order.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK