

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION # 29**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
December 19, 2011
7:50 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
	J. DeGurse,	“
	D. Randell,	“
	S. Miller,	“
	J. Agar,	“
Staff:	J. Rodey,	CAO
	J. DeMars,	Director of Administration/Clerk/ Deputy CAO
	J. Baranek	Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning

AGENDA:

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Adopt Minutes:

Finance and Administration Committee minutes of December 1, 2011
Council meeting minutes of December 5, 2011 ~ Session #28

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

8:30 pm – Nancy Lisabeth – taxi license request

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) City of Sarnia – indoor tanning
- b) Moore Museum – request
- c) Serkka Farms – fees and expense reimbursement
- d) Jamie Butler – grant request

INFORMATION:

- 1) Councillor Carswell-Alexander – taxi license
- 2) Ministry of Citizenship – volunteer awards
- 3) Optimist Club of Moore – thank you
- 4) Cindy Scholten – best wishes
- 5) Lambton Historical Society – November 24th meeting
- 6) Corunna Legion – invitation
- 7) ROMA/OGRA – delegation request
- 8) Ministry of Natural Resources – information meeting
- 9) Ministry of Agriculture and Agri-Food – tree removal
- 10) St. Clair River Trail – November 23 minutes
- 11) Mildred Beggs – thank you
- 12) CCPC – December 6 minutes

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

PLANNER'S REPORT:

Applications A19/11, A20/11 and B11/11

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING REPORT:

Clean Harbors site plan

DIRECTOR OR PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING REPORT:

Erosion control

MOTIONS:

Recommendations from December 19, 2011 Finance and Administration Committee and the Public Works and Operations Committee meetings
Tile loan approval for Sugarland and Cattle Company

BY-LAWS:

By-law #52 of 2011 – Taxi license amendment

By-law #33 of 2011 – Tile loan rating

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Regular meeting of Council Monday January 9, 2012 ~ 6:00 pm

Committee of the Whole Monday January 23, 2012 ~ 6:00 pm

Regular meeting of Council Monday January 23, 2012 ~ 7:00 pm (after Committee meeting)

Insurance renewal meeting date ???

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:50 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.

MINUTES:

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

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #1 That the minutes of the Finance and Administration meeting held December 1, 2011 be adopted as amended that motion #13 was carried and printed and circulated.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #2: That the minutes of the Council meeting held December 5, 2011, Session #28 be adopted as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #3: That the resolution of the City of Sarnia related to the indoor tanning be endorsed.

DEFEATED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #4: That the request for support from the Moore Museum to assist in sponsoring the Lieutenant Governor to attend the museum be received and filed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #5: That the request from Serkka Farms as to the fee and expense reimbursement be received and filed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #6: That the request from Jamie Butler be received and filed.

CARRIED

Council reviewed Councillor Carswell-Alexander's comments and questions relative to the Township's taxi licensing protocols.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #7: That staff be instructed to prepare a report for Council consideration relative to the taxi licensing concerns raised by Councillor Carswell-Alexander.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the information received from the Ministry of Citizenship regarding volunteer awards and directed staff to send the letter to volunteer groups within the Municipality.

In discussion of the minutes of the November 23rd meeting of the St. Clair River Trail Committee, Mayor Arnold led Council into a discussion following a thank you from a city of Sarnia resident in appreciation for the SCRT Committee's offer of assistance to facilitate the construction of a trail from the City of Sarnia south through Aamjiwnaang to LaSalle Line. Deputy Mayor Gilliland advised that as a member of the Committee he has not heard any discussion on such a proposal.

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #8:

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

- a. City of Sarnia – indoor tanning
Inst. See motion #3
- b. Moore Museum – request
Inst. See motion #4
- c. Serkka Farms – fees and expense reimbursements
Inst. See motion #5
- d. Jamie Butler – grant request
Inst. See motion #6

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #9: That the communications as listed on the agenda be received as information.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

PLANNER'S REPORT:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #10: those applications submitted by the Coordinator of Planning for the month of December be received and accepted as information.

CARRIED

Council discussed Mr. Baranek's report relative to the site plan amendment for the Clean Harbors site to facilitate the issuance of a building permit for the proposed new truck wash facility. Mr. Baranek suggested that a site plan amendment could be processed or Clean Harbors site plan is relatively old and perhaps out of date and a new comprehensive site plan could be required. After considerable discussion, it was;

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #11: That the report submitted by the Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning dated December 13, 2011 recommending that Council approve the amendment to the site plan for Clean Harbors which will authorize a building permit to be issued be received and that the Township will require a new comprehensive site plan prior to the issuance of any further building permits.

CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #12: That St. Clair Township Council has the expectation that the proposed truck washing facilities at Clean Harbors will be fully enclosed and fumes vented to the incinerator stack.

CARRIED

Council further suggested that the services of MPAC should be recruited to review the draft site plan once received by Clean Harbors to ensure all assessable buildings and facilities are included.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS & OPERATIONS & ENGINEERING REPORT:

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #13: That the report submitted by the Director of Public Works and Operations dated December 9, 2011 regarding proposed erosion control projects received and accepted as information.

CARRIED

MOTIONS:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #14: That the recommendations made at the Finance and Administration meeting and Public Works and Operations meeting held December 19, 2011 be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #15: That the following application for loan under the Tile Drainage Act be approved subject to Provincial funding:

Sugarland & Cattle Co. Inc. E1/2 Lot 12, Con 12 Amount \$50,000.00

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #16: That By-law Number 52 of 2011, being a by-law to provide for the licensing, regulating and governing taxicab brokers and owners and drivers of motor vehicles used for hire, and to amend By-law Number 29 of 2004 to be given the necessary

three readings, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #17: That Drainage By-law #33 of 2011 being a by-law to impose special rates upon land and respect in which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act be read the required number of times, finally passed signed and sealed.

CARRIED

The Deputy Clerk provided to Council a report on the situation of the driveway widths in the Youseff subdivision. Mr. Baranek advised that he is awaiting further information from TW Gray, the consulting engineers for the developer.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #18: That the report of the Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning on the issue of driveway widths in the Youseff Subdivision be tabled.

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Pete Gilliland

Deputy Mayor Gilliland advised of attending the recent Township Christmas party and wished his fellow Councilors and members of staff the best of the Christmas season.

Steve Miller

Councillor Miller advised that Staff Sergeant Scott Janssen has been promoted to Inspector of the Lambton Detachment to replace the retiring Inspector Fred Wessels.

Steve Arnold

Mayor Arnold advised of attending a recent social event hosted by the Sombra Sports and Recreation at which time he was briefed on possible future projects by the Association. The first priority being the establishment of a public dock in Sombra. Mayor Arnold also advised that as County Warden, he is currently involved in the selection process for a Clerk solicitor for Lambton County.

In discussion of upcoming meetings, Council directed that a special meeting of Council be held Monday January 16th, 2012 at 5:00pm to discuss the Township's general insurance renewal as well as receive a presentation from Frank Cowan as to firefighter liability.

Hearing no further business it was;

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #19: That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK