

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION # 5**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
February 21, 2012
7:10 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 (joined the meeting in progress)
	P. Carswell-Alexander,	Councillor
	J. DeGurse,	“
	D. Randell,	“
	S. Miller,	“
	J. Agar,	“
Staff:	J. Rodey,	CAO
	J. DeMars,	Director of Administration/Clerk/ Deputy CAO
Absent :	J. Baranek	Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning

AGENDA:

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Adopt Minutes:

Sombra Museum meeting minutes of January 19, 2012
Council meeting minutes of February 6, 2012 – Session #4

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 pm Jarvis Drain – Court of Revision
McDonald Drain – Court of Revision
7:30 pm Heritage Trust Award presentation – Jim Townsend and David Lee

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Cogeco – Courtright Firehall lease
- b) County of Lambton – County Road #4

INFORMATION:

- 1) County of Lambton – Eat Smart
- 2) Chatham/Kent – notice of study
- 3) CCPC – February 7th minutes
- 4) Peter Pickfield – response to MOE
- 5) Census Canada – St. Clair population
- 6) Clean Harbors – February 7, 2012 minutes
- 7) County of Lambton – draft budget
- 8) AMO – Drummond report

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DRAINS:

By-law #5 of 2012 – amending various drains
By-law #6 of 2012 – Walton Drain amending
By-law #7 of 2012 – Thomson Street Drain amending
By-law #8 of 2012 – Port Lambton Storm Drain - maintenance

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATIONS:

Applications A4/12, A5/12, A2/12 & B2/12

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING REPORT:

Site plan non compliance

PLANNER'S REPORT:

Woodlands issue – Stag Island

CAO'S REPORT:

MOTIONS:

BY-LAWS:

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

In camera – property issue

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Drainage Committee meeting – Wednesday February 22, 2012 ~ 6:30 pm
Finance and Administration Committee meeting – Thursday March 1, 2012 ~ 5:00 pm
Regular meeting of Council – Monday March 5, 2012 ~ 6:00 pm
Committee of the Whole – Monday March 19, 2012 ~ 6:00 pm
Regular meeting of Council – Monday March 19, 2012 ~ 7:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:10 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 P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #1 That the minutes of the Sombra Museum meeting held January 19, 2012 be received as printed and accepted.

CARRIED

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At the appointed time, the Mayor called to order the Court of Revision to hear any assessment appeals on the Jarvis Drain and the McDonald Duncan Drain. The Clerk advised that no written appeals had been received relative to the Jarvis Drain assessment. No one was present to present a verbal appeal. Hearing no appeals, it was

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #2: That the engineer's assessment on the Jarvis Drain as per the report dated November 15th, 2011 be confirmed and that the Court of Revision on the Jarvis Drain be closed.

CARRIED

The Clerk advised that no written appeals had been received relative to the Engineer's assessment on the McDonald Duncan Drain. No one was present to present a verbal appeal on the assessment. Hearing no appeals, it was

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #3: That the Engineer's assessment on the McDonald Duncan Drain as per the Engineer's report dated November 15th, 2011 be accepted and that the Court of Revision on this drain be closed.

CARRIED

The Mayor declared Council back to order.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #4: That the franchise agreement with Cogeco relative to Cogeco installations at the Courtright Fire Hall be accepted and the appropriate agreement be signed on behalf of the Municipality.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the communication received from the County of Lambton regarding the possibility of constructing paved shoulders on County Road 4 from Brooktree east to County Road 31.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #5: That the correspondence received from the County of Lambton regarding possible construction of paved shoulders on County Road 4 be tabled for budget deliberations.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #6: That the following correspondence be received and dealt with as per Council's instructions as noted:

- a. Cogeco – Courtright Firehall lease
Inst. See motion #4
- b. County of Lambton – County Road #4
Inst. See motion #5

CARRIED

Council proceeded to review the Information correspondence as listed on the agenda. Council directed that it would like to meet the new Ministry of the Environment site supervisor for the Clean Harbors facility. The Mayor advised of an invitation from Real-Flex to meet with members of Council either at the OGRA/ROMA conference in Toronto or a meeting with Council locally to discuss a proposal to convert the Township streetlights to LED display. Council directed that the meeting with Real-Flex at a regular meeting of Council.

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #7: That the items of information correspondence be received as information.

CARRIED

At the appointed time, Mayor Arnold on behalf of Council, welcomed citizens present to see the presentation of the Ontario Heritage Trust award to Mr. Jim Townsend on behalf of the Moore Museum and Mr. David Lee for the Heritage Trust lifetime achievement award on behalf of the Sombra Museum. In his presentation, the Mayor thanked Mr. Townsend and Mr. Lee for their years of dedicated volunteer services to the two respective museums and praised all volunteers who assist in the maintenance of community services within the Township. Following a brief recess, Council returned to order.

DRAINS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #8: That Drainage By-Law #5 of 2012, being a by-law to raise the sum of money being expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the maintenance to various drains in the Township be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #9: That Drainage By-Law #6 of 2012, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$66,598.16 being expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the construction of the Walton Drain be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #10: That Drainage By-Law #7 of 2012, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$105,466.44 being expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the construction of the Thomson Street Drain, Fifth and Sixth Street Branches be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #11: That Drainage By-Law #8 of 2012, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$5,569.48 being money expended out of the General Funds of the Township of St. Clair for the expenditures to the Port Lambton Storm Drain be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING REPORT:

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #12: That applications submitted by the Coordinator of Planning for the month of February be received and accepted as information.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #13: That the report submitted by the Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning dated February 15, 2012 recommending that Council authorize the Coordinator of Planning to draft a letter to the current owners of 446 and 450 Lyndoch Street in Corunna asking them to bring the property into compliance with the site plan by removing the sea-cans to the rear of the building and erecting a fence around the rear and up to but not including the north property limit be received and accepted.

CARRIED

PLANNER'S REPORT:

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #14: That the report submitted by the Planner, Barry Uitvlugt dated January 25, 2012 recommending that Council receive the update report as information regarding Stag Island's Official Plan Amendment and provide direction to the Fraternal Fellowship Association to provide a Consultant's report to address the partial removal of the natural heritage features in consultation with the Conservation Authority and the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Township request formal comments from the Ministry of the Environment regarding the OPA be tabled pending review of correspondence from the Stag Island Owner's Group.

CARRIED

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mr. Rodey advised of a need to discuss a property issue in camera.

MOTIONS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #15: That the recommendations made at the Finance and Administration meeting and Public Works and Operations meeting held February 21, 2012 be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Jim DeGurse

Councillor DeGurse asked for clarification on the necessity of acquiring a lottery and raffle licenses for various non-profit groups. An explanation was provided by the Clerk.

Steve Arnold

Mayor Arnold briefed Council on the activities he has attended in the last two weeks including attendance at the Sustainability Conference in Ottawa at which time he learned about a road salt alternative and the recent Oil Sand Conference hosted in Calgary.

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #16: That the meeting enters an in-camera session to discuss a property issue.

CARRIED

The meeting returned to order.

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #17: That By-Law #8 of 2012 being a by-law to deem registered plan 731 with the exceptions of Lots 1 and 2, be given the necessary readings and be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #18: That the Township decline the offer submitted by Real Flex to install solar panels on the property owned by the Municipality being the former Century Truss building.

CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, it was;

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #19: That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK