

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION #9**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
April 23, 2012
7:30 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:

Regular meeting of Council - April 9, 2012 ~ Session #8
Sombra Museum minutes of March 15, 2012

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

7:30 pm – Beth Nutt ~ Corunna community garden
7:40 pm – Doug Lasenby ~ Catalytic Services on Paget Street

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Beth Nutt – Community garden
- b) Carlo Cimetta – Plan 730
- c) Bluewater Health – lottery tickets
- d) Property Standards – 167 Templeton

INFORMATION:

- 1) Lambton Farm Safety – March 5th minutes
- 2) Heritage St. Clair – March 26th minutes
- 3) Source Protection – pre-consultant
- 4) CCPC – April 3rd minutes
- 5) Clinton Ekdahl – Day of the honey bee
- 6) Town of Uxbridge – slots at racetracks
- 7) OMAFRA – 2012/13 tile loan program
- 8) County of Lambton – building permits
- 9) Children’s Safety Village – meeting agenda
- 10) Township of St. Clair – notice of Public Meeting

DRAINS:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT:

Applications A2/12 & B2/12, A8/12, A9/12, A10/12, B5/12 and B6/12

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING REPORT:

Monthly status of planning applications
Cancellation of public meeting
Development agreement – Marcus 4011 St. Clair Parkway
Paddock Green – Phase 15 (a)
Development charges exemption

CAO'S REPORT:

Proposed Environmental activity (EASR)

MOTIONS:

Recommendations from Finance & Administration and Public Works & Operations meeting

BY-LAWS:

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Lambton Municipal Association –Thursday April 26, 2012
Drainage Committee meeting – Tuesday May 2, 2012 ~ 6:30pm
Regular meeting of Council – Monday May 7, 2012 ~ 6:00pm
Court of Revision – Dobie and Bobier Drain – Tuesday May 8, 2012 ~ 6:30pm
Committee of the Whole – Tuesday May 22, 2012 ~ ?????
Regular meeting of Council – Tuesday May 22, 2012 ~ ?????

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 J. Agar

Motion #1 That the minutes of the Council meeting held April 9, 2012 – Session #8 be adopted as printed.

CARRIED

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Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #2: That the minutes of the Sombra Museum meeting held March 15, 2012 be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

At the appointed time Council welcomed Rev. Dan Rushome of the St. Andrew's Church in Corunna present to discuss with Council the Corunna Community Church's committee effort to develop a vegetable garden to assist two local food banks. Rev. Rushome stated that the church group's original plan to develop a community garden at property known as 364 Colborne Street was denied by Council due to various reasons including an inappropriate zoning. Council made several suggestions where in their opinion such a garden could be located on existing church property but Rev. Rushome said the properties mentioned would not be secure against possible vandalism. After considerable discussion, it was;

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #3: That the neighbors and property owners adjacent to property known as 364 Colborne street be invited to attend a future meeting of Council to discuss the possibility of the location of the proposed community garden.

DEFEATED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #4: That the Corunna Community Churches group work with the Township staff to find a suitably located piece of municipal property in the Industrial Park for the location of the community garden with staff being instructed to proceed with such arrangements if a suitable site can be located on municipally owned property.

CARRIED

Mr. Doug Lasenby was present to discuss with Council, Council's reaction to the location of a new industrial type tenant on property on Paget Street in Corunna previously occupied by NewAlta. Mr. Lasenby advised that in his opinion and that of the owner and the solicitor for the owner, the location of Catalytic Services on this property is a legitimate use relative to the zoning by-law due to the fact that the property is considered legal, non-conforming for industrial uses. After considerable discussion, Council advised that it disagreed with Mr. Lasenby's opinion and that Council would continue with the legal recourse as determined earlier by Council.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Council reviewed the items of correspondence.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #5: That permission be granted to the Bluewater Health Foundation to sell dream home lottery tickets for 2013 in the Township of St. Clair.

CARRIED

The correspondence submitted by Carlo Cimetta relative to Plan 730 was received as information.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #6: That the property standards complaint received on the property known municipally as 167 Templeton Court in Courtright be referred to the Property Standards Officer for investigation and report.

CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #7: That the following correspondence be received and dealt with as per Council's instructions as noted:

- a. Beth Nutt – Community Garden
Inst. See motion #4

MOTIONS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #15: That the recommendations made at the Finance and Administration meeting and the Public Works and Operations meeting held April 23, 2012 be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #16: That By-law #17 of 2012 being a by-law to authorize a Development Agreement with Denis Harold Marcus for Concession 8, North Part Lot E, geographic, Township of Sombra, Township of St. Clair, County of Lambton (4011 St. Clair Parkway) having been given the necessary three readings, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Pete Gilliland

Deputy Mayor Gilliland questioned the status of the draft by-law to repeal the by-law to deem Plan 730 of the Paddock Green Subdivision. Deputy Mayor Gilliland was advised that the by-law to deem Plan 730 was never passed by Council so therefore a repeal is not necessary.

Darrell Randell

Councillor Randell advised of the upcoming annual general meeting of the Wilkesport Community Center Board. Also members of Council were invited to attend the June 7th St. Clair River area of concern symposium at the Lambton Inn.

Pat Carswell-Alexander

Councillor Carswell-Alexander asked staff to repair the pothole on the Brigden Road just south of the Petrolia Line.

Jim DeGurse

Councillor DeGurse reminded Council of the May 5th Shred It date sponsored in cooperation with the OPP and the CCPC.

Steve Arnold

Mayor Arnold congratulated Councillor Randell who came in first place in the VIP class of the annual St. Clair Conservation canoe race. It was pointed out that over \$3100 was raised for children's program of which over \$900 was raised by Mayor Arnold and the Chair of the Conservation Authority. The Mayor has also been invited to attend the annual meeting of the Sombra Child Care group later this week.

In discussion of future meetings, the Mayor declared that the regular meeting of Council scheduled for Monday May 21st be postponed until Tuesday May 22nd in view of the Victoria Day holiday.

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #17: That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss a legal and property issue.

CARRIED

Meeting returned to order.

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Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #18: That the CAO be instructed to continue negotiations with Midfield for a possible lease renewal on the Township rental facility located on Polymore Drive based on the current direction of the lease renewal negotiations.

CARRIED

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 8:45 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK