

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION # 21**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
November 18, 2013
5:00 pm

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
Absent:	J. Baranek	Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning

AGENDA

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Adopt Minutes:

Regular Council – Nov 4, 2013 - Session #20
Moore Museum Minutes - October 2, 2013
Sombra Museum Minutes – October 17, 2013

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

5:30 pm Wilkesport Community Centre Board-cheque presentation

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) K. MacKay and R. Gasser
- b) Lambton 4-H Association – grant request
- c) L.A.W.S.S.-Offer of RMO service

INFORMATION:

- 1) Royal Canadian Legion Br 447 – invitation
- 2) St. Clair Conservation – 2014 budget
- 3) Clean Harbours – T.D.U. shutdown
- 4) Methes – business update
- 5) County of Lambton – Council highlights
- 6) CCpC – November 5 minutes
- 7) Lambton Farm Safety – Aug 23 minutes
- 8) Source Water Protection – MOE grant

DRAINS:

Council Meeting
October 7, 2013

By-law 23 of 2013 – Vandendool Drain-amendment
By-law 24 of 2013 – Harris Phair Drain-amendment

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

Site Plan Agreement – Enbridge Gas Distribution

CLERK'S REPORT:

- Source Water Protection – MOE grant funding
- Corunna Medical Clinic

CAO'S REPORT:

In camera - legal

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:25 pm and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None declared.

The Mayor declared an in camera session to discuss a legal issue

The meeting returned to order

ADOPT MINUTES:

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

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #1 That the Minutes from the Council meeting held November 4, 2013 – Session #20 be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #2 That the Minutes from the Moore Museum Advisory Committee meeting held Oct 2, 2013 be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #3 That the Minutes from the Sombra Museum meeting held October 17, 2013 – be received and accepted as printed.

CARRIED

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #4 That the letter received from Kathleen McKay and Ralph Gasser regarding a water connection on McCallum Line be referred to staff for report.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #5 That the letter of request from 2014 grant funding for the Lambton 4H Club be tabled to budget deliberations.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D DeGurse

Motion #6 That the offer of RMO services by the Lambton Area Water Supply System be referred to the appropriate staff for report.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #7 That the following items of correspondence be dealt with as per Councils instructions.

- a) K. MacKay and R. Gasser-Motion # 4
- b) Lambton 4-H Association – grant request-Motion #5
- c) LAWSS – Offer of RMO service-Motion #6

CARRIED

INFORMATION:

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #8 That the following items of information identified as item #1 -8 be dealt with as per Councils instructions.

CARRIED

DRAINS:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #9 That Drainage By-law #23 of 2013, being a by-law to amend Drainage By-law #16 of 2012 for drainage works of the Vandendool Drain in the Township of St. Clair be given the necessary readings and signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Council advised that By-Law # 24 of 2013 is being withdrawn for correction.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #10 That Council authorize the mayor and Clerk to enter into a site plan agreement with Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. to permit a new office/warehouse building adjacent to their existing facility on Tecumseh Road and provide the attached by-law with all three readings.

CARRIED

Mayor Arnold questioned the number of culverts across the Jarvis Drain provided for in the site plan agreement. Councillor DeGurse as a rate payer on the Jarvis Drain advised

that there is a meeting with Enbridge representatives, Ray Dobbin Engineering, and the rate payers to discuss the Jarvis Drain issue. Enbridge has commissioned Mr. Dobbin to prepare a report on the suitability of the number and size of the drain crossing culverts.

CLERKS REPORT:

The Clerk provided a verbal report to Council as to information received from the Ministry of the Environment relative to a possible grant allocation to St. Clair Township to facilitate its cost in developing protocol to comply with the Drinking Water Source Protection Act. The Township has been allocated a grant in the amount \$45,000.00 that could be increased by an additional \$15,000.00 if the Township partners with other Municipalities in developing their protocols and enforcement of the Act, however it was pointed out that formal applications must be made to secure these grant funds.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #11 That an application be made to the Ministry of Environment for a grant to financially assist the Municipality in complying with the provisions of the Drinking Water Source Protection Act and that staff be directed to work cooperatively with other potential partner Municipality in the development of the necessary protocols.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #12 That the final payment of \$6,000.00 in support of the former Lyndoch Blood Clinic be paid to the Corunna Medical Clinic, and that the Clerks report dated November 14, 2013 be received.

CARRIED

MOTIONS:

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

Motion #13 That the recommendations from the Finance and Administration Committee and the Public Works and Operations Committee meetings held November 18, 2013 be approved and accepted.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

Motion #14 That the following application for loan under the Tile Drainage Act be approved subject to Provincial funding.

August Palocz

Lot 6, Con 7

amount \$36,800.00

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #15 That By-Law 48 of 2013 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a site plan agreement between the Township of St. Clair and Enbridge be given the necessary three readings be signed by the Mayor and Clerk the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #16 That By-law # 49 of 2013 being a By-law to apply for grant funding to Ministry of the Environment to help finance the Townships Drinking Water Source Protection Act obligations be given the necessary three readings be signed by the Mayor and Clerk the Corporate Seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

CARRIED

Council Meeting
October 7, 2013

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #17 That By-Law #50 of 2013 being a By-law to impose special annual rate for funds provided under the Tile Drainage Act be 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 attended on behalf of Council the Brigden November 11th ceremony that was held indoors, Legion members thanked the Township for their generosity in providing and installing a new flag pole at the Brigden Cenotaph. Deputy Mayor Gilliland also attended a recent Bluewater Health meeting and the Clean Harbours Community Committee meeting.

Steve Miller

Councillor Miller attended the November 11th ceremony hosted by the Wallaceburg Legion with Councillor Randell.

Darrell Randell

Councillor Randell also attended the Wallaceburg November 11th ceremony.

Jim DeGurse

Councillor DeGurse attended the Corunna Remembrance day ceremony.

Steve Arnold

Mayor Arnold advised the he attended both the Corunna November 11th ceremony to lay wreaths and later joined the ceremony at the Bridgen Legion, also attended the recent Corunna Legion dinner and attended the November 8th Harvest Home dinner host by the Wilkesport Community Board.

Chuck and Betty Laurewys and Mary Lou Denning representing the Wilkesport Community Board were present to present to Council a Cheque in the amount of \$73,634.67 as the Wilkesport Community Centre's financial contribution towards the development of the Wilkesport's splash pad and sports pad, it was pointed out that these two recreational facilities are very popular and that the fund raising was achieved in a little more than one year. On behalf of Council Mayor Arnold thanked the three board members for their continued dedication to community services and stated that their efforts were remarkable considering the size of their community base.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #18 That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned 5:40 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK