

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
SESSION # 1**

St. Clair Civic Centre  
Council Chambers  
January 6, 2014  
6:30 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
	J. Baranek	Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning

**AGENDA**

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

**Adopt Minutes:**

Regular Council – Session #26 – December 16, 2013  
Finance and Administration – December 16, 2013  
Public Works and Operations – December 16, 2013  
Sombra Museum – December 5, 2013

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

**DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

6:45 pm Public Meeting rezoning – 2564 Courtright Line

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) ROMA/OGRA – delegation request
- b) St. Clair Community Church – road closure request
- c) Paget Street residence - tow truck

**INFORMATION:**

- 1) Town of Fort Frances – OPP model
- 2) Township of Mulmur – assessment
- 3) Ombudsman 2013 report
- 4) Planning Report-2564 Courtright Line

**DRAINS:**

By-law 28 of 2013 – amending various drains  
By-law 29 of 2013 – amending various drains  
By-law 30 of 2013 – amending various drains  
By-law 1 of 2014 – amending various drains

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

**COORDINATOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT:**

- Tecumseh Road Closure

**TREASURER REPORT:**

- Land lease

**DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:**

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

**MOTIONS:**

**BY-LAWS:**

By-law #1 of 2014 – borrowing and banking arrangement  
By-law #2 of 2014 – Rezoning – 2564 Courtright line

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Committee of the Whole – Monday, January 20, 2014 3:00 p.m.  
- Regular Council – Monday, January 20, 2014 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole

**In Camera:**

-legal, property and personnel

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. and asked member to declare any conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

None declared.

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #1** That this regular meeting of Council do hereby commence at 6:25 pm.

**CARRIED**

**ADOPT 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 from the Council meeting held December 16, 2013 – Session #23 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion # 2** That the Minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on December 16, 2013 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by J. DeGurse

**Motion #3** That the Minutes of the Public Works and Operations Committee meeting held on December 16, 2013 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #4** That the Minutes of the Sombra Museum meeting held on December 5, 2013 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

Council directed that delegation requests be made to the Premier, the Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Energy, and the Ministry of Rural Affairs for possible audience at the ROMA/OGRA conference.

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by J. DeGurse

**Motion #5** That the request from the St. Clair Community Church for the possible lease by the Township of the unopened portion of George St. in Sombra be referred to staff for report.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #6** That the issue of the tow truck parking on Paget St. in Corunna be referred to the Township solicitor for advice.

**CARRIED**

The Mayor advised that he would attend the webinar hosted by the Southwest Economic Alliance on January the 7<sup>th</sup>.

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by P. Carswell Alexander

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

- a) ROMA/OGRA – delegation request - Motion # - direction to staff
- b) St. Clair Community Church – road closure request – Motion #5
- c) Paget Street residence - tow truck – Motion #6
- d) SWEA Intelligent Region project – Motion # - Mayor to attend

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Carswell-Alexander

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #8** That representative of the Ontario Provincial Police be invited to attend a future meeting of Council to make a presentation on the 2014 OPP costing to the Municipality.

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion # 9** That the following items of information be dealt with as per Councils instructions for items identified as agenda items #1 thru 4.

**CARRIED**

At the appointed time the Mayor called order the public meeting called to consider a rezoning application for property known as 2564 Courtright line. County planner Ezio Nadalin explained to Council his planning report on the subject rezoning dated January 3, 2014. Mr. Nadalin stated the application for rezoning was a result of a recent consent granted for the property. No one was present to speak in opposition to the proposal, the proponent's solicitor briefly spoke in support. At the conclusion of the discussion the Mayor declared the public meeting closed and the meeting returned to order.

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion # 10** That By-law Number 2 of 2014, being a by-law to amend the Comprehensive Zoning By-law 17 of 2003 pursuant to Section 34 and 39 of the Planning Act, be given the necessary three readings, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, the Corporate seal affixed thereto and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**DRAINS:**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell Alexander

**Motion #11** That Drainage By-law #28 of 2013, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$35,249.09 being money 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 S. Miller

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion # 12** That Drainage By-law #29 of 2013, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$28,656.88 being money 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. Agar

Seconded by J. DeGurse

**Motion # 13** That Drainage By-law #30 of 2013, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$11,624.12 being money 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 P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion # 14** That Drainage By-law #1 of 2014, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$14,463.37 being money 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**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

**COORDINATOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT:**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #15** That approval is granted to close a portion of Tecumseh Road between the Moore Line and the Rokeby Line from January 13, 2014 to January 23, 2014 to allow a road crossing pipeline installation provided that the road will be available for emergency and agricultural traffic.

**CARRIED**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #16** That the Treasurers report regarding the possible splitting of the farm lease for the Township property owned on Polymoore Dr. be tabled for further discussion.

**CARRIED**

**BY-LAWS:**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Carswell-Alexander

**Motion #17** That By-law Number 1 of 2014, the Borrowing By-law for the Township of St. Clair for the year 2014, 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:**

**Jeff Agar**

Councillor Agar advised that he has requested representatives from the Lambton Children's Safety Village to attend a future meeting of Council. The Clerk advised that he has been in contact with the Chairperson of the Committee and the Committee plans to attend Council at one of its February meetings.

**Steve Arnold**

Mayor Arnold advised of news paper articles regarding a hydro line extension in Northern Ontario as well as Government of Canada grant to support mailing cost for a community newspaper and well as a federal grant for the development of a trail system in Northern Ontario. The Mayor also questioned staff as to the need for a site plan amendment for the possible conversion use at the former Ethyl site. Staff was requested to contact the new owner to determine possible future uses for the site.

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #18** That the meeting enter an in camera session to discuss a legal, property, and personnel issues.

**CARRIED**

Meeting returned to order

Council directed that the March 6<sup>th</sup> budget deliberation commence at 5pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Council Meeting  
January 6, 2014

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Hearing no further business

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #19** That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK