

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION # 25**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
February 2, 2015
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
	T. Kingston	Councillor
	D. Randell	“
	J. Agar	“
	J. DeGurse	“
	S. Miller	“
Staff:	J. Rodey	CAO
	J. Baranek	Clerk/ Deputy CAO

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

St. Clair Township Civic Centre
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Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Minutes:

Regular Council – Session #24 – January 19, 2015
Finance & Administration Minutes – January 19, 2015
Public Works & Operations Minutes – January 19, 2015
Emergency Services Committee Meeting – January 14, 2015
Heritage St. Clair Committee Meeting – November 19, 2014
Moore Museum Advisory Committee Meeting – January 7, 2015

Business Arising from the Minutes:

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Central Lambton Family Health Team
- b) 1030 Petrolia Line/4026 & 3678 Kimball Road – Property Standards
- c) Jamie Butler – Rural Taxi Grant Reconsideration

INFORMATION:

- 1) CM2M HILL – Dinner Invitation – OGRA/ROMA
- 2) Cowan Insurance – Cocktail Reception
- 3) 2014 Building Report
- 4) LaSalle Line Watermain – Public Meeting for EA Process

DRAINS:

By-law #2 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$14,256.00 less \$2815.77 OMAFRA grant for a total of \$11, 440.23 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.

By-law #3 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$22,988.81 less \$6062.52 OMAFRA grant for a total of \$16,926.29 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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Amended Borrowing By-law 2015-02

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Aerial pre-construction meeting

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

CLERK'S REPORT:

- In Camera - Personnel

CAO'S REPORT:

- In Camera - Property

MOTIONS:

BY-LAWS:

- 10 of 2015 – Interim Tax Levies for 2015
- 2 of 2015 – AMENDED – Borrowing By-Law

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Committee of the Whole – Tuesday, February 17, 2015 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Tuesday, February 17, 2015 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole

In Camera

- Personnel/Property

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Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. Degurse

Motion #10 That staff be directed to inspect the properties known as 1030 Petrolia Line, 4026 Kimball Road and 3678 Kimball Road to determine whether or not the properties are in compliance with the Property Standards By-law and initiate the clean-up process if necessary.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #11 That the request submitted by Jamie Butler for reconsideration of a grant to operate a rural taxi within the Township be received as information.

CARRIED

Moved by J. DeGurse

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #12 That Council accept the following items of correspondence as per Council's direction:

- a) Central Lambton Family Health Team
- b) 1030 Petrolia Line/4026 & 3678 Kimball Road – Property Standards
- c) Jamie Butler – Rural Taxi Grant Reconsideration

CARRIED

INFORMATION:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #13 That the following items of information be dealt with as per Council's instructions for items identified as agenda items 1) thru 4):

- 1) CM2M HILL – Dinner Invitation – OGRA/ROMA
- 2) Cowan Insurance – Cocktail Reception
- 3) 2014 Building Report
- 4) LaSalle Line Watermain – Public Meeting for EA Process

CARRIED

DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

DRAINS:

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #14 That By-law #2 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$14,256.00 less \$2815.77 OMAFRA grant for a total of \$11, 440.23 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 J. DeGurse

Motion #15 By-law #3 of 2015, being a by-law to raise the sum of \$22,988.81 less \$6062.52 OMAFRA grant for a total of \$16,926.29 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:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #16 That it be recommended to Council that the Treasurer's report with regard to the Amended Borrowing By-law 2015 be accepted.

CARRIED

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #17 That it be recommended to Council that the Fire Chief's report with regard to the aerial pre-construction Meeting be received and approval be given to 'out of the country' travel plans for the purposes of attending the pre-construction meeting.

CARRIED

DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #18 That it be recommended to Council that the report of Carlie McClemens – Deputy Clerk with regard to the Lambton Area Water Supply be received and that Staff be directed to respond to Lambton Area Water Supply System accordingly.

CARRIED

CLERK'S REPORT:

MOTIONS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by T. Kingston

Motion #19 That the recommendations from the January 19, 2015 – Finance & Administration and Public Works & Operations Committee meetings be received.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. DeGurse

Motion #20 That By-laws 10 and AMENDED 2 receive all three readings and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute appurtenant agreements and be thereby passed:

10 of 2015 – Interim Tax Levies for 2015

2 of 2015 – AMENDED – Borrowing By-Law

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Gilliland:

Deputy Mayor Gilliland informed Council of an odour complaint he received from Jim Stewart on the evening of January 30, 2015 stemming from the Courtright Waste Water Treatment Plant. He expressed his continued frustration with the process to eliminate all odours at the plant.

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. Agar

Motion #21 That representatives from CH2MHill present to the Committee of the Whole at their upcoming meeting on February 17, 2015, the progress on the implementation of odour elimination procedures within the Courtright Waste Water Treatment Plant.

CARRIED

Councillor Agar:

Councillor Agar sought assurance that our by-law enforcement officer patrols for overnight parking infractions on township roads and asked that he increase his presence.

Councillor Randell:

Councillor Randell informed Council that Eldon Grant will be stepping down after 40 years of devoted service on the Sombra Museum Board. He will continue to perform valuations and other tasks around the Museum but will no longer sit on the Board.

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Councillor Randell continued by informing Council that he has again been appointed Chair of the Friends of the St. Clair River Committee for the 2015 year.

Councillor Kingston:

Councillor Kingston recently attended the Brigden Library meeting where it was brought to her attention that new carpet remains outstanding. She continued by informing Council of a neighbourhood meeting to be held the evening of February 4, 2015, for those in close proximity to the proposed aggregate recycling yard on Courtright Line in preparation for the upcoming hearing at the Ontario Municipal Board.

Councillor Kingston concluded by informing Council that she has enrolled in municipal ditch training in April in London Ontario.

Councillor DeGurse:

Councillor Degurse reflected comments made by Councillor Kingston in that he has been approached to attend the neighbourhood meeting to be held on February 4, 2015. He continued by stating he has received many complaints about snow plows operating to quickly along urban streets and knocking blue boxes over.

Councillor Degurse continued by stating Barb Little will be celebrating her 80th birthday on February 7, 2015 and invited Council to attend a party to be held at her residence. Mayor Arnold suggested Councillor Degurse attend with a certificate on behalf of Council.

Mayor Arnold:

Mayor Arnold informed Council that he has been approached by the neighbourhood group and was asked to speak at the meeting on February 4, 2015. He has agreed to speak on the facts for 10 minutes. He also attended a meeting of the Lambton College Strategic Care committee.

At the most recent meeting of LAWSS, Mayor Arnold was told the project to twin the water distribution line in the Township may not go forward. LAWSS received a quote for \$125,000 to design the final 500 meters of pipe, and they have decided to be patient in an effort to receive a more competitive price in the future. Mayor Arnold would like to see, at the very least, the engineering fully completed so the Township can use it in the future if LAWSS abandons plans to install the pipe at the current time. The issue of selling water to the north end of Chatham-Kent will have to be addressed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Arnold asked that Council be provided with the engineers report for the Sinclair/Virostek Drain as it has potential to be controversial and may be challenged or appealed by a neighbourhood group.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

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IN-CAMERA:

Moved by J. Degurse

Seconded by D. Randell

Motion #22 That the meeting enter into an in-camera session to discuss property and personnel matters at 7:10 p.m.

CARRIED

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Mayor Arnold declared the meeting back into open session at 7:25 p.m.. Seeing as there was no further business to discuss and nothing to rise and report from the in-camera session, Mayor Arnold called for a motion to adjourn.

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

Motion #23 That the meeting of Council hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK