#### TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR COUNCIL MINUTES SESSION #7

St. Clair Township Civic Centre April 6, 2015 5:30 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
	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

#### **Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

#### Minutes:

Finance & Administration Minutes – March 16, 2015 Public Works & Operations Minutes – March 16, 2015 Regular Council – Session #6 – March 16, 2015 Heritage St. Clair Committee Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2015 Moore Museum Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2015 The Sombra Museum Board Committee Meetings – March 19, 2015 Lambton County Historical Society Meeting Minutes – March 27, 2015

#### **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

#### **DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

5:45 p.m. – Tonya & Kelly Moran – Fence Request

6:00 p.m. - Heritage St. Clair - Dave Pattenden - WWI Books

6:20 p.m. – Kathy Van Sickle – Property Standards – 2421 & 2417 Courtright Line

6:40 p.m. – Jamie Butler

7:00 p.m. - Court of Revision - Sinclair-Virostek Drain

7:15 p.m. - Court of Revision - Jarvis Drain

7:30 p.m. - Court of Revision - Hescott-Anderson Drain

# **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) LCSV Site Plan Relief Request
- b) Charter Challenge of Ontario
- c) Devon Sykes Skateboard Park Request

d) Steve Laverdure – Special Permit

e) Moore Presbyterian Foundation – Thompson Gardens Funding Request

f) Journey of Hope – Funding Request

g) Great Lakes Mayors – Membership Renewal

- h) Moore Agricultural Society Brigden Fair Grant Request
- i) Corunna Firefighters Field Days Community Festival
- j) Property Standards Petrolia Line
- k) Heritage St. Clair Municipal Register

# **INFORMATION:**

- 1) SCRCA Update
- 2) Ontario Senior of the Year Award
- 3) Pembina: Hydrocarbon Storage Proposal
- 4) MOECC Migratory Birds Act Response
- 5) OMWA Membership Request
- 6) Internet Issues Ryan Browning
- 7) Firemen Field Days Road Closure
- 8) Rural Taxi By-law Enforcement
- 9) Larry & Kathy Vansickle Property Standards

## **DRAINS:**

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

Barry Uitvlugt, Senior Planner - HD Industries Site Plan, 626 Polymoore Drive, Corunna

## FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Support Truck Tender 2015

## **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS' REPORT:**

- Provincial Officer's Order & Provincial Officer's Report

### **COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING'S REPORTS:**

- Clairwood & Glenesk Watermain Replacement and Road Resurfacing
- Courtright Line Watermain Loop St. Clair Parkway to Eighth Street

### **DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING'S REPORTS:**

Proposed 70 Metre Rogers Telecommunications Self-Support Tower
 Follow up to Property Complaint – 497 Courtright Line

### **CLERK'S REPORTS:**

- Fur trappers 2015
- Voters List Management Agreement
- Outdoor Furnace By-law

### CAO'S REPORT:

### **MOTIONS:**

### **BY-LAWS:**

17 of 2015 – Datafix Voter List Agreement 19 of 2015 – Adopt 2015 Budget 20 of 2015 – Site Plan – HD Industrial 21 of 2015 – Outdoor Furnace

### **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

# **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Committee of the Whole Monday, April 20, 2015 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Monday, April 20, 2015 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole
- Regular Council Monday, May 4, 2015 ~ 6:30 p.m.
- Committee of the Whole Tuesday, May 19, 2015 ~3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Tuesday, May 19, 2015 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole
- May 13, 2015 Tentatively scheduled Drainage Meeting ~ 6:30 p.m.

# In Camera

- Property

# ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

None declared.

# ADOPT MINUTES:

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by J. AgarMotion #1That the Minutes from the Finance and Administration Operating Budgetmeeting held March 16, 2015 be received and accepted as printed.

#### CARRIED

Moved by J. AgarSeconded by D. RandellMotion #2That the Minutes from the Public Works meeting held March 16, 2015 bereceived and accepted as printed.

### CARRIED

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by J. AgarMotion #3That the Minutes from the Council meeting Session #6 held March 16, 2015be received and accepted as printed.

### CARRIED

Moved by J. AgarSeconded by D. RandellMotion #4That the Minutes from the Heritage St. Clair Committee meeting heldFebruary 18, 2015 be received as printed.

#### CARRIED

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by J. AgarMotion #5That the Minutes from the Moore Museum Advisory Committee meeting heldMarch 4, 2015 be received as printed.

#### CARRIED

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by J. AgarMotion #6That the Minutes from the Sombra Museum Board Committee meeting heldMarch 19, 2015 be received as printed.

### CARRIED

Moved by J. AgarSeconded by D. RandellMotion #7That the Minutes from the Lambton County Historical Society meeting heldMarch 27, 2015 be received as printed.

### CARRIED

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Moved by J. AgarSeconded by P. GillilandMotion #8That a donation of \$1000 be made to the Lambton Children's Safety Villageto be used as their application fee for site plan approval.

#### CARRIED

Moved by S. MillerSeconded by J. DegurseMotion #9That the request to look into the development of a skateboard park in<br/>Mooretown or Courtright submitted by Devon Sykes be referred to the Moore Optimists.

## CARRIED

Moved by P. GillilandSeconded by J. AgarMotion #10That the request submitted by Steve Laverdure to endorse a special eventspermit for a Slo-Pitch National Qualifier to be held at CAP Park on May 9 be approved.

#### CARRIED

Moved by P. GillilandSeconded by D. RandellMotion #11That the annual request for financial support in the amount of \$14,003 from<br/>the Moore Presbyterian Foundation for the operation of the Cruickshank Centre at<br/>Thompson Gardens be approved.

#### CARRIED

Moved by S. MillerSeconded by D. RandellMotion #12That the request for a donation towards the Journey of Hope be referred to<br/>the Finance Committee for consideration.

#### CARRIED

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by J. DegurseMotion #13That the annual membership to the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence CitiesInitiative be renewed for the 2015 year and the dues of \$2,500 be paid in full.

#### CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller Seconded by D. Randell <u>Motion #14</u> That the annual request submitted by the Moore Agricultural Society in the amount of \$15,000 to help support the 165<sup>th</sup> Brigden Fall Fair be referred to the Finance Committee meeting on April 20, 2015.

#### CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar Seconded by J. Degurse <u>Motion #15</u> That the request submitted by the Corunna Volunteer Firefighters' Association to declare the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Firefighter Field Days a "community festival" be approved.

#### CARRIED

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by P. GillilandMotion #16That the property standards complaint received for properties known as 1020Petrolia Line, 1030 Petrolia Line, 2030 Petrolia Line, 2724 Petrolia Line, 2294 PetroliaLine, be received and filed without action.

#### CARRIED

Moved by J. Agar Seconded by D. Randell <u>Motion #17</u> That the request submitted by Heritage St. Clair to consider the letter about adding a property to a Municipal Registry be tabled to the April 20, 2015 meeting of Council to ask them to present through a deputation.

## CARRIED

# Seconded by D. Dandal

Moved by P. GillilandSeconded by J. AgarMotion #18That Council accepts the following items of correspondence as per Council's<br/>direction:

a) LCSV – Site Plan Relief Request
b) Charter Challenge of Ontario
c) Devon Sykes – Skateboard Park Request
d) Steve Laverdure – Special Permit
e) Moore Presbyterian Foundation – Thompson Gardens Funding Request
f) Journey of Hope – Funding Request
g) Great Lakes Mayors – Membership Renewal
h) Moore Agricultural Society – Brigden Fair Grant Request
i) Corunna Firefighters – Field Days – Community Festival
j) Property Standards – Petrolia Line
k) Heritage St. Clair – Municipal Register

# **INFORMATION:**

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by P. GillilandMotion #19That the following items of information be dealt with as per Council's instructions for items identified as agenda items #1 thru 9:

1) SCRCA Update

2) Ontario Senior of the Year Award

3) Pembina: Hydrocarbon Storage Proposal

4) MOECC – Migratory Birds Act Response

5) OMWA – Membership Request

6) Internet Issues – Ryan Browning

7) Firemen Field Days – Road Closure

8) Rural Taxi – By-law Enforcement

9) Larry & Kathy Vansickle – Property Standards

### CARRIED

**CARRIED** 

# **DEPUTATIONS:**

# <u>**Tonya and Kelly Moran – Fence Variance Request**</u>

At the appointed time, Mayor Arnold welcomed Tonya Moran, owner of 4677 Crescent Drive in Port Lambton, to address Council related to a fence variance request under subsection 3(e) of By-law 36 of 2010.

The Moran's are requesting permission to erect a 5 foot tall chain link fence to enclose their rear yard and protect their children from the abutting canal.

Clerk Jeff Baranek advised Council that, as per policy, all land owners within 60 meters of the subject property were notified of the variance request and that no letters in favour or in objection were received.

Mayor Arnold asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak in favour of or in opposition to the request and nobody came forward.

Moved by S. Miller Seconded by D. Randell <u>Motion #20</u> That the fence variance request submitted by the Moran's for 4677 Crescent Drive in Port Lambton be approved to permit the erection of a chain link (or other substitute transparent material) fence with a maximum height of 5 feet to enclose the rear and side yards.

### CARRIED

## Heritage St. Clair

At the appointed time of 6:00 pm, Mayor Arnold welcomed Heritage St. Clair and asked Dave Pattenden to come forward to present St Clair Allies in Arms, *The Men of Sombra and Moore in World War 1* to Council.

Mr. Pattenden proudly presented a copy of the book to Mayor Arnold explaining that coauthors Gail Moran and Catherine Bouman are responsible for all the research of local veterans who selflessly served in World War 1.

Mayor Arnold then asked Gail and Catherine to come forward and receive a token of appreciation on behalf of Council for all the hard work and determination donated by each individual throughout the research and development of this book. On behalf of Council, Mayor Arnold was honoured to have the opportunity to thank them for their efforts and congratulate them on a job very well done.

### **Property Standards – Kathy Vansickle 2417 and 2421 Courtright Line**

At the appointed time of 6:40 pm, Mayor Arnold welcomed Kathy Vansickle to come forward to address Council about outstanding property standard invoices at 2417 and 2421 Courtright Line.

Mrs. Vansickle advised Council that she immigrated to the Township in 1981 and began operating a business. She has continued to live here since that time and was able to raise a family. If the buildings on the subject properties are knocked down, with it they will take her kids legacy down.

Mrs. Vansickle would like Council to consider not demolishing the two buildings and requests an extension to bring them into compliance. At the appeal hearing in the fall of 2014, the outcome was confusing and she did not receive anything properly identifying the decision of the committee. Clerk Jeff Baranek advised Council that the decision was mailed out but, after consultation with Mrs. Vansickle, it was mailed out again to a new address and the deadline was extended accordingly.

Mrs. Vansickle continued by stating that she submitted complaints about other properties throughout the township and the result was not the same as what has continuously happened to her and her husband. Mayor Arnold advised that all signed complaints are treated equally by Council.

To conclude, Mrs. Vansickle offered to continue to work at both properties to bring them into compliance and asked that Council consider not removing the buildings and granting an extension on the Orders to Comply.

Mayor Arnold asked for a report from staff on timelines and status for both properties for the next meeting on April 20, 2015.

# <u> Rural Taxi – Jamie Butler</u>

At the appointed time of 6:40 pm, Mayor Arnold welcomed Jamie Butler to come forward and address Council related to taxi by-law concerns.

Mayor Arnold informed Mr. Butler that the 30 day requirement for insurance has come from his company and not from any Township by-law. Mr. Butler understood and admitted he suspected that was the source.

In terms of the enforcement of the by-law, Mr. Butler asked Council why they do not prohibit cabs from other municipalities from coming into the township to operate. Mayor Arnold informed Mr. Butler that, currently, he is the only authorized taxi company in the municipality which has a population of 15,000 people. Mr. Butler advised that he was cornered and almost charged by Sarnia Police while waiting for patrons outside an establishment in Sarnia for not having a city license. He questions why he can't pick up people in Sarnia when their cabs are able to bring people from a destination within the township, to another.

Mayor Arnold reminded Mr. Butler that the municipality's taxi license by-law is not enforced by the OPP and is not a Provincial Offences By-law.

Mr. Butler informed Council he will no longer be applying for a taxi license within the municipality but, will continue to operate.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

Moved by P. Gilliland Seconded by J. Agar Motion #21 That Council that the report of Barry Uitvlugt Senior Planner dated March 31, 2015 with regard to HD Industries Site Plan, 626 Polymoore Drive, Corunna be accepted and received and that Council give approval in principle to the site plan agreement, provided all municipal concerns are addressed financially and otherwise; and that Council pass the executing by-law pertaining to this agreement.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Moved by J. DeGurse Seconded by T. Kingston Motion #22 That the report of Chief Walt Anderson dated April 6, 2015 with regard to Support Truck Tender 2015 be accepted and received and that Council accept the tender from Ron Clarke Motors that meets all the specs and is the lowest price.

**CARRIED** 

CARRIED

## **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS' REPORT:**

Moved by J. DeGurse Seconded by S. Miller. Motion #23 That it be recommended that Council accept the report submitted by Matt Deline - Director of Public Works dated April 1, 2015 with regard to Provincial Officer's Order & Provincial Officer's Report.

### CARRIED

# **COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING'S REPORTS:**

Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by J. DeGurse Motion #24 That the report of Paul daSilva – Coordinator of Engineering dated April 1, 2015 with regard to Clairwood & Glenesk Watermain Replacement & Road Resurfacing be accepted and received and that Council accept the tender submitted by Wicks Construction & General Contracting in the amount of \$608,888.34 net HST and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the contract and other related documents.

#### CARRIED

Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by J. DeGurse Motion #25 That the report of Paul daSilva – Coordinator of Engineering dated April 1, 2015 with regard to the Courtright Line Watermain Loop – St. Clair Parkway to Eighth Street be accepted and received and that Council accept the tender submitted by Clark Construction Inc. in the amount of \$342,203.11 net HST and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the contract and other related documents.

#### **CARRIED**

### **DEPUTY CLERK/COORDINATOR OF PLANNING:**

Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by S. Miller Motion #26 That the report of Carlie McClemens - Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning dated March 30, 2015 with regard to the Proposed 70 Metre Rogers Telecommunications Self-Support Tower be received and that Council direct Staff to proceed with scheduling a public meeting prior to rendering a decision of site approval should Council still wish to pursue this proposal.

### CARRIED

#### Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by J. DeGurse Motion #27 That the report of Carlie McClemens - Deputy Clerk/Coordinator of Planning dated March 31, 2015 with regard to the Follow up to Property Complaint - 497 Courtright Line be received for information purposes.

# **CLERK'S REPORT:**

Moved by S. Miller Seconded by T. Kingston Motion #28 That the report of Jeff Baranek – Clerk dated March 24, 2015 with regard to Fur trappers – 2015 be received.

## CARRIED

Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by S. Miller Motion #29 That the report of Jeff Baranek – Clerk dated March 24, 2015 with regard to By-Law 17 of 2015 – Datafix – Voters List Management Agreement be received.

### **CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell Seconded P. Gilliland Motion #30 That internet voting not be considered for the 2018 election.

### CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller Seconded by T. Kingston Motion #31 That the report of Jeff Baranek – Clerk dated March 30, 2015 with regard to Outdoor Solid Fuel Combustion Appliance By-Law 21 of 2015 be received and that Council approve By-Law 21 of 2015 being a by-law to regulate the installation of outdoor solid-fuel combustion appliances within the Township by giving it all three readings.

## CARRIED

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Motion #32 That the request submitted by Cliff Roy, author of Shawanese Township: The Baby Point Settlement, to have the Township publish 20 copies of the book to be distributed to dignitaries at the grand opening of Brander Park in the Spring of 2015 be approved.

# **BY-LAWS:**

Moved by T. Kingston Seconded by S. Miller Motion #33 That By-laws 17 and 19 - 21 receive all three readings and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute appurtenant agreements and be thereby passed:

17 of 2015 – Datafix Voter List Agreement 19 of 2015 - Adopt 2015 Budget 20 of 2015 – Site Plan – HD Industrial 21 of 2015 – Outdoor Furnace

### CARRIED

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

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#### CARRIED

Seconded by D. Randell

## **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**

## **Deputy Mayor Gilliland:**

On behalf of the Township, Deputy Mayor Gilliland brought greetings and a certificate to Howard Cook on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Further, Deputy Mayor Gilliland is concerned with the condition of Plank Road between Mandaumin and Petrolia Line indicating it has almost no gravel.

## **Councillor Agar:**

Councillor Agar reminded Council that, once a lease is entered into with the Lambton Children's Safety Village, they would like to have the sign erected on the site.

## Councillor Miller:

Councillor Miller attended the Port Lambton Hall Board meeting on April 1, 2015 and the roof and gazebo project will be put on hold but, they will be installing a concrete pad.

Councillor Miller continued by stating that the gas bills for the Port Lambton Hall were in excess of \$1600 for the months of January and February and the only use the hall gets during those months is for the library.

Moved by S. MillerSeconded by D. RandellMotion #34That Council donate \$600 to the Port Lambton Hall to offset the cost of the<br/>gas bill during the winter months.

CARRIED

## Councillor Kingston:

Councillor Kingston advised Council that she participated in Drainage School in London to familiarize herself with the Drainage Act and its procedures. Further, she informed Council that she had received complaints about the garbage to the north of No Frills on Bunker Ave.

### Jim Degurse:

Councillor Degurse advised Council of many potholes along Beckwith Street in Corunna, and one in the crosswalk on St. Clair Parkway just north of Beckwith Street.

### Mayor Steve Arnold:

Mayor Arnold met with SouthWest Ag to seek out opportunities for them to expand their operation within the Township. He also attended the most recent LAWSS meeting and noted nothing was of interest other than the continued engineering on the twinning project.

Mayor Arnold attended the Fish Dinner fundraiser in Port Lambton on Good Friday and it was a great event; he attended and brought greetings on behalf of Council to a couple 80<sup>th</sup> birthday parties, and a 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Mayor Arnold concluded by informing Council of his meeting with the Liberal candidate to educate him on the issues facing the township.

# **COURT OF REVISION:**

## Sinclair/Virostek Drain:

At the appointed time of 7:00 p.m. Mayor Arnold called the Court to Order to hear assessment appeals for the Sinclair/Virostek Drain.

Mayor Arnold declared and read aloud letters of appeal from Gregory Luinstra, Cathy and Dale McDonald, Ken and Susan Weed, Allan and Irene Goodall, Ron and Pauline Barnes, Don and Nancy McClemens, Dave Morton, Dan and Lynda West, Terry and Nancy Janson and one letter of support by Michael Virostek.

Mayor Arnold first called on Mike DeVos, the engineer representing Spriet Associates, who was responsible for drafting the report on the drain. Mr. DeVos noted that the existing drain was not designed to accommodate the ribbon development of residential houses that exists today. As a result of their development, the drain no longer satisfies the farmland it used to service as the dwellings interrupt the water's ability to get to the roadside drain. As a result, this causes ponding to the rear (north) of the houses along Rokeby Line and over a portion of the farmland, which triggered the petition for a new municipal drain.

After the consideration meeting, the drain remained a buried culvert in the rear of the houses where they could connect and in the most suitable location to serve the farm, on property owned by the Virosteks.

Greg Holmes, on behalf of Catherine Dobroski of 148 Rokeby Line, was sworn in. Mr. Holmes wondered why the latest handout did not show a reimbursement for the Dobroski property even though the drain is occupying a lot of land from this lot. Mr. DeVos explained that the schedule of assessment has not changed and that a benefit will still be awarded to the property, same as the last report mailed to the ratepayers. He reminded everyone that the final numbers are not in and will not be until the drain is constructed. Mr. Holmes then wanted to offer a simple solution that would save everyone a lot of money but, was reminded by Mayor Arnold that the Court of Revision dealt exclusively with assessment appeals and that this was not the avenue for new technical or design suggestions.

Cathy McDonald, of 158 Rokeby Line and author of one of the letters received by the Court, wanted to know why her benefit was not higher considering she is losing 40 trees and having two catch basins installed. Mr. DeVos informed her that the area of land being cleared for the drain is not highly assessed land and is, instead, bush land and noted that she is still receiving a benefit. Mrs. McDonald continued by asking why her assessment is higher than that of her neighbours. Mr. DeVos informed her that she has one of the larger lots on the drain and, therefore, generates more surface water. Mrs. McDonald wanted to know why her lot was chosen for access during construction and Mr. DeVos declared her lot as the most practical location. Township Drainage Superintendent - Dave Neely noted that they can look at alternatives at the outset of construction.

Ken Weed, of 176 Rokeby Line and author of a letter of appeal, advised the Court that cameras were put through the Sinclair Drain a few years back and repairs were made at that time. Since then, he has had no drainage concerns and, therefore, he does not want to pay any assessment into this new drain. Mr. DeVos noted that the new branch (Virostek) provides a cut off benefit to the residential properties along Rokeby but, not all are assessed into that drain.

Greg Luinstra, of 152 Rokeby Line and author of a letter of appeal, informed Council that his lot was built up higher than surrounding lots before he purchased it and, therefore, he has no water problems. He feels his assessment should be zero and that the responsibility for this drain should be solely that of the owner of the farm lot.

Ron Barnes, of 182 Rokeby Line and author of a letter of appeal, has no water issues and the new branch will not collect any of his water. Therefore, he does not feel that he should be assessed anything for the new branch.

Dan West, of 162 Rokeby Line and author of a letter of appeal, also feels his lot will not benefit from the drain and, therefore, feels his lot should not be subject to any assessment.

Linda West, also of 162 Rokeby Line, noted that her lot has a natural pond at the rear (north) which is an attractive feature for ducks and other wildlife. The pond collects all of her surface water and therefore they do not need an outlet. Mr. DeVos advised that such a

pond requires an outlet or guarantees that the pond cannot flood have to be put in place and, if it does, measures have to be taken to prevent that water from getting to adjacent properties.

Mike DeVos advised the Court that the residential lots along Rokeby were not considered differently based on their orientation of east and west. Consideration of this is something the court could require.

Moved by D. Randell Seconded by T. Kingston <u>Motion #35</u> That the Engineer's assessment on the Sinclair/Virostek Drain in accordance with the Engineer's report dated December 31, 2014 be accepted and confirmed and that the Court of Revision on the Sinclair/Virostek be closed.

### CARRIED

## <u>Jarvis Drain:</u>

At the appointed time of 7:15 p.m. Mayor Arnold called the Court to Order to hear assessment appeals for the Jarvis Drain.

Mayor Arnold confirmed that the Court received no letters appeal and welcomed Ray Dobbin, engineer for the project and author of the engineering report, to summarize the report.

Mr. Dobbin advised the Court that the purpose for this report was to provide Enbridge with two new culverts and access points. The full assessment for this report and the work is being borne by Enbridge.

Mayor Arnold asked if anyone in attendance would like to speak to appeal their assessment and, seeing none, asked for a motion.

### Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by T. Kingston

<u>Motion #36</u> That the Engineer's assessment on the Jarvis Drain, in accordance with the Engineer's report dated November 25, 2014, be accepted and confirmed and that the Court of Revision on the Jarvis Drain be closed.

#### CARRIED

### Hescott/Anderson Drain:

At the appointed time of 7:30 p.m. Mayor Arnold called the Court to Order to hear assessment appeals for the Hescott/Anderson Drain.

Mayor Arnold declared and read aloud letters of appeal from Raymond Gilmore, on behalf of the late Wilfred Eastman, Gerry MacPherson, Robert Funk, and John MacPherson.

Mayor Arnold asked engineer Ray Dobbin to summarize his report. Mr. Dobbin began by suggesting that a culvert belonging to Robert Funk named to be replaced in the report, does not require replacement in Mr. Dobbin's opinion. The purpose of Mr. Dobbin's report is to improve the grading of the drain between the CN tracks and Highway 40 and extend the drain to Baby Creek. The work included in the report will see a new bore underneath the CN tracks to lower the existing culvert, making it more functional.

Gerry MacPherson, owner of 328 Moore Line and author of a letter of appeal, challenged whether his culvert needed to be replaced. In his opinion, it is in good repair. Further, he did not want to see any trees removed on the sides of the drain as it helps prevent erosion and have never caused an issue. Ray Dobbin stated that, in his opinion, the culvert requires replacement to avoid failure in the coming years. In terms of the trees, Drainage Superintendent - Dave Neely indicated he would like to see the majority removed but, could work with the contractor once the project begins to save as many as possible without interrupting proper cleanout and brushing of the channel. John MacPherson, owner of 1532 Moore Line and author of a letter of appeal, wanted to leave his existing culvert as it is, indicating that it is in good condition. He also did not want trees removed from the drain. Mr. Dobbin indicated that the culvert in this location is older than 40 years which is the usual life for culverts.

Ray Gilmore, speaking on behalf of the late Wilfred Eastman, indicated that a culvert located across the road (south side of Moore Line) is the cause of a sink hole on his property. He feels that, because the municipality must have approved the connection, it should be the Township's responsibility to bear all costs for its repair.

Seeing nobody else who wished to appeal their assessment, Mayor Arnold asked for a motion.

Moved by P. GillilandSeconded by J. DegurseMotion #37That the Court of Revision for the Hescott/Anderson be adjourned.

### CARRIED

Considering the engineer suggested a culvert in line for replacement may not require it at this time, Mayor Arnold asked for a report from Drainage Superintendent - Dave Neely with possible options to continue to move the project forward.

Mayor Arnold declared the Courts of Revision closed and the meeting of Council back into session.

# **IN-CAMERA:**

Moved by J. AgarSeconded by J. DegurseMotion #38That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss two property matters.

## CARRIED

Mayor Arnold declared the meeting back into open session at 9:15 p.m. and noted there was nothing to rise and report from the in-camera session.

Seeing no further business to discuss, it was thereby moved:

Moved by D. RandellSeconded by S. MillerMotion #39That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Mayor - Steve Arnold

Clerk - Jeff Baranek