

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
SESSION #13**

St. Clair Township Civic Centre  
July 6, 2015  
6:30 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:**

Regular Council – Session #12 – June 15, 2015  
Finance & Administration Minutes – June 15, 2015  
Public Works & Operations Minutes – June 15, 2015

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

**DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

6:30 pm - Don's Journey of Hope – Don Wells

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) Owen & Calla Nicol – Rogers Tower Concern
- b) Taylor Hess – Noise By-law Exemption Request
- c) Michelle Erickson – Noise By-law Exemption Request
- d) AMO – Delegation Request
- e) Ron Hill – Shoreline Erosion
- f) Thompson St. & Fourth St. – 4 Way Stop
- g) Jean Ladouceur – Container request
- h) Susan Kucera - Noise By-law Exemption Request

**INFORMATION:**

- 1) Official Plan Amendment #20
- 2) Ignite Lambton 2015

**DRAINS:**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

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- Fire Hall Upgrades

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

**COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Committee of the Whole – Monday, July 20, 2015 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, July 20, 2015 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole
- Committee of the Whole – Monday, August 10, 2015 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, August 10, 2015 ~ 5:00 p.m. after Committee of the Whole

**In Camera**

- Property & Legal

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.  
None declared.

**DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

At the appointed time of 6:30 p.m., Mayor Arnold welcomed Don Wells and asked him to come forward to accept a donation to assist with his efforts in the recently completed Don's Journey of Hope for Childhood Leukemia Research. Don recently completed the third annual 163 km walk from Port Lambton to Windsor to help raise funds for the Canadian Cancer Society. On behalf of the Township, Mayor Arnold donated a cheque to the cause and presented Don with a commemorative certificate of his achievements.

**ADOPT MINUTES:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by J. Agar

**Motion #1** That the Minutes from the Council meeting Session #12 held June 15, 2015 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #2** That the Minutes from the Finance & Administration meeting held on June 15, 2015 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by J. Agar

**Motion #3** That the Minutes from the Public Works & Operations meeting held June 15, 2015 be received as printed.

**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mayor Arnold welcomed those in attendance to discuss noise by-law exemptions for upcoming weddings at Bogey's Inn in Sombra. The current by-law prohibits the use of

outdoor speakers past 10:00 p.m. and many upcoming wedding parties would like exemptions to use outdoor speakers until 1:00 a.m. Among the concerns raised by patrons were that they booked the use of the hall prior to the implementation of the noise by-law, bands have been hired, deposits are non-refundable and they were never informed of the by-law.

Shawn Bogaert, of 2845 St. Clair Parkway, and owner of Bogey's Inn submitted a petition of local land owners who were protesting the limitations of the current noise by-law. Mr. Bogaert was requesting that Council consider extending the time for the use of outdoor speakers from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. to mirror by-laws throughout the province.

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #4** That the request submitted by Taylor Hess for an exemption to the noise by-law allowing the use of outdoor speakers until 1:00 a.m. at Bogey's Inn for her wedding to be held on August 27, 2016, be denied.

**CARRIED**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. Degurse

**Motion #5** That Section 3 of By-law 44 of 2014 be amended to permit the use of outdoor speakers until 11:00 p.m. from the current time of 10:00 p.m..

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #6** That the request submitted by Michelle Erickson for an exemption to the noise by-law allowing the use of outdoor speakers until 1:00 a.m. at Bogey's Inn for her wedding to be held on August 22, 2015, be denied.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by T. Kingston

**Motion #7** That staff work together with Ron Hill and the Ministry of Natural Resources to control the shoreline erosion north of his property at 1340 St. Clair Parkway.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #8** That the request to consider a four way stop at the intersection of Thompson and Fourth Streets in Courtright be referred to staff for a report on traffic counts and speeds in the area.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by T. Kingston

**Motion #9** That the request submitted by Jean Ladouceur, owner of 682 Bentinck Drive in Corunna, to have a storage container brought to her home to help her move be approved for a period of 7 days as long as reflective tape or a barricade is put in place to alert vehicular traffic.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #10** That the request submitted by Susan Kucera for an exemption to the noise by-law allowing the use of outdoor speakers past 11:00 p.m. at Bogey's Inn for her daughter's wedding to be held on August 15, 2015, be denied.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #11** That the request submitted by Dave Mills for an exemption to the noise by-law allowing the use of outdoor speakers until 1:00 a.m. at Bogey's Inn for his daughter's wedding to be held on July 11, 2015 be denied and that the event be subject to the by-law's regulation of no outdoor speakers past 11:00 p.m..

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. Agar

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

- a) Owen & Calla Nicol – Rogers Tower Concern
- b) Taylor Hess – Noise By-law Exemption Request
- c) Michelle Erickson – Noise By-law Exemption Request
- d) AMO – Delegation Request
- e) Ron Hill – Shoreline Erosion

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- f) Thompson St. & Fourth St. – 4 Way Stop
- g) Jean Ladouceur – Container request
- h) Susan Kucera - Noise By-law Exemption Request
- i) Dave Mills – Noise By-law Exemption Request

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #13** That the following items of information be dealt with as per Council's instructions for items identified as agenda items #1 thru 2:

- 1) Official Plan Amendment #20
- 2) Ignite Lambton 2015

**CARRIED**

**DRAINS:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #14** That the report submitted by Drainage Superintendent Dave Neely dated July 6, 2015 be accepted as information and that Council appoint Spriet Associates to prepare a new engineering report under Section 4 of the Drainage Act to replace the existing Doyle Award Drain, located between house number 4494 and 4496 St. Clair Parkway, with a new municipal drain.

**CARRIED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by J. Degurse

**Motion #15** That the Building Projects Report of Walt Anderson – Fire Chief dated June 30, 2015 be accepted as information and that Agri-Urban Building Inc. be authorized to install a ½ glass & push key code and key override for one man door at the Becher Fire Hall and install two bollards.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by T. Kingston

**Motion #16** That the form agreement for the additions to the Port Lambton Fire Hall be approved.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #17** That the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief be authorized to attend an upcoming meeting in Port Huron on July 13, 2015 related to an upcoming emergency simulation scenario.

**CARRIED**

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

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**COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**

**Darrell Randell:**

Councillor Randell attended two industrial wind turbine information meetings and noted that presently there are no proposals for wind turbines within the Township. He also noted that the process is underway to have the caboose removed from the museum in Sombra.

**Steve Miller:**

Councillor Miller advised that the Parade Marshall for Port Lambton Gala Days has invited all councillors to be in the parade starting at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 2, 2015.

**Tracy Kingston:**

Councillor Kingston advised Council that she attended the SCRCA Conservation Bus Tour and visited some remote locations she had never been too. She further advised that Marie Taylor is concerned with the upkeep of crown land on the west side of St. Clair Parkway abutting the St. Clair River.

**Jim Degurse:**

Councillor Degurse advised that he attended the wind turbine information sessions.

Moved by J. Degurse

Seconded by J. Agar

**Motion #18** That Industrial Wind Turbines are not permitted anywhere within the Township of St. Clair.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Degurse advised that the farmer who rents the Nova land north of Nash and Brooktree Streets in Corunna is farming onto Township land and is showing a general disregard for the abutting residents with his farm practices.

**Mayor Steve Arnold:**

Mayor Arnold advised Council that he attended the SCRCA bus tour and it was a great educational event. He also attended landmark wedding anniversaries such as the 65<sup>th</sup> for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nesbit, and the 50<sup>th</sup> for Jack and Velda Biggs.

Mayor Arnold inquired as to the progress for a generator for the Wilkesport Community Center and asked staff to review.

Mayor Arnold advised that the WW1 commemorative plaques should be moved to the Moore Museum from the Moore Centre.

**IN-CAMERA:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #19** That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss legal and property matters.

**CARRIED**

Mayor Arnold declared the meeting back into open session at 7:30 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. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #20** That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

**CARRIED**

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The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Mayor - Steve Arnold

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Clerk - Jeff Baranek