

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR**

**COUNCIL AGENDA**

**SESSION #9**

St. Clair Township Civic Centre  
May 1, 2017  
6:30 p.m.

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

**Minutes:**

Regular Council Meeting – Session #8 – April 17, 2017  
Sombra Township Museum Board Committee Meeting – April 20, 2017  
Emergency Services Committee Meeting – April 10, 2017  
Heritage St. Clair Committee Meeting – March 15, 2017  
Brigden Library Board Meeting – January 19, 2017

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

**DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

6:30 pm - Courtright Splash Pad Committee - Cheque Presentation  
6:45 p.m. - St. Clair River Run 2017 - Ben Hazzard

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1) Property Standards – 1591 Councillors Street
- 2) Sombra Optimist – Gravel Lot Request
- 3) 3042 St. Clair Parkway – Project Proposal
- 4) Good Neighbour Award Request
- 5) Sombra Dock “Grand Opening” & Canada 150 – Donation Request
- 6) Brander Park Wedding Request– September 23, 2017
- 7) Multiple Sclerosis Carnation Campaign Request
- 8) WDSS 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion – Refreshment Licence Request
- 9) Sombra Community Dock – Financial Report
- 10) Request to Lower Speed Limit

**INFORMATION:**

- a) Champion of Diversity Award Nominations
- b) Chemical Spill near Lake Michigan
- c) HydroOne – Equipment Upgrade Notice
- d) Seniors Month in Ontario
- e) Brigden Public Library – Temporary Closure Notice

**DRAINS:**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:**

**COORDINATOR OF OPERATIONS’ (ROADS) REPORTS:**

- Extended Cab Pick-up Truck 4x4 – ½ Ton Tender
- Yard Waste

**COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING’S REPORT:**

- Moore Line Waterline Repair - Road Closure Notice

**CLERK'S REPORTS:**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

- Fawn Island Parking

**MOTIONS:**

**BY-LAWS:**

**COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Committee of the Whole – Monday, May 8, 2017 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, May 15, 2017 ~ 6:30 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, June 5, 2017 ~ 6:30 p.m.
- Committee of the Whole – Monday, June 12, 2017 ~ 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Council – Monday, June 19, 2017 ~ 6:30 p.m.

**In Camera:**

- 239 (2) (c) The potential sale of Township property in the industrial park

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At the appointed time of 6:30 p.m. Mayor Arnold declared the meeting open and welcomed those in attendance from the Courtright Splash Pad Committee.

Cathy Vickerd thanked Council for their continued support throughout the project which was a huge success and presented the final payment cheque in the amount of \$47,082.98.

Mayor Arnold thanked the committee for their tireless efforts in bringing an attractive feature to the area for neighbourhood children.

**MINUTES:**

Moved by D. Randell Seconded by J. Agar  
**Motion #1** That the Minutes from the Council meeting held Session #8 – April 17, 2017 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell Seconded by J. Agar  
**Motion #2** That the Minutes from the Sombra Township Museum Board Committee meeting held April 20, 2017 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar Seconded by D. Randell  
**Motion #3** That the Minutes from the Emergency Services Committee meeting held April 10, 2017 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar Seconded by D. Randell  
**Motion #4** That the Minutes from the Heritage St. Clair Committee meeting held March 15, 2017 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #5** That the Minutes from the Brigden Library Board meeting held January 19, 2017 be received and accepted as printed.

**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. De Gurse

**Motion #6** That the property standards complaint against 1591 Councillors Street, Courtright be referred to staff for investigation and that staff be authorized to provide 30 days to rectify any discovered non-compliances with Township by-laws.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #7** That the request submitted by the Optimist Club of Sombra to install a gravel lot to host the Soap Box Derby Race be approved and that staff be directed to work with the Club to coordinate its installation prior to this year's race on June 17, 2017.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #8** That the request submitted by the owners of 3042 St. Clair Parkway to promote the Township's 150 Sesquicentennial Celebration be referred to the Township's Committee that is responsible for the event's coordination.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #9** That the request submitted by the Sombra Sports and Rec Committee for a donation of \$3000 to support the Grand Opening of the Community Dock and Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Sesquicentennial Celebration be approved to be funded from the Education and Environment Reserve.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. De Gurse

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #10** That the request submitted by Dustine Hinnegan to erect a 30x50 foot tent within Branton Cundick Park to accommodate her wedding to be held on September 23, 2017 be approved subject to obtaining all necessary permits.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. De Gurse

**Motion #11** That the request submitted by the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada to conduct the Carnation Campaign to support research and patient treatment within the Township of St. Clair from May 11 – 14, 2017 be approved.

**CARRIED**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #12** That the request submitted by the Wallaceburg District Secondary School Class of 1977 to host a reunion at the South Pavilion in Cathcart Park on July 22, 2017 be tabled to allow staff to determine the intricacies of operating a BYOB event in a Township park.

**TABLED**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. De Gurse

**Motion #13** That the financial report submitted by the Sombra Sports and Rec Committee related to the Community Dock be tabled for staff to prepare a report on overall and outstanding costs.

**CARRIED**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded D. Randell

**Motion #14** That the request to consider lowering the speed limit in Corunna from 50kph to 40kph be received and filed and that it be forwarded to the Ontario Provincial Police for review and comment.

**CARRIED**

Moved by P. Gilliland

Seconded by J. Agar

**Motion #15** That Council accepts the following items of correspondence as per Council's direction:

- 1) Property Standards – 1591 Councillors Street
- 2) Sombra Optimist – Gravel Lot Request
- 3) 3042 St. Clair Parkway – Project Proposal
- 4) Good Neighbour Award Request
- 5) Sombra Dock “Grand Opening” & Canada 150 – Donation Request
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**CARRIED**

### **DEPUTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

At the appointed time of 6:45 p.m. Mayor Arnold welcomed Ben Hazzard to make a presentation related to the 2017 Run the River Race.

CF Industries continues to be the title sponsor for the event in the second of a five year agreement that ensures an annual donation of \$20,000. The Co-Operators are a sponsor for this year's race as they have sponsored the family events to be held within Brander Park.

The attendance for the race has continued to climb with a peak of 900 in 2014 and 850 in each of the past two years. The Race Committee thanked Council for their continued support and advised the post-race survey finds that 98% of racers admit to being extremely satisfied with the event.

Mayor Arnold thanked Ben and the entire committee for their dedication to the event as it is recognized in municipalities across Ontario and is a desired event.

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #16** That Council of the Township of St. Clair continue to support the St. Clair River Run for 2017 and agrees to provide the following:

- St. Clair Parkway be closed on July 15, 2017 from 7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.;
- Authorize staff from Public Works and Parks & Recreation to work with the Race Committee;
- Pay the cost for all OPP presence;
- and to have the Brander Park grounds cut the Wednesday before the event.

**CARRIED**

### **INFORMATION:**

Moved by J. De Gurse

Seconded by T. Kingston

**Motion #17** That the following items of information be dealt with as per Council's instructions for items identified as agenda items a) thru e):

- a) Champion of Diversity Award Nominations
- b) Chemical Spill near Lake Michigan
- c) HydroOne – Equipment Upgrade Notice
- d) Seniors Month in Ontario
- e) Brigden Public Library – Temporary Closure Notice

**CARRIED**

### **DRAINS:**

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

**COORDINATOR OF OPERATIONS' (ROADS) REPORTS:**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. De Gurse

**Motion #18** That it be recommended to Council that the report of David Neely – Coordinator of Operations (Works) dated May 3, 2017 with regard to the Extended Cab Pick-up Truck 4x4 – ½ Ton Tender be received and that the low tender submitted by Patterson Motors (Wallaceburg) Ltd. in the amount of \$30,868.90 (including net HST) for the supply of a new 2017 Dodge Ram 1500 Extended Cab Pick-up Truck 4x4 - ½ Ton be accepted and approval for purchase be granted.

**CARRIED**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #19** That it be recommended to Council that the report of David Neely – Coordinator of Operations (Works) dated April 26, 2017 with regard to Yard Waste be received and that Council approve the delivery of yard waste, collected within the Township, to the MOEE approved site owned and operated by the City of Sarnia for the 2017 season and staff is directed to continue investigating the possible delivery site within Clean Harbours to be utilized in future years.

**CARRIED**

**COORDINATOR OF ENGINEERING'S REPORT:**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by T. Kingston

**Motion #20** That it be recommended to Council that the report of Paul daSilva – Coordinator of Engineering dated April 27, 2017 with regard to the Moore Line Road Closure be received and that staff be authorized to close Moore Line between Highway 40 and Greenfield Road to facilitate a water main repair.

**CARRIED**

**CAO'S REPORT:**

Moved by D. Randell

Seconded by S. Miller

**Motion #21** That the report submitted by CAO - John Rodey dated May 1, 2017 titled Fawn Island Parking be received and that the normal tendering process be waived to permit staff to get direct estimates to create a parking lot on lands owned by the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority on the north side of the diversion channel and report back to Council.

**CARRIED**

**DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES' REPORTS:**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. Agar

**Motion #22** That the report submitted by the Director of Community Services - Linda Kennedy dated May 1, 2017 titled Boat Launches be received and that the cost of rehabilitation of the Branton Cundick and Willow Boat Launches be approved from the Parkway Endowment Fund and that repairs be done as soon as possible.

**CARRIED**

Moved by J. Agar

Seconded by P. Gilliland

**Motion #23** That the report submitted by the Director of Community Services - Linda Kennedy dated May 1, 2017 titled Canada 150 Event be received and that \$10 notes be purchased for each elementary aged child within the Township of St. Clair to commemorate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Sesquicentennial Birthday at the approximate cost of \$18,000 and that it be funded by the Education and Environment Reserve.

**CARRIED**

**BY-LAWS:**

**COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

**Deputy Mayor Gilliland**

Deputy Mayor Gilliland attended the Clean Harbours Community Liaison Committee meeting where a new Friendly Neighbour Policy was announced to be coming shortly.

He also attended the Lambton Municipal Banquet and meetings for the Committee of Adjustment, SLEP, and the St. Clair River Trail. Finally, he was pleased to have attended the \$7.5 million funding announcement at the Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital in Petrolia.

### **Councillor Randell**

Councillor Randell advised that he placed 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority canoe race. The Wilkesport Hall Board has elected not to pursue LED lights for the ball field due to inflated costs and will instead repair the existing standards at an approximate cost of \$6500. There was also concern expressed about decorators in the hall using ladders and the liability associated with an injury occurring during their use so prospective decorators will need to bring their own ladders for the time being.

Councillor Randell attended the West Becher School Reunion, the first in 12 years, where 40 past students enjoyed a good visit.

### **Councillor Miller**

Councillor Miller reported that he attended the recent St. Clair Region Conservation Authority meeting and cheered on Councillor Randell in the canoe race from the safety of the shore.

### **Councillor Kingston**

Councillor Kingston reported that Shred-It Day is scheduled for this weekend and she volunteered at the household hazardous waste day at Clean Harbors.

### **Councillor De Gurse**

Councillor De Gurse reported that he attended numerous events since the last meeting including Lambton Municipal Banquet.

### **Mayor Arnold**

Mayor Arnold has represented the Township at a number of events since the last meeting including: the County Committee meeting where the apron of Plank Road was discussed; the SCRCA meeting; Canada 150<sup>th</sup> Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee meeting; the canoe race; the LAWSS meeting and the Lambton Municipal Banquet.

Mayor Arnold reported that the County still pays the equivalent of \$4000/acre for farmland expropriated for the purposes of road widenings and asked that Township staff report on how that value is determined suggesting it be tied to the Farm Credit value. He continued by expressing disappointment that the parking lot at Brander Park is constantly accumulating water and asked that stone be brought in to help eliminate the mess it causes.

He reported that the flags on some flag poles across the Township became tattered particularly, over the winter months and suggested that they be removed from most poles after November 11 and be reinstalled in April. He continued by noting that significant seawall repairs are going on at Brander Park and wondered who sanctioned the work.

He closed by reporting that members of the Seniors Building in Brigden were upset about accessibility issues within the building and wondered whether or not the alarm system was hardwired to the Brigden Fire Station – he asked staff to look into both issues.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

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**In Camera:**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by J. De Gurse

**Motion #24** That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss the following:

- 239 (2) (c) The potential sale of Township property in the industrial park

**CARRIED**

Mayor Arnold declared the meeting back into open session and noted there was nothing to rise and report.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

**Motion #25** That the meeting of Council hereby adjourned.

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK