

Middlesex Centre Council Minutes

Regular Meeting of Council

April 14, 2021, 9:30 a.m. Electronic Council Meeting

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor DeViet

Deputy Mayor Brennan Councillor Heffernan Councillor Shipley Councillor Aerts Councillor Scott Councillor Cates

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Di Lullo - Chief Administrative Officer

Arnie Marsman - Director of Building Services / Chief Building

Official

Colin Toth - Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Rob Cascaden - Director of Public Works and Engineering

Scott Mairs - Director of Community Services
Tiffany Farrell - Director of Corporate Services
Heather Kepran, Communications Specialist

James Hutson - Municipal Clerk

Dan Anderson - Drainage Superintendent Andrew Giesen - Manager of Transportation

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor DeViet calls the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

In response to COVID-19 we continue to hold Council meetings electronically. Members of the public are invited to participate by accessing the meeting which will be live-streamed on our Middlesex Centre YouTube channel.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There are no additions to the April 14, 2021 Council Agenda.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There are no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared by members of Council for the April 14, 2021 Council meeting agenda items.

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND PETITIONS

4.1 MPAC 2020 Partnership Report & Update

Brenda Slater, Account Manager with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation is in attendance to provide an overview of the 2020 Partnership Report and Update.

4.2 Update on the Municipal Response to COVID-19 from the Chief Administrative Officer

Michael Di Lullo, Chief Administrative Officer provides an update on the municipal response to COVID-19.

5. COURT OF REVISION

Resolution # 2021-102 Moved by: Councillor Cates

Seconded by: Councillor Heffernan

THAT Council adjourn its regular meeting in order to sit as the Court of Revision under Section 97 of the Drainage Act, as amended, to consider the Bear Creek and Rieg Drains, with members Councillor Heffernan, Councillor Aerts and Mayor DeViet in the Chair;

CARRIED

5.1 Court of Revision for the Bear Creek Municipal Drain

Resolution # 2021-103 Moved by: Councillor Aerts

Seconded by: Councillor Heffernan

THAT the Middlesex Centre Court of Revision approves the Schedule of Assessment for the Bear Creek Municipal Drain and Drainage Works 2020 adopted by By-Law 2021-031 as outlined in the report prepared by Spriet Associates;

CARRIED

5.2 Court of Revision for the Rieg Municipal Drain

Resolution # 2021-104

Moved by: Councillor Heffernan Seconded by: Councillor Aerts

THAT the Middlesex Centre Court of Revision approves the Schedule of Assessment for the Rieg Municipal Drain and drainage works 2020

adopted by By-Law 2021-032 as outlined in the report prepared by Spriet Associates;

AND THAT the Court of Revision is hereby adjourned and the Council for the Municipality of Middlesex Centre resume their April 14, 2021 meeting of Council.

CARRIED

6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

6.1 Minutes of the March 24, 2021 Council Meeting

Resolution # 2021-105
Moved by: Councillor Scott
Seconded by: Councillor Cates

THAT the minutes of the Middlesex Centre Council meeting held on March 24, 2021 be adopted as printed.

CARRIED

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution # 2021-106

Moved by: Councillor Shipley Seconded by: Councillor Scott

THAT Items 7.1 through to 7.7 listed under the heading of Consent Agenda for April 14, 2021 be adopted as recommended.

CARRIED

7.1 Municipal Representation to Kettle Creek Conservation Authority

THAT Report CAO-06-2021, re: Municipal Representation to Kettle Creek Conservation Authority be received;

AND THAT That the current membership of the Kettle Creek Conservation Authority allocating one (1) member each to the Municipality of Central Elgin, the Municipality of Middlesex Centre, the Municipality of Thames Centre, the Township of Malahide, and the Township of Southwold; and two (2) members to the City of St. Thomas and three (3) members to the City of London be maintained;

AND FURTHER THAT the membership of the Kettle Creek Conservation Authority be re-evaluated based on population data available prior to member appointments following the municipal elections in 2022.

7.2 Elgin Middlesex Hockey Alliance – License Agreement

THAT Report CMS-04-2021 dated April 14, 2021 re: Elgin Middlesex Hockey Alliance – License Agreement be received;

AND THAT the Elgin Middlesex Hockey Alliance License Agreement appended to Report CMS-04-2021 be approved.

7.3 Budget to Actual March 2021

THAT the Budget to Actual Report CPS-14-2021 for March 2021 be received for information.

7.4 Treasurer's Statement 2020-Development Charges

THAT the Development Charges Treasurer Statement for 2020 be received and posted on the website.

7.5 Treasurer's Statement 2020-Parkland

THAT Report CPS-16-2021, re: Treasurer Statement Cash in Lieu of Parkland Reserve Fund for 2020 be received for information.

7.6 COVID-19 financial impacts updated Q1 2021

THAT Report CPS 17-2021 re: COVID-19 municipal financial update for Q1 2021 be received for information.

7.7 Tender Results for Supply and Application of Dust Control

THAT the purchase of services and material for the, supply and application of dust control be awarded to the lowest tender bid submission received from Da Lee Dust Control Limited in the amount of \$ 0.249 per litre (excluding HST);

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Property Tax Billing and Collection Policy

Resolution # 2021-107

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Brennan **Seconded by:** Councillor Cates

THAT Report CPS-18-2021, re: Property Tax Billing and Collection Policy be received;

AND THAT Policy appended to Report CPS-18-2021 be approved.

CARRIED

8.2 Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Billing and Collection Policy

Resolution # 2021-108 Moved by: Councillor Cates Seconded by: Councillor Shipley

THAT Report CPS-19-2021, re: Water, Wastewater and Stormwater

Billing and Collection Policy be received;

AND THAT Policy appended to Report CPS-19-2021 be approved.

CARRIED

8.3 2021 Vision Zero Campaign

Resolution # 2021-109 Moved by: Councillor Cates

Seconded by: Councillor Heffernan

THAT Report PWE 11-2021, re: 2021 Vision Zero Campaign be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the continuation of the Vision Zero Campaign for 2021.

CARRIED

8.4 Gypsy Moth Management Plan & Survey Results

Resolution # 2021-110

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Brennan **Seconded by:** Councillor Cates

THAT Report CMS-05-2021 re: Gypsy Moth Data Analysis and Results be received;

AND THAT the Gypsy Moth Survey and Data Analysis prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. Appended to Report CMS-05-2021 be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the use of Zimmer Air Services to conduct aerial spraying in areas identified in the attached Appendix B appended to Report CMS-05-2021.

CARRIED

8.5 Request for adjustment of water usage

Resolution # 2021-111

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Brennan **Seconded by:** Councillor Aerts

Matt Hoogenboom is in attendance virtually to provide comments on the request.

THAT no action be taken on the request to adjust the water usage on the corporation's water account.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution # 2021-112

Moved by: Councillor Heffernan **Seconded by:** Councillor Cates

THAT Correspondence Items 9.1 through to 9.4 listed on the April 14, 2021 Council Agenda be received for information.

CARRIED

- 9.1 UTRCA Media Release General Manager
- 9.2 Ministry of Finance Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund
- 9.3 Canadian Pacific 2021 Vegetation Control Program
- 9.4 Middlesex-London Board of Health March 2021 Update

10. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE

Deputy Mayor Brennan provided the following updates from Middlesex County Council held on April 13, 2021:

- Martha Powell, President and CEO of the London Community Foundation made a presentation to County Council regarding the services of the foundation;
- John Harkins, Partner/Right Path Advisor, Selectpath provided an overview of the 2021 benefits renewal;
- It was noted that approximately one year ago, the Middlesex London Health Unit Board advised County Council regarding a higher number of incidents occurring within County limits when compared with the City of London. A letter regarding this matter has been drafted and is being sent to the MLHU requesting further follow-up;
- Warden Burghardt-Jesson and Cara Finn, Director of Economic Development provided a presentation regarding the Middlesex Economic Resiliency Task Force – One Year Check-up;
- It was noted that the Women's Caucus of Middlesex County continues to meet virtually, including a virtual webinar event to be held on April 14, 2021.

For minutes of this meeting, please visit https://middlesex.ca/local-government/meeting-dates-and-agendas.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Aerts noted that he has received communications on repeated occurrences of trespassing on private properties, in areas where signage is posted. It was further noted that dumping leaves and garbage along private woodlot areas is not permitted. Councillor Aerts asked community members to be mindful and to respect property boundaries.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Mayor DeViet provided notice of the following motion regarding municipal illumination standards:

WHEREAS the appropriate standards and effective management of illumination in Ontario communities is a topic of increasing interest to many groups and individuals;

AND WHEREAS the best practices and industry standards for surrounding effective illumination practices are changing with the introduction of new green technologies which promote energy conservation as part of effective lighting techniques;

AND WHEREAS Municipalities have the authority to enact by-laws and policies which help to standardize and promote effective lighting practices.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT staff review the current research, industry standards and best practices with regard to Municipal illumination standards

AND THAT staff is to explore factors including, but not limited to cost efficiencies, impacts on security and safety, and opportunities to improve quality of life for residents, when undertaking this review;

AND FURTHER THAT, a report to Council outlining the potential costs and benefits related to any proposed recommendations regarding implementation of municipal illumination standards over time be presented to Council once the review is complete.

This motion will be considered at the upcoming meeting of Council scheduled for April 28, 2021.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution # 113-2021

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Brennan **Seconded by:** Councillor Shipley

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Middlesex Centre adjourn to closed session at 11:38 a.m. pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended to discuss the following matters:

Section 239 (2)(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

- 13.1 CALL TO ORDER
- 13.2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST
- 13.3 ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - 13.3.1 March 24, 2021 Closed Minutes
- 13.4 CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
 - 13.4.1 Municipal Servicing
- 13.5 ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned closed session at 1:07 p.m.

14. BY-LAWS

Resolution # 116-2021

Moved by: Councillor Heffernan **Seconded by:** Councillor Cates

THAT By-law 2021-031 through to By-law 2021-039 be adopted as printed.

CARRIED

- 14.1 2021-031 Being a by-law to provide for a drainage works to be known as the Bear Creek Municipal Drain
- 14.2 2021-032 Being a by-law to provide for a drainage works to be known as the Rieg Municipal Drain
- 14.3 2021-034 Being a by-law to appoint Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers for the Municipality of Middlesex Centre
- 14.4 2021-035 Being a by-law to appoint a building inspector for the Municipality of Middlesex Centre
- 14.5 2021-036 Being a by-law to amend the Middlesex Centre comprehensive Zoning By-law number 2005-005 with respect PLAN 305 PT LOT 8 RP 33R20022 PT PART 1

- 14.6 2021-037 Being a by-law to amend the Middlesex Centre comprehensive Zoning By-law number 2005-005 with respect to PLAN 33M399 PT BLK 16, PLAN 33R-7161 save and except Part 1
- 14.7 2021-038 Being a by-law to amend the Middlesex Centre comprehensive Zoning By-law number 2005-005 with respect to London Con 11 PT LOT 24 RP 33R19894 Part 7
- 14.8 2021-039 Being a by-law to approve and ratify a Site Plan Control Agreement and Development Agreement between Southmoor Development Corporation and The Municipality of Middlesex Centre
- 14.9 2021-040 Being a by-law to adopt and confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council of the Municipality of Middlesex Centre at the Council meeting held on April 14, 2021

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 117-2021 Moved by: Councillor Aerts Seconded by: Councillor Scott

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Middlesex Centre adjourns the April 14, 2021 Council meeting at 1:08 p.m.

CARRIED
Aina DeViet, Mayor
James Hutson, Municipal Clerk