



Essex County Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

7:00 PM

Council Chambers, 2nd Floor

360 Fairview Avenue West

Essex, Ontario N8M 1Y6

519-776-6441, ext. 1335

Council: Warden Tom Bain
Aldo DiCarlo, Mayor, Town of Amherstburg
Bart DiPasquale, Deputy Mayor, Town of Amherstburg
Ron McDermott, Mayor, Town of Essex
Nelson Santos, Mayor, Town of Kingsville
Gord Queen, Deputy Mayor, Town of Kingsville
Al Fazio, Deputy Mayor, Town of Lakeshore
Deputy Warden Ken Antaya, Mayor, Town of LaSalle
Marc Bondy, Deputy Mayor, Town of LaSalle
John Paterson, Mayor, Municipality of Leamington
Hilda MacDonald, Deputy Mayor, Municipality of Leamington
Gary McNamara, Mayor, Town of Tecumseh
Joe Bachetti, Deputy Mayor, Town of Tecumseh

Absent: Richard Meloche, Deputy Mayor, Town of Essex

Administration: Rob Maisonville, Chief Administrative Officer
Mary Birch, Director of Council & Community Services/Clerk
Sandra Zwiers, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer
Bruce Krauter, Chief, Essex Windsor EMS
Tom Bateman, Director of Infrastructure Services/Engineer
Renée Trombley, Manager Corporate Communications and Accessibility
Katherine Hebert, Council & Community Services Administrative Assistant
Danielle Dunlop, Administrative Assistant to the Chief of EWEMS

1. Closed Meeting

There was no Closed Meeting scheduled for August 15, 2018.

2. Moment of Reflection

3. Singing of 'O Canada'

4. Recording of Attendance

All members of Essex County Council were in attendance with the exception of Mr. Meloche. Mr. Fazio arrived at 7:30PM.

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no conflicts of pecuniary interest declared.

6. Adoption of Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of July 18, 2018.

174-2018

Moved By Mr. Bondy

Seconded By Mr. Paterson

That the minutes of the July 18, 2018 Regular Meeting of Essex County Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

7. County Warden's Welcome and Remarks

Warden Bain welcomed the members of Council, Administration and members of the public. He noted his participation in the following:

- The Hospice Face to Face campaign video. He noted that Hospice had a team of dedicated workers and volunteers who do an excellent job in the community. He acknowledged the leadership of the CEO Carol Derbyshire who had announced her plans to retire in the near future.
- City of Windsor Council meeting, along with Deputy Warden Antaya, where the issue of interest was the rezoning of the lands intended for the new mega hospital. He noted that the meeting was extremely long, but the rezoning was ultimately approved.
- A meeting with the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Bill Morneau and City of Windsor Mayor Dilkens where the topics of discussion included primarily the impact that NAFTA had on the regional economy and the importance of the automotive industry, manufacturing and the agri-food business in the County.
- Attended the Essex County Plowing Match

- Attended the Town of Essex Car Cruise
- Attended the Emancipation Celebration
- Attended, along with other members of County Council the Essex County Accessibility Advisory, Celebrate Our Abilities - Awareness Walk. He noted that the event was well organized and thanked the Committee and staff for their work on this event as it did an excellent job at raising awareness.
- Attended the grand opening of the 2018 season of the Leamington Raceway. He noted there was much community support for the event with many in attendance, including local MPPs and members of local councils.

8. Delegations and Presentations

175-2018

Moved By Mr. McNamara

Seconded By Mr. Santos

THAT Mr. Orr be permitted to address County Council.

Carried

8.1 Gordon Orr, CEO Tourism Windsor Essex Pelee Island (TWEPI)

Mr. Gordon Orr, CEO to provide County Council with an update on the Tourism Windsor Essex Pelee Island 2017 successes and highlight on some of their 2018 initiatives.

Mr. Orr, Ms. Bain and Mr. Racine presented the TWEPI annual summary of activities and accomplishments. They discussed key initiatives and performance measurement as it relates to their programs within the local community and promotion of the region to the greater surrounding areas.

9. Communications

9.1 Correspondence

176-2018

Moved By Mr. Queen

Seconded By Mr. DiPasquale

That the correspondence listed on the regular agenda for August 15, 2018, be received and any noted action approved.

Carried

9.1.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

View the online versions of the AMO Watchfile Newsletter, dated July 19, 26, August 2 and 9, 2018.

9.1.2 AMO

Received e-mailed AMO Policy Update, dated July 27, 2018 regarding Ford Government announces legislation impacting municipal governments and changes to cannabis implementation.

9.1.3 AMO

Received e-mailed notification from AMO regarding the 2018 Municipal Elections - Pre-election information input request.

9.1.4 The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated June 26, 2018 regarding their Council's resolution requesting the Province of Ontario to extend its areas of responsibility to include any costs that Municipalities may have to inherit from the Green Energy Projects - such as water quality, site restoration, infrastructure repair.

9.1.5 The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated July 10, 2018 regarding their Council's resolution requesting that "Ontario municipal governments, represented by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, (AMO) stand together with the Federal and Ontario governments in their efforts to protect Canadian jobs and local economies".

9.1.6 Howick Township

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated July 19, 2018 seeking support for their Council's resolution to "petition the Bereavement Authority of Ontario to amend Ontario Regulation 30/11 to allow borrowing of funds from the Care and Maintenance Trust Fund for capital improvements and purchases when other municipal cemetery funds are exhausted".

9.1.7 City of Toronto

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated August 3, 2018 seeking support for their Council's resolution "requesting the Chief Coroner for Ontario to hold an inquest into gun violence related deaths in Toronto to make useful recommendations directed to the avoidance of further deaths due to gun violence".

9.1.8 Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

Received e-mailed Press Release, dated July 19, 2018 from Minister Wilson on Defending Ontario's Businesses and Workers - to protect Ontario's auto industry and advance the economic interests of our province.

9.1.9 WindsorEssex Economic Development Corporation

View the online version of the [Highlights of 2018 Second Quarter Activities](#).

9.1.10 Association of Ontario Road Supervisors

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated July 11, 2018 from John Maheu, Executive Director acknowledging and congratulating Roger Demars, County Roads Supervisor for his recent Certified Road Supervisor certification and thanking the County for supporting our employee.

The Corporation of the County of Essex recognizes and commends Mr. Demars for his accomplishment.

9.1.11 Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA)

Received e-mail, dated July 25, 2018 regarding the 2019 ROMA Conference and stating that the Early Bird Registration Rates have been extended to November 15, 2018.

9.1.12 Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives (GLSLCI)

Review the online version of the [GLSLCI Annual Meeting and Conference Recap](#) - held in Ajax, Ontario June 13 - 15, 2018.

9.1.13 Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technology Inc. (SWIFT)

Received e-mailed correspondence, dated August 2, 2018 from Geoff Hogan, Chief Executive Officer regarding a SWIFT Capital Partner Update.

9.1.14 Lynda Monik, Administrator, Sun Parlor Home

Received card of appreciation for thoughtfulness shown during her time of sorrow.

9.2 Resolutions

There were no resolutions for consideration at the August 15, 2018 County Council meeting.

10. Consent Agenda

177-2018

Moved By Mr. Bondy

Seconded By Mrs. MacDonald

That the recommendation in the Administrative Report listed as item 10.1, on the Consent Agenda for August 15, 2018, be approved and further that the information item listed as item 10.2 on the said Consent Agenda be received.

Carried

10.1 Approval of Invoices - Legal Services

Report Number 2018-0815-ADM-R13-RM, dated August 15, 2018 from Robert Maisonville, Chief Administrative Officer.

10.2 Housing Advisory Committee

Minutes of the Housing Advisory Committee meeting, dated May 8, 2018.

11. Reports and Questions

11.1 Essex Windsor EMS Six Month Experience Report

Report Number 2018-0815-EMS-R008-BK, dated August 15, 2018 from Bruce Krauter, Chief, Essex Windsor EMS.

Chief Krauter discussed the report and the data analysis that was undertaken. He noted that the overall call volumes had increased, but there was a slight decrease in non-urgent calls that contribute to offload delays. He indicated that could possibly be attributed to

several factors including the implementation of programs, such as the Vulnerable Patient Navigator, the Community Paramedic Clinic Program and also the dedicated offload nurse initiative. He noted that further analysis would be performed over time, but initial results indicate that there could be some small improvements on the horizon.

Chief Krauter discussed the real time call analysis tool, which allows for better planning and allocation of resources.

Mr. Paterson questioned whether other emergency services in Ontario experience the same types of issues with offloading patients? Chief Krauter indicated that it was a common problem in most regions of Ontario.

Mr. McNamara questioned whether consideration was given to the call volumes that were related to the severe flu season and calls that were associated exclusively to that? Chief Krauter indicated that although that data was not analysed separately, it would be considered as a comparison tool for a future analysis, once a greater comparison period were available.

Discussion took place with regard to funding for the dedicated offload nurse program, as well as with regard to the changes to the Ambulance Act. It was noted that the funding for the dedicated offload nurse was in place until April of 2019 after which, nothing further was for certain. He explained that changes made with regard to the Ambulance Act would take some time to implement, considering the time required to establish standards based on the new Regulations and development of new practices, procedures and operating standards at the EWEMS level based on these changes.

178-2018

Moved By Mr. McDermott

Seconded By Mr. McNamara

That Report Number 2018-0815-EMS-R008-BK, Essex Windsor EMS Six Month Experience Report be received for the information of County Council.

Carried

11.2 Housing with Supports Service Provider Ownership Changes

Report Number 2018-0815-CCS-R008-MB, dated August 15, 2018 from Mary Birch, Director of Council and Community Services/Clerk.

Ms. Birch discussed the sale of 2 operations within the Housing with Supports program, Augustine Villas and Harrowood Seniors Community, and discussed the agreement that was necessary for the subsidies to continue with the new owners at these homes. She noted that there were no immediate changes planned for the facilities or operations and that County Administration was in the process of developing new Standards for the Housing with Supports Program which would be presented to Council in the coming months.

Mr. Paterson questioned whether the County had sought out new owners for these businesses? Ms. Birch indicated that the County was not involved in any way in the sale or purchase of private businesses, but had ensured that the new owners were aware of their requirements under the program Standards.

Mr. Paterson questioned whether the new owners had been vetted as appropriate for operating housing with supports facilities. Ms. Birch indicated that the new owners were experienced in operating rest and retirement homes, as well as long term care homes.

Mr. Paterson questioned whether an RFP process had been considered to determine which homes the County contracted with to provide subsidized Housing with Supports services? Ms. Birch indicated that an RFP process had been discussed and may be considered in the future should the County require additional contracted service providers for residents that require supports, if funding for additional resident subsidies was available from the City of Windsor through Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding.

179-2018

Moved By Mr. DiCarlo

Seconded By Mr. Queen

That County Council adopt By-laws 32-2018 and 33-2018, authorizing the Warden and Clerk to enter into agreements with the new owners of Harrowood Seniors Community and Augustine Villas Retirement Home and Assisted Living Residence to provide subsidized housing with supports care.

Carried

11.3 Projected Results of Operations 2018

Report Number 2018-0815-FIN-R006-SZ, dated August 15, 2018 from Sandra Zwiers, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer.

Ms. Zwiers provided an overview of the report. She noted the projections and assumptions for the remainder of 2018. She further outlined the financial position of the departments within the County, noting that there were no deficits indicated at this time, and there were certain areas where surpluses existed.

Mr. Fazio joined the meeting at 7:45 pm.

180-2018

Moved By Mr. Bachetti

Seconded By Mr. Fazio

That Report Number 2018-0815-FIN-R006-SZ, Projected Results of Operations for 2018 be received for the information of County Council.

Carried

11.4 Tender Summary - 2018 Structure Rehabilitations (7)

Report Number 2018-0815-IS-R021-TRB, dated August 15, 2018 from Tom Bateman, Director of Infrastructure Services/County Engineer.

Mr. Bateman discussed the 2018 Structural Rehabilitation Project 7, the tender process and the structural integrity of the culvert located at County Rd. 23. He advised that due to the condition of the culvert, it was necessary to close County Road 23 for the duration of the project, which would be four weeks.

Mr. Bateman advised that the Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority had been considered during the project analysis, as County Rd. 23 was the designated haul route for the Regional Landfill site.

He further noted that funding for the project would be from the Infrastructure Services departmental surplus, as was previously stated by the Director of Finance.

Mr. McDermott questioned the notice for the road closure and what would be the strategy? Mr. Bateman advised that an alternate route would be in place and that it would be communicated in advance of the closure.

181-2018

Moved By Mr. Antaya

Seconded By Mr. McDermott

That County Council receive Report #2018-0815-IS-R021-TRB – Tender Summary – 2018 Structure Rehabilitations (7) for information, as the authority to award the tender to D’Amore Construction (2000) Ltd. for a total tender amount of \$488,370.00, plus HST, has been delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer by virtue of By-law #30-2018.

Carried

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

13.1 AMO Conference

Mr. McNamara expressed congratulations to Mr. Paterson who was acclaimed to a position on the AMO Small Rural Municipal Caucus. He indicated that the AMO Conference was coming in the next week and that he would like to have the support of the County Council members as he puts his name forth as a candidate for the County Caucus.

14. Adoption of By-Laws

182-2018

Moved By Mr. McDermott

Seconded By Mr. Paterson

That By-laws 32-2018 through 34-2018, having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and enacted.

Carried

14.1 By-law Number 32-2018

A By-law Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement Between The Corporation of the County of Essex and 2625493 Ontario Inc. (to provide Housing with Supports care to facility known as Harrowood Seniors Community)

14.2 By-law Number 33-2018

A By-law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement Between The Corporation of the County of Essex and Ontario Corporation 1989803.

(to provide Housing with Supports care to facility known as Augustine Villas Retirement and Assisted Living Residence)

14.3 By-law Number 34-2018

A By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the County of Essex.

(August 15, 2018)

15. Notice of Motion

16. Adjournment

183-2018

Moved By Mr. Santos

Seconded By Mr. Paterson

That the Essex County Council meeting for August 15, 2018 be adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Carried

Tom Bain

Warden - County of Essex

Mary Birch

Director of Council and Community Services/Clerk