



Essex County Council Special Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

2:00 PM

Online Attendance Only

Council:

Michael Akpata, Deputy Mayor, Town of LaSalle
Joe Bachetti, Deputy Warden / Deputy Mayor, Town of Tecumseh
Tracey Bailey, Mayor, Municipality of Lakeshore
Sherry Bondy, Mayor, Town of Essex
Kimberly DeYong, Deputy Mayor, Town of Kingsville
Chris Gibb, Deputy Mayor, Town of Amherstburg
Hilda MacDonald, Warden / Mayor, Municipality of Leamington
Gary McNamara, Mayor, Town of Tecumseh
Crystal Meloche, Mayor, Town of LaSalle
Michael Prue, Mayor, Town of Amherstburg
Dennis Rogers, Mayor, Town of Kingsville
Rob Shepley, Deputy Mayor, Town of Essex
Larry Verbeke, Deputy Mayor, Municipality of Leamington
Kirk Walstedt, Deputy Mayor, Municipality of Lakeshore

Administration:

Mary Birch, Director, Legislative and Community Services/Clerk
Allan Botham, Director, Infrastructure & Planning Services
Jayne Brooks Keller, Administrator, Sun Parlor Home
Adam Craig, CEO and Chief Librarian, Essex County Library
Katherine Hebert, Manager, Records and Accessibility/Deputy Clerk
Bruce Krauter, County of Essex
Don McArthur, Manager, Communication and Organizational Development
David Sundin, County Solicitor
Crystal Sylvestre, Coordinator, Legislative and Community Services
Sandra Zwiers, Chief Administrative Officer

Justin Lammers, Chief, Essex Windsor Emergency
Medical Services
Melissa Ryan, Director, Financial Services/Treasurer

1. **Call to Order**

Warden MacDonald called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

2. **Recording of Attendance**

Warden MacDonald and members of Council attended the meeting virtually from remote locations.

3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no conflicts of pecuniary interest declared.

4. **Strategic Planning Session - Reviewing the Draft Plan**

Chris Loreto, Olivia Lahaie, Julie Gonyou and Emily White of StrategyCorp, presented the Strategic Planning Consultation Summary Report and Updated Strategic Plan Framework dated October 2023.

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Moved By Gary McNamara

Seconded By Joe Bachetti

That StrategyCorp be permitted to address Essex County Council.

Carried

Chris Loreto outlined the steps taken in the development of the Strategic Plan Framework.

Olivia Lahaie and Emily White reviewed the various types of consultations that had taken place during the stakeholder engagement sessions and shared the common themes and feedback received.

The vision, mission, and values were reviewed to arrive at the proposed strategic goals and directions for the County of Essex.

Rob Shepley joined the meeting at 2:28 PM.

5. **Adjournment**

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Moved By Crystal Meloche

Seconded By Dennis Rogers

That the Special Meeting of Essex County Council for November 1, 2023
be adjourned at 2:42 PM.

Carried

Hilda MacDonald
Warden, County of Essex

Mary Birch
Director, Legislative and Community Services/Clerk