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## Southwest Middlesex Announces Hiring of New Chief Administrative Officer

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### Glencoe, ON

The Municipality of Southwest Middlesex is pleased to announce the hiring of Ms. Amanda Gubbels as the new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Ms. Gubbels will start with Southwest Middlesex on Monday July 29, 2024.

With over eight years of experience as a CAO/Clerk and four years as a Clerk/Deputy CAO, Ms. Gubbels brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise in municipal governance, economic development, community engagement and strategic leadership to the CAO role at Southwest Middlesex. This experience will undoubtedly drive the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex forward with continued success and prosperity.

Ms. Gubbels holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Studies and a Master of Arts Degree in Public Policy and Public Administration. In addition, Ms. Gubbels has completed an extensive portfolio of job specific continuing education and is actively involved in leadership in professional organizations. With an exceptional track record in managing diverse municipal projects, Ms. Gubbels is well positioned to support the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex as it adapts to the evolving needs of our community.

Mayor Allan Mayhew noted “the selection of Ms. Gubbels followed a lengthy and thorough recruitment process led by the Recruitment Committee. The process focused on recruiting a leader that would be well suited to meeting the unique challenges facing our mixed urban and rural community while embracing the opportunities available to Southwest Middlesex and the broader southwestern Ontario economic region. The experience that Ms. Gubbels brings from her work with the Township of Warwick will be very applicable as she supports Council and leads Southwest Middlesex staff through similar challenges.”

“I am looking forward to joining the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex team, and I am excited about working with Council, Staff and the Community in this role” commented Ms. Gubbels.”

Interim CAO Jeff Brick will continue to provide leadership assistance to Southwest Middlesex in a transition period up to the July 29<sup>th</sup> start date for Ms. Gubbels. Mayor Mayhew added “on behalf of Council, I want to thank Interim CAO Jeff Brick for his leadership support for the Municipality during the transition and recruitment process and his guidance with the recruitment process.”

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