



**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTHWEST MIDDLESEX
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019 1:30 PM
Council Chambers

COUNCIL MINUTES

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The Municipal Council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber on February 6, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Allan Mayhew (Chair presiding), Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins, Councillors Doug Bartlett, Ian Carruthers, Christa Cowell, Mark McGill, Mike Sholdice and Martin Vink

STAFF PRESENT:

CAO/Clerk - Jill Bellchamber-Glazier, Facilities & Recreation Manager – Steve MacDonald, Public Works Manager – Greg Storms, Treasurer – Kristen McGill, Fire Chief – Robert Hansen

ALSO PRESENT:

Inspector Dean Croker, OPP; Mark McDonald, Integrity Commissioner; Members of the public and press

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mayhew calls the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#2019-0054

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

THAT the Regular Agenda of Council dated February 6, 2019 be accepted as presented.

Carried

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Declaration of Interest:

Re: Southwest Middlesex Council Agenda Dated February 6, 2019

Item Number 4

Item Title 04 IC January 23, 2019

I, Councillor Martin Vink, declare a potential direct pecuniary interest on Council Agenda Dated Feb 6/19, Item No. 4, Item Title 04IC January 23, 2019 for the following reasons:

The report involves my salary.

Councillor Name: Martin Vink

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

- Inspector Dean Croker, Ontario Provincial Police – Council Orientation
Inspector Croker, the new detachment commander for the OPP Middlesex Region, provided an overview of the OPP services provided to Southwest Middlesex.

- Mark G. MacDonald, Integrity Commissioner

- Report Date – January 21, 2019

#2019-0055

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Cowell

THAT the complaint against Councillor Vink emanating from the Council meeting on December 19, 2018 be dismissed and the report of the Integrity Commissioner dated January 21, 2019 be received and filed.

Carried

- Report Date – January 23, 2019

Councillor Vink, having declared an interest, has removed himself from the Council table.

#2019 –0056

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

THAT Council dismiss the complaint to the Integrity Commissioner against Councillor Vink; and

THAT Council impose no reprimand for the contravention of the Code of Conduct, nor financial penalty imposed on Councillor Vink; and

THAT Councillor Vink be asked to apologize for the incident related to the complaint.

Recorded Vote

Deputy Mayor Wilkins - No

Councillor Bartlett – Yes

Councillor Carruthers - Yes

Councillor Cowell – No

Mayor Mayhew - Yes

Councillor McGill - Yes

Councillor Sholdice – Yes

Carried

Councillor Vink apologized for the words that he used.

- Report Date – January 27, 2019

#2019-0057

Moved by Councillor Vink

Seconded by Councillor McGill

THAT the report dated January 27, 2019 from the Integrity Commissioner related to Councillor Sholdice be received and filed.

Recorded Vote

Councillor Vink - Yes

Deputy Mayor Wilkins - No

Councillor Bartlett - Yes

Councillor Carruthers - Yes

Councillor Cowell - Yes

Mayor Mayhew - Yes

Councillor McGill - Yes

Councillor Sholdice – No

Carried

#2019-0058

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

THAT all of Council, along with Senior Staff take sensitivity training so they can become more confident in knowing what is acceptable discourse and what is not.

Recorded Vote

Deputy Mayor Wilkins - Yes

Councillor Bartlett – Yes

Councillor Carruthers - No

Councillor Cowell – Yes

Mayor Mayhew - Yes

Councillor McGill - No

Councillor Sholdice – No

Councillor Vink – No

Defeated

#2019-0059

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Bartlett

THAT staff prepare a report on options and costs for sensitivity training.

Carried

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Southwest Middlesex Council Meeting Minutes – January 30, 2019

#2019-0060

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Councillor McGill

THAT the minutes of the meeting of Council dated January 30, 2019 be adopted as printed.

Carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

7. VOUCHERS

Vouchers for January 19 to January 30, 2019 to be presented

#2019-0061

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Bartlett

THAT accounts as presented by the Treasurer in the amount of \$294,268.45 be received.

Carried

8. ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. STAFF REPORTS

a. Fire – No reports

b. Administration

1. Indemnification By-law

#2019-0062

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

THAT Council adopt the indemnification by-law as drafted.

Carried

2. Section 270 Policies

#2019-0063

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

THAT Council approve the following policies required under section 270 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*:

- Relationship Between Members of Council and Officers and Employees of the Municipality
- The Manner in which the Municipality will Protect and Enhance the Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation in the Municipality
- Pregnancy Leaves and Parental Leaves of Members of Council

AND THAT staff be directed to develop a by-law which updates the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex's policies required under section 270 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and include adopted policies as schedules to such a by-law.

Carried

c. Building – no reports

d. Finance

1. Adjustment of Property Taxes

#2019-0064

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Bartlett

THAT council instruct the treasurer to adjust the property taxes for roll # 3906-001-050-01100-0000 by \$1,611.00 in accordance with MPAC's recommendation.

Carried

Council Recessed at 2:59 p.m.

Council Resumed at 3:13 p.m.

Councillor Vink is now absent from the meeting.

2. Operating Budget Next Steps

- 2019 Operating Budget Report
- January 16, 2019 Budget Presentation

Councillor Vink returned to the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

#2019-0065

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

THAT purchase of a pick-up truck for the facilities and recreation department be deferred for consideration in the 2020 budget, and

THAT funding in the amount of \$12,875 be set aside in reserve for the purchase of a facilities and recreation pick-up truck.

Carried

#2019-0066

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Cowell

THAT further budget deliberations be considered at a meeting set for 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on February 20, 2019.

Carried

e. Facilities and Recreation

1. Aquatics Program – 2019

#2019-0067

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Vink

THAT Council approves the following plans for the 2019 Aquatics Program:

- 1) Early registration to be held on a weeknight in early June with 10% savings offered at this event.
- 2) Free public swims on the evening of opening day, and on the afternoons of: the first day of summer for public schools, Canada Day, and the Sunday of Tartan Days.

Carried

f. Public Works – No reports

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

None

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Solid Non-Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Report for Inspections at Site 7217-67MJFL (Trillium Site) in 2018 – Corrective Action Response

Resolutions from January 23, 2019 council meeting:

#2019-0028

Moved by Mayor Mayhew

Seconded by Councillor Sholdice

THAT Council defer correspondence from the municipality be sent to the ministry in response to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' required corrective action from the 2018 Ministry Inspection Report of Trillium Landfill site.

Carried

#2019-0029

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

That the matter of municipal correspondence to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' related to the required corrective action from the 2018 Ministry Inspection Report of the Trillium Landfill site be considered at the February 6, 2019 meeting of council.

Carried

#2019-0068

Moved by Councillor McGill

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

THAT staff be directed to provide an update to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks on the status of the application to amend ECA A041403 related to the establishment of a permanent transfer station at the Trillium Landfill.

Recorded Vote

Councillor Sholdice – No

Deputy Mayor Wilkins – Yes

Councillor Vink – Yes

Councillor Bartlett – Yes

Councillor Carruthers – Yes

Councillor Cowell – Yes

Mayor Mayhew - Yes

Councillor McGill – Yes

Carried

12. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

1. 2019 Farmland Forum

#2019-0069

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Vink

That the information correspondence item is received and filed.

Carried

13. COUNCILLORS COMMENTS AND ENQUIRIES

Members of Council made comments and inquiries regarding the following: the procedure by-law; dress code for council meetings; Melbourne's Groundhog Day event; and the St. Clair Conservation Authority General meeting and Southwest Middlesex representation at the meeting.

#2019-0070

Moved by Councillor McGill

Seconded by Councillor Cowell

THAT Deputy Mayor Wilkins be appointed to replace Councillor McGill for the February 28, 2019 meeting of the St. Clair Conservation Authority on behalf of Southwest Middlesex with full voting rights.

Carried

14. NOTICE OF FUTURE MEETINGS (subject to change)

- February 20, 2019 – Budget – 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- February 20, 2019 – Council – 7:00 p.m.
- March 6, 2019 – Council – 1:30 p.m.
- March 20, 2019 – Council – 7:00 p.m.
- March 27, 2019 – Council/Planning – 7:00 p.m.

15. CLOSED SESSION (Committee of the Whole)

No Closed session

16. BY-LAWS

1. By-law No. 2019/021

Being a by-law to provide indemnification for current and former members of council, local boards, committees and employees with respect to certain actions or proceedings arising from their duties

2. By-law No. 2019/022

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex (February 6, 2019)

#2019-0071

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

That By-law No. 2019/021 to By-law No. 2019/022 be given first, second, third and final readings.

Carried

17. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

Mayor

CAO/Clerk