



**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTHWEST MIDDLESEX
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 7:00 PM
via Electronic Participation

COUNCIL MINUTES

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SOUTHWEST MIDDLESEX COUNCIL AGENDA

The Municipal Council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex met in Regular Session on February 24, 2021 at 7:00 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, Director of Operations – Greg Storms, Fire Chief – Colin Shewell, Treasurer – Kristen McGill, Planner – Stephanie Poirier

ALSO PRESENT:

Enbridge Gas:

Steven Jelich, Director, Southwest Region Operations

Darryl Arnold, Manager, Operations London/Sarnia

Allison Chong, Project Manager, London Lines Replacement Project

Brian Lennie, Senior Advisor, Municipal Affairs

Monteith Brown Planning Consultants:

Todd Brown

Dennis Kwan

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mayhew calls the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Mayhew noted that the meeting is being held as a virtual meeting due to the declared emergency, in order to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Mayor Mayhew confirmed that the meeting will be recorded and streamed live and published in accordance with council's Electronic Recording of Meetings Policy.

Councillor Sholdice is not present at the call of the meeting.

Councillor Sholdice is now present at 7:02 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

I, Councillor Christa Cowell, declare a potential indirect pecuniary interest on Council/Committee Agenda Dated February 24, 2021, Item No. 5.o, Item Title: Consent Agenda – Joint Building Service for the following reasons: I have a deemed pecuniary interest under section 3 that arises from indirect pecuniary interest pursuant to clause 2(b).

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

#2021-054

Moved by Councillor Carruthers

Seconded by Councillor Bartlett

THAT the Regular Agenda of Council dated February 24, 2021 be accepted as presented.

Carried

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. Enbridge Gas – London Lines Project Presentation:
Steven Jelich, Director, Southwest Region Operations;
Darryl Arnold, Manager, Operations London/Sarnia;
Allison Chong, Project Manager, London Lines Replacement Project;
Brian Lennie, Senior Advisor, Municipal Affairs

- b. Monteith Brown Planning Consultants – Recreation Master Plan:
Todd Brown & Dennis Kwan

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. SWM Council Minutes – DRAFT – February 10, 2021 and February 18, 2021
- b. SWM Vouchers

- c. SWM Economic Development Minutes – September 14, 2020
- d. General Hillier, COVID-19 Vaccination Task Force Update
- e. AMCTO President’s Open Letter to Ontario Municipalities
- f. Resolution: Conmee Township
- g. Resolution: Guelph/Eramosa Township
- h. Letter: Honourable Ernie Hardeman
- i. LTVCA 60th Anniversary
- j. Resolution: Town of Orangeville
- k. Resolution: North Middlesex
- l. Resolution: Town of Gravenhurst
- m. LPAT Case Number PL200600, Carruthers
- n. SWM Council Composition
- o. SWM Joint Building Services Update
- p. SWM Council Remuneration – 2020

#2021-055

Moved by Councillor Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Vink

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex Council support and endorse the resolution made by North Middlesex Council regarding Rural Education Task Force Recommendations to the Hon. Stephen Lecce – Minister of Education.

Carried

#2021-056

Moved by Councillor Vink

Seconded by Councillor Sholdice

THAT Staff be directed to prepare a report on options for the composition of council.

Defeated

Having declared a pecuniary interest in 5.o., Council received Consent item 5.o. separately,

#2021-057

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

THAT the report on joint building services be received.

Carried

#2021-058

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor McGill

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex receive Consent Agenda items 5.a., through 5.n., and 5.p., as information, and approve the February 10, 2021 and February 18, 2021 meeting minutes.

Carried

6. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

- B-3/2021, 24179 Pratt Siding Road – McNally

#2021-059

Moved by Councillor Carruthers

Seconded by Councillor Bartlett

THAT Southwest Middlesex Council move into Committee of Adjustment to consider planning application B-3/2021 at 8:26 p.m.

Carried

Council resumed at 8:46 p.m.

7. PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

8. STAFF REPORTS

a. Fire
No Reports

b. Administration
i. Job Evaluations – Union Positions

#2021-060

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

THAT Council single source the evaluation of union positions to Marianne Love Consulting in the amount of up to \$7,500.

Carried

c. Building
No Reports

d. Finance
No Reports

e. Operations
i. Municipal Design Standards

#2021-061

Moved by Councillor Cowell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Wilkins

THAT Council approves the Municipal Design Standards as prepared by Spriet Associates.

Carried

9. NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Carruthers advised he would bring forward the following notice of motion at the next meeting of council:

THAT the unused balance of the budget for the Road and Sidewalk Condition Assessment being \$22,443 be added to the existing SWM 2021 sidewalk budget.

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

None

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

12. NEW BUSINESS

None

13. COUNTY COUNCIL AND CONFERENCE UPDATE

None

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of council made inquiries about various items.

15. CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session

16. BY-LAWS

1. By-law No. 2021/015

Being a by-law to set fees for water and sewer services offered in the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

2. By-law No. 2021/016

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex February 24, 2021

#2021-062

Moved by Councillor Bartlett

Seconded by Councillor Carruthers

That By-law No. 2020/015 to By-law No. 2020/016 be given first, second, third and final readings.

Carried

17. FUTURE MEETINGS (subject to change)

March 10, 2021 – Council

March 24, 2021 – Council and Committee of Adjustment

18. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.