



MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTHWEST MIDDLESEX

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, July 7, 2021, 7:00 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Allan Mayhew, Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins, Councillor Christa Cowell, Councillor Mark McGill, Councillor Doug Bartlett, Councillor Ian Carruthers, Councillor Martin Vink, Councillor Mike Sholdice

STAFF PRESENT: Jill Bellchamber-Glazier, CAO-Clerk, Greg Storms, Director of Operations, Colin Shewell, Fire Chief, Andrew Neely, Drainage Superintendent, Denny Giles, Deputy Clerk

via Electronic Participation

Meeting can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6oo98BZcAvuVMKLDx88I4A>

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Councillor Vink joined the meeting at 7:01

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

2.a Councillor Mark McGill - Court of Revision - McFarlane Drain - Zwambag Culvert

Councillor McGill owns property and will be assessed on the drain.

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

#2021-196

Moved by Councillor Doug Bartlett

Seconded by Councillor Ian Carruthers

THAT the Regular Agenda of Council dated July 7, 2021 be accepted as presented

Carried

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4.a Court of Revision - Frederick Marsh Drain

#2021-197

Moved by Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Mark McGill

THAT Deputy Mayor Wilkins, Councillor Vink, Councillor McGill and Councillor Sholdice are appointed as members of the Court of Revision for the Frederick Marsh Drain; and

THAT Mayor Mayhew is appointed as Chairperson of the Court of Revision for the Frederick Marsh Drain

Carried

4.b Court of Revision - McFarlane Drain - Zwambag Culvert

Councillor Mark McGill declared a conflict on this item. (Councillor McGill owns property and will be assessed on the drain.)

Council resumed at 7:15 p.m.

#2021-198

Moved by Councillor Christa Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Ian Carruthers

THAT Councillor Cowell, Councillor Sholdice, Councillor Carruthers, and Deputy Mayor Wilkins are appointed as members of the Court of Revision for the McFarlane Drain - Zwambag Culvert; and

THAT Mayor Mayhew is appointed as Chairperson of the Court of Revision for the McFarlane Drain - Zwambag Culvert

Carried

5. CONSENT AGENDA

#2021-199

Moved by Councillor Mike Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Ian Carruthers

THAT the council for the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex receives Consent Agenda items 5.a. through 5.s. and approve the June 23rd, 2021 and June 28, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes.

Carried

- 5.a June 23, 2021 DRAFT Council Meeting Minutes
- 5.b June 28, 2021 DRAFT Council Meeting Minutes
- 5.c SWM Vouchers
- 5.d Letter to SWM Council from Middlesex County Engineer - Chris Traini
- 5.e January 2021 - May 2021 Building Report from CBO, Arnie Marsman
- 5.f Four Counties Transit Committee Minutes
- 5.g Resolution: South Stormont re: Capital Gains
- 5.h Resolution: Wainfleet re: Invasive Phragmites
- 5.i Resolution: Tay Valley re: Provincial Hospital Funding of Major Capital Equipment
- 5.j Resolution: St. Charles re: Land Transfer Tax
- 5.k Resolution: Cochrane re: PSA Test for Men
- 5.l Village of Newbury - Consent/ZBA/OPA
- 5.m Ontario Ombudsman Report - Facts & Highlights
- 5.n Resolution: Fort Erie re: Cannabis Licensing
- 5.o St. Clair Region Conservation Authority Challenge Flyer
- 5.p Resolution: South Stormont re: Lyme Disease
- 5.q Steve Clark - Letter to Middlesex County re: Joint Procurement

- 5.r Steve Clark - Letter to Middlesex County re: Joint Development Review
- 5.s Steve Clark - Letter to Middlesex County re: Joint Payroll, HR and Scheduling

6. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

7. PUBLIC MEETINGS

8. STAFF REPORTS

- 8.a Fire
- 8.b Administration

1. Backyard Chicken Survey Results

#2021-200

Moved by Councillor Christa Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Mike Sholdice

Option 2 (Pilot Program for Backyard Chickens – Temporary Use)

THAT staff be directed to draft updated by-laws and policies to allow for a pilot program in rural residential areas for properties an acre or more, including temporary use zoning by-law.

Against (5): Mayor Allan Mayhew, Councillor Mark McGill, Councillor Doug Bartlett, Councillor Ian Carruthers, and Councillor Martin Vink

Defeated (3 to 5)

#2021-201

Moved by Councillor Doug Bartlett

Seconded by Councillor Martin Vink

THAT Council receive the results of the Backyard Chicken Survey for information, and

THAT Council confirm that no livestock shall be permitted in residential zones.

Against (1): Councillor Christa Cowell

- 8.c Building
- 8.d Finance
- 8.e Operations

1. Wardsville Storm Water Drainage

#2021-202

Moved by Councillor Ian Carruthers

Seconded by Councillor Doug Bartlett

THAT council accept the Section 4 petition for drainage works in Wardsville;

AND that Spriet be appointed as the engineer;

AND that legal outlets be established for the Local Road Authorities.

Carried

2. McArthur Drain - Section 78 Improvement

#2021-203

Moved by Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Ian Carruthers

THAT council accept the request filed under Section 78 of The Drainage Act for Conc. 4 of Lot 11, to enclose the McArthur Drain

AND THAT the Drainage Superintendent Contact St. Clair River Conservation Authority and other applicable agencies to ensure legal compliance.

AND THAT staff send out notices to ratepayers on the drain to establish comments and the scope of work required.

THAT the Drainage Superintendent report back to council after these items have been completed.

Carried

3. RFQ Results - Loton Drain

#2021-204

Moved by Councillor Christa Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Mark McGill

THAT Council the project be awarded to Timmermans Drainage & Excavating for the Loton Drain partial reconstruction

Carried

4. RFT Results - Towers Drain Reconstruction

#2021-205

Moved by Councillor Ian Carruthers

Seconded by Councillor Christa Cowell

THAT Council approve the contract with Timmermans Drainage & Excavating for the Towers Drain reconstruction work in the amount of \$76,957.00 (excl. HST); and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO-Clerk to enter into the agreement with Timmermans Drainage & Excavating.

Carried

5. Lethbridge Road Options

#2021-206

Moved by Councillor Christa Cowell

Seconded by Councillor Mark McGill

THAT Council directs the Director of Operations to contact the three affected landowners;

AND to discuss options shared with Council for the Lethbridge Road.

Carried

9. NOTICE OF MOTION

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

Items removed from #5., the Consent Agenda:

12.a 5.d. Letter from County Engineer

Council discussed the report from Middlesex County Engineer, Chris Traini.

12.b 5.e. Building Report - January - May 2021

Councillor Sholdice inquired on permit # SWM-2021-033 to the CBO, Arnie Marsman.

12.c 5.n. Resolution: Fort Erie re: Cannabis Licensing

#2021-207

Moved by Councillor Christa Cowell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins

THAT Southwest Middlesex Council support the motion from Fort Erie regarding Cannabis Licensing

Carried

13. COUNTY COUNCIL AND CONFERENCE UPDATE

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Mayhew thanked the Lions Club for their July 1, 2021, Canada Day dinner.

15. CLOSED SESSION

16. BY-LAWS

#2021-208

Moved by Deputy Mayor Marigay Wilkins

Seconded by Councillor Ian Carruthers

THAT By-law No. 2021-024 receive third and final reading; and

Carried

#2021-209

Moved by Councillor Mike Sholdice

Seconded by Councillor Martin Vink

THAT By-law No. 2021-060 receive first, second, third and final reading.

Carried

16.a By-law No. 2021-024 (3rd reading)

16.b By-law No. 2021-060

17. FUTURE MEETINGS (subject to change)

- July 21, 2021 - 7:00 p.m. - Council & Committee of Adjustment Meeting
- August 25, 2021 - 7:00 p.m. - Council & Committee of Adjustment Meeting

18. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.