

**PERTH COUNTY COUNCIL
Minutes**

April 1, 2010
9:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of Perth County Council was called to order and roll call conducted.

Councillors present:

Warden Behrns, Councillor McMillan, Councillor McTavish, Councillor McKay, Councillor Wilhelm, Councillor Kehl, Councillor Hollinger, Councillor Seiler, Councillor Forrest, Councillor Van Bakel

Staff in attendance:

Bill Arthur, CAO/Clerk; Carol Zimmer, Deputy Clerk; Dave Hanly, Director of Planning & Development; Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer, Linda Rockwood, Director of Emergency Medical Services, Matt Ash, Director of Public Works.

Warden Behrns presided.

2. OPENING PRAYER

The April 1, 2010 Regular Meeting of Perth County Council commenced with an Opening Prayer at 9:06 a.m.

3. DECLARATION OF PERCUNIARY INTEREST and the general nature thereof

None declared

4. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution: 2010-139

Moved by Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded by Councillor Seiler

That the Council agenda for April 1, 2010 be approved.

Carried

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution: 2010-140

Moved by Councillor McTavish

Seconded by Councillor McKay

That the Items 5.1 to 5.7 be received for information and the minutes of the March 18, 2010 Regular Meeting as amended be approved.

6. PUBLIC MEETING – None

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1 Ministry of Natural Resources

Mr. Mike Malhoit from Ministry of Natural Resources made presentation to Council regarding coyote control.

Coyotes are present in the area but not as common as through the 80's, although concern has increased over the last 2 years. They are now considered a part of the permanent wildlife and people must learn how to live with them. They are good predators and feed primarily on small rodents and other wildlife, contributing to a healthy eco system. Coyotes flourish when food is available.

Coyotes are wary of humans but don't show fear if they see people regularly. In rural areas, they are hunted and will generally run away. They may attack a small child but not adult. They travel in family grouping, often 5 or 6 together, but not in general packs.

Taking measures to control coyote population is best approach and include the following:

- Don't attract to property by leaving food out
- Keep pets and livestock safe
- Don't put pets out at night as coyotes hunt during the night
- Reduce potential for encounters by scaring away from populated areas

A bounty for killing coyotes which is an incentive paid to kill any coyote anywhere and at any time across a broad geographic area has not worked as a control mechanism and has been illegal in Ontario since 1973. Presently, coyotes can be controlled by year-round hunting in Southwestern Ontario. Landowner can destroy a coyote under the Protection of Property Act, Section 31(1) or landowner can pay authorized agents to kill problem coyotes under Section 31(2). Licensed trappers are not hunters who are permitted to hunt year round and are not paid. Both trappers and hunters must follow the regulations set by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Municipalities can also become part of the Municipal Financial Incentive for Control of Coyote Predation under the Fish & Wildlife Conservation Act. This deals with troublesome animals only which must be confirmed and not the general population. Hunting and trapping regulations apply.

Livestock owners can be reimbursed for lost livestock under the Livestock, Poultry and Honey Bee Protection Act. Municipal Livestock Evaluators assess the situation and if determined damage was done by coyote, the program is put in motion. Huron, Bruce and Grey have this program with payments ranging from \$35.00 to \$50.00 (going to \$100.00). This program has a high potential for fraud,

particularly if the payments are high. Application must be made to MNR and bylaw passed by the municipality.

Few cases of rabies have been reported in the coyote population. Mange (skin disease) is more common and can cause death in the coyote population.

8. ADJOURN TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution: 2010-141

Moved by Councillor Wilhelm Seconded by Councillor Van Bakel
That the Council of the County of Perth adjourns to convene as Committee of the Whole at 9:43 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Kehl took the Chair for the Committee of the Whole.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

8.1 Planning and Development

8.1.1 Hwy 7/8 Workshop Update

Recommendation: 2010-R142

Moved by Councillor Hollinger Seconded by Councillor Forrest
That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Perth County Council that the Planning Director's April 1, 2010 report on the March 8th and March 27th workshops for the Highway 7 & 8 study be received for information.

Carried

8.1.2 Other matters - None

8.2 CAO

8.2.1 Coyote Control

Recommendation: 2010-R143

Moved by Councillor Seiler Seconded by Councillor Forrest
That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Perth County Council that Perth County encourage all rural and urban residents to become knowledgeable about coyotes, to protect their properties, pets, livestock, crops and families by removing or restricting access to the coyote and to restrict opportunities for coyotes to find potential food sources on their properties.

Carried

8.2.2 Other Matters - None

8.3 **Corporate Services**

8.3.1 Other Matters - None

8.4 **Emergency Medical Services**

8.4.1 Other Matters - None

8.5 **Public Works**

8.5.1 Capital Tender Approval

Recommendation: 2010-R144

Moved by Councillor Van Bakel Seconded by Councillor Hollinger
That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Perth County Council that contract #10-002, resurfacing of Perth Line 20, be awarded to Coco Paving Inc. in the amount of \$313,140.50 plus GST.

Carried

Recommendation: 2010-R145

Moved by Councillor McKay Seconded by Councillor McMillan
That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Perth County Council that contract #10-001, slurry seal, be awarded to MSO Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$225,248.10 plus GST.

Carried

Recommendation: 2010-R146

Moved by Councillor Wilhelm Seconded by Councillor McTavish
That the Committee of the Whole recommends to Perth County Council that contract for the supply of road signs be awarded to Mechanical Advertising in the amount of \$51,021.50 plus GST.

Carried

8.5.2 2009 Roads Needs Study

Recommendation: 2010-R147

Moved by Councillor Forrest Seconded by Councillor Wilhelm
That the Executive Summary for the 2009 Roads Need Study Update be received for information.

Carried

8.5.3 Other Matters – None

8.6 **Financial Reports** – None

9.0 **CORRESPONDENCE/MINUTES OF OUTSIDE BOARDS/COMMITTEES –**

9.1 Perth District Health Unit Minutes – February 17, 2010

Recommendation: 2010-R148

Moved by Councillor Hollinger

Seconded by Councillor McKay

That the minutes of the Perth District Health Unit on February 17, 2010 be received for information.

Carried

9.2 Facilities Review Committee Minutes – March 15, 2010

Recommendation: 2010-R149

Moved by Councillor McTavish

Seconded by Councillor Seiler

That the minutes of the Facilities Review Committee on March 15, 2010 be received for information.

Carried

Recommendation: 2010-R150

Moved by Councillor Van Bakel

Seconded by Councillor Hollinger

To adjourn Committee of the Whole and reconvene as Council.

Carried

Warden Behrns resumed Chair

10. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

10.1 Removal of any Recommendations from Committee of the Whole –
None

10.2 Deferral of Recommendations from Committee of the Whole – None

12.3 Endorsement of Recommendations from Committee of the Whole

Resolution: 2010-151

Moved by Councillor Kehl

Seconded by Councillor Van Bakel

That the Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth endorses all recommendations from Committee of the Whole on April 1, 2010.

Carried

11. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS** – None

12. **NEW BUSINESS** –

12.1 The first meeting of the IPM 2013 Committee was held with 400 attending. Volunteer forms were distributed to Council and staff.

13. **BY-LAWS** –

13.1 By-law 3186-2010 to amend By-law 3156 – Professional Development allowances for Councillors

Resolution: 2010-152

Moved by Councillor Forrest

Seconded by Councillor McKay

That By-law 3186-2010 being a By-law to amend By-law 3156-2010 to delete the carryover of Professional Development allowances for Councillors be read a first and second time.

Carried

Resolution: 2010-153

Moved by Councillor McMillan

Seconded by Councillor Wilhelm

That By-law 3186-2010 being a By-law to be amend By-law 3156-2010 to delete the carryover of Professional Development allowances for Councillors read a third and final time

AND THAT the Warden and the Clerk are hereby authorized and instructed to sign the same, and attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

Carried

14. **CLOSED SESSION** –

Resolution: 2010-154

Moved by Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded by Councillor Kehl

That Perth County Council move to Closed Meeting at 10:50 a.m. in accordance with Sec. 239 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25(as amended), regarding subject matter as follows:

- Labour relations or employee negotiations regarding CUPE
- Litigation or potential litigation regarding Tree by-law

Carried

No report out required

Councillor Van Bakel left Council at 11:22 a.m.

Council reconvened in Regular Meeting at 11:35 a.m.

15. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Resolution: 2010-155

Moved by Councillor McKay

Seconded by Councillor Wilhelm

That By-law 3187-2010 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth, at its regular meeting on April 1, 2010 be read a first, second and third time and

That the Warden and Clerk are hereby authorized and instructed to sign the same, and attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

Carried

16. **ADJOURNAMENT**

Resolution: 2010-156

Moved by Councillor Seiler

Seconded by Councillor Kehl

That the April 1, 2010 Regular Meeting of Perth County Council adjourns at 11:46 a.m.

Carried

Warden, Julie Behrns

Clerk, R. William Arthur