



**The Corporation of The County of Perth
Special County Council Meeting**

**Council Chamber, Township of Perth East
25 Mill Street, Milverton**

October 26, 2015

Council Present:

Warden Wilhelm
Councillor McMillan
Councillor Behrns
Councillor Aitcheson
Councillor Schneider
Councillor Ehgoetz
Councillor McKenzie
Councillor Eidt
Councillor Kellum
Councillor Dowd

Staff Present:

Bill Arthur, CAO
Director of Emergency Services Linda Rockwood
Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services, Treasurer
Allan Rothwell, Director of Planning & Development
Linda Rockwood, Director, EMS
Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier; Clerk
Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support Clerk/Recording Secretary
Mark Swallow, Planner
Adam Betteridge, Planner
Spencer McDonald, Planner
Stephen Cornwell, Planner

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of Perth County with Quorum present was called to order at 9:00 AM.

The Regular Meeting of Perth County Council commenced with a moment of silent reflection.

2. Confirmation of the Agenda

2015-307

Moved By: Councillor Aitcheson

Seconded By: Councillor Schneider

THAT the Special County Council agenda for October 26, 2015 be approved as circulated;

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - None

4. Staff Reports

4.1 Restructuring Proposal City of Stratford, Township of Perth East, County of Perth

4.1.1 Restructuring Report Update

4.1.2 Letter from Chief Paradis

4.1.3 Correspondence from Chief Bellai

4.1.4 Restructuring Proposal Report October 1 2015 Meeting

2015-308

Moved By: Councillor Dowd

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Restructuring Proposal City of Stratford, Township of Perth East, County of Perth (Report PL-2015)” for information;

THAT Council approves Restructuring Proposal Option “B” and authorizes its submission to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing upon unanimous consent of the Corporation of the Township of Perth East, the Corporation of the City of Stratford, and the Corporation of the County of Perth; and

THAT Council approve Bylaw No. 3485-2015 being a bylaw to authorize the signing of a Restructuring Proposal to affect the annexation of certain lands from the Corporation of the Township of Perth East and the Corporation of the County of Perth to the Corporation of the City of Stratford;

Carried

4.2 Surplus Farmhouse Severances

The rules of order were relaxed for this section of the agenda to permit extended debate as per the procedure by-law, with the approval of the Head of Council and consensus of the Council.

4.2.1 Past Staff Reports on Surplus Farmhouse Severances

Background information and considerations regarding surplus farmhouse severances were presented to Council by Planning Department staff.

Staff from the Planning Department circulated the following documents at the meeting:

1. Surrounding Counties Policies Related to Surplus Farmhouse Severances;
2. Policy Building: Possible Criteria for Surplus Farm Dwelling Severance Policy; and
3. Minimum Distance Separation Scenario Examples Related to Possible Impacts of Surplus Farmhouse Severances.

Council recessed at 10:26 AM

Council reconvened at 10:44 AM

2015-309

Motion by: Councillor McMillan

Seconded by: Councillor Schneider

THAT Perth County Council agrees that there be one policy related to surplus farmhouse severances;

Carried

2015-310**Motion by:** Councillor Dowd**Seconded by:** Councillor McKenzie

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

5-Year Ownership;

Carried

2015-311**Motion by:** Councillor Behrns**Seconded by:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

No dwelling to be constructed on retained lands, and

- i) Agreement registered on the title; and
- ii) Zoning Bylaw Amendment required to prohibit new dwelling on retained land;

Carried

2015-312**Motion by:** Councillor Eidt**Seconded by:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Properties must be in the exact same name;

Carried

2015-313**Motion by:** Councillor McMillan**Seconded by:** Councillor Behrns

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Minimum Distance Separation I must be met for surplus farmhouse lot;

Carried

2015-314**Motion by:** Councillor McKenzie**Seconded by:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Minimum lot size to accommodate sewer and water services;

Carried**2015-315****Motion by:** Councillor Kellum**Seconded by:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Surplus farmhouse severance dwelling must be habitable to the satisfaction of the local Chief Building Official;

Carried**2015-316****Motion by:** Councillor Behrns**Seconded by:** Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Farm Business registration number for the owner of the properties;

Carried**2015-317****Motion by:** Councillor McKenzie**Seconded by:** Councillor Behrns

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Criteria of location related to Surplus Farmhouse Severance Policy
- Distance 5 km

For Warden Wilhelm, Councillor McKenzie, Councillor Eidt and Councillor Aitcheson

Against Councillor Schneider, Councillor Dowd, Councillor Kellum, Councillor Ehgoetz, Councillor Behrns and Councillor McMillan

Defeated

2015-318**Motion by:** Councillor McMillan**Seconded by:** Councillor Behrns

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a draft policy with respect to surplus farmhouse severances that includes the following criteria:

Two or more farms must be located adjacent to each other on the same side of the road

Carried**2015-319****Moved By:** Councillor Dowd**Seconded By:** Councillor McMillan

3485-2015 Being a By-law to Authorize the Signing of a Restructuring Proposal and Boundary Adjustment to Affect the Annexation of Certain Lands for the Corporation of the City of Stratford, The Corporation of the Township of Perth East and the Corporation of the County of Perth;

THAT the Bylaw listed above be read a first, second and third time and finally passed;

Carried**5.2 Confirming Bylaw****2015-320****Moved By:** Councillor Kellum**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT Bylaw 3488-2015 , Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its special meeting held on October 26, 2015 be read a first, second and third time;

Carried**6. Adjournment****2015-321****Moved By:** Councillor Schneider**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT the Council meeting adjourn at 12:31;

Carried

 Warden Robert Wilhelm

 Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, Clerk