



**The Corporation of The County of Perth  
Council - Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

**November 19, 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:**

Linda Rockwood, Acting CAO/Director of Emergency Services  
Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services, Treasurer  
Allan Rothwell, Director of Planning & Development  
Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier; Clerk  
Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support Clerk/Recording Secretary  
Adam Betteridge, Planner  
Kristin Sainsbury, Economic Development Coordinator  
John McClelland, Roads and Fleet Manager  
Cliff Eggleton, Operations Manager

**Others Present:**

Jeff Horseman, Acting EMS Chief, County of Huron

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Moment of Reflection**

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

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - None**

**4. Confirmation of the Agenda**

**2015-348**

**Moved By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT the Council Agenda for the November 19, 2015 be approved;

**Carried**

**5. Consent Agenda**

**2015-349**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor Schneider

THAT the Consent Agenda Items 5.1 to 5.2 are received for information and the minutes of the November 5, 2015 Regular Council Meeting be adopted;

**Carried**

**5.1 County Council - November 5, 2015 - Regular Minutes**

**5.2 Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA) - October 14, 2015 Special General Meeting Minutes**

**6. Public Meetings, Public Hearings and Delegations - None**

**7. Staff Reports**

**7.1 Planning and Development**

**7.1.1 Tree Report**

**2015-350**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Schneider

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Monthly Tree Inspection Report”;

**Carried**

### **7.1.2 Drinking Water Source Protection Plans and the Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund**

**2015-351**

**Moved By:** Councillor Aitcheson

**Seconded By:** Councillor McMillan

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Drinking Water Source Protection Plans and the Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund (Report PL-2015)” for information;

**Carried**

### **7.1.3 Surplus Farmhouse**

**2015-352**

**Moved 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;

- Regulation of livestock barns;

**Carried**

**2015-353**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Draft Surplus Farm Dwelling Severance Policies (Report PL-2015) for information; and

THAT the Planning Department present to the lower tiers;

**Carried**

#### **7.1.4 Trails and Active Transportation Update (Proposed Goderich to Guelph Rail Trail)**

**2015-354**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Trails and Active Transportation Update (Proposed Goderich to Guelph Rail Trail) (Report PL-2015)” for information;

**Carried**

A thank you was extended to Spencer McDonald, Planner, of the Planning and Development Department, for his work with the County during the past year.

### **7.2 Chief Administrative Officer**

#### **7.2.1 Proposed Operational Changes to Stratford Perth Centre for Business**

**2015-355**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Proposed Operational Changes for the Stratford Perth Centre for Business (CAO – 2015)” report; and

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a letter to City of Stratford Mayor and Council for the Warden’s signature expressing the County’s concerns noted in this report and requesting that the City defer their decision until concerns of the County with the new service delivery can be adequately addressed; and

THAT Council direct staff contract Ministry of Economic Development and Infrastructure to request a meeting; and further

THAT a copy of the letter be sent to the City of Stratford and be sent to area MPP Randy Pettapiece;

**Carried**

**7.3 Corporate Services - None**

**7.4 Emergency Services**

**7.4.1 Huron County EMS and Perth County EMS Service Review**

**2015-356**

**Moved By:** Councillor Schneider

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Huron County EMS and Perth County EMS Service Review – ES - 2015” report; and

THAT Council support the findings of the working group to not proceed with the amalgamation of Huron County EMS and Perth County EMS, and

THAT Emergency Services staff be directed to continue to investigate options for shared cost savings identified by the working group, including the development and delivery of education and training, as well as joint purchasing; and further

THAT Emergency Services staff be directed to review the findings of the working group to identify other potential areas for cost savings and operational efficiencies;

**Carried**

County Council recessed at 11:01 AM

County Council resumed at 11:12 AM

Steve Drake, Technical Services Coordinator and John McClelland now are present.

**7.5 Public Works**

**7.5.1 7.5.1 Joint Tender Process 2016 Tandem Axle Snow Plow**

**2015 -357**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor McKenzie

THAT Perth County Council receives “Joint Tender Process for 2016 Tandem Axle Snow Plow – (PW2015)” report; and

THAT Council authorize the Roads & Fleet Manager to participate in a joint public tender for the procurement of one tandem-axle cab and chassis, tandem “U” body and snow plow equipment.

**Carried**

## **7.6 2016 -2018 Budget Presentation and Review**

The budget information can be found on the County of Perth's website at: [http://www.perthcounty.ca/financial\\_reports](http://www.perthcounty.ca/financial_reports)

Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services and Treasurer provided the 2016-2018 Budget Presentation and Review.

### **7.6.1 Budget Summary Presentation**

Corey Bridge, Deputy Treasurer and Martin Minifie, Financial Analyst is now present.

Mr. Pullia noted that information from the Ministry of Finance was released with respect to allocation notifications for the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) and provided a hand out for the county and its lower-tier municipalities' allocation figures for 2016 vs 2015.

### **7.6.2 2016 Capital Budget Review**

An overview of the 2016 Capital Budget was held.

County Council requested that Council reconvene in the Council Chamber, Court House, 1 Huron Street following lunch on December 3, 2015 for continuation of 2016 Capital Budget review.

## **8. Correspondence**

### **8.1 Municipality of North Perth – October 5, 2015 – Agricultural Working Group**

**2015 -358**

**Moved By:** Councillor McMillan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Eidt

THAT Item 8.1 be referred to staff for a report to council;

**Carried**

### **8.2 Federation of Agriculture – November 2, 2015 – Support for Perth County Agricultural Working Group**

### **8.3 Ministry of Finance – October 13, 2015 – Correspondence re: Association of Municipalities of Ontario**

### **8.4 Stratford Perth Community Foundation – January 16, 2016 – 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mayor's Gala**

### **8.5 Ministry of Economic Development Employment Infrastructure – October 14, 2015 – Nominations for D C Onley Award for Leadership In Accessibility**

**2015 -359**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor McKenzie

THAT Correspondence Item 8.2 to 8.5 is received;

**Carried**

## **9. Council Reports**

County Councillors thanked Warden Wilhelm for his leadership during his time as Perth County Warden.

## **10. by-Laws – None**

## **11. Notice of Motions – None**

## **12. Other Business – None**

13. **Announcements – None**

14. **Closed Session Meeting and Reporting Out – None**

15. **Confirmatory By-Law**

**2015 -360**

**Moved By:** Councillor Schneider

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT By-law 3491-2015, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its regular meeting held on November 19, 2015 be read a first, second and third time;

**Carried**

16. **Adjournment**

**2015 -361**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor Eidt

THAT the meeting adjourn at 12:43 pm;

**Carried**

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Robert Wilhelm, Warden

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Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, Clerk