



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

December 3, 2015

Council Present:

Warden Schneider
Councillor McMillan
Councillor Behrns
Councillor Aitcheson
Councillor Wilhelm
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
Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier; Clerk
Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support Clerk/Recording
Secretary
Julie Jeffrey, Quality Assurance Manager
Jeff Sager, EMS Supervisor
Kristin Sainsbury, Economic Development Coordinator
Sandy McLean, Facilities Manager

1. Call to Order

Jill Bellchamber-Glazier, County Clerk, called the meeting to order at Griffith Auditorium, Spruce Lodge, Stratford at 9 AM.

2. Moment of Reflection

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

3. Confirmation of the Agenda

2015- 362

Moved By: Councillor Kellum

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT the Council Agenda for the December 3, 2015 meeting be approved;

Carried

4. Warden's Election

1. Jill Bellchamber-Glazier, County Clerk chaired the meeting during the Warden's Election and introduced County Council.
2. Ron McKay, Past Warden's Chair introduced the Past Wardens in attendance. A Past Warden Association 2015 pin was given to Past Warden Wilhelm.
3. Councillor Schneider was the only member of County Council to declare his intention to seek the office of the Warden of Perth County for 2016, and as a result, there was no election. Jill Bellchamber-Glazier declared Meredith (Mert) Schneider as the Warden of Perth County for 2016.
4. Warden-elect Schneider took the Declaration of Office before County Clerk Jill Bellchamber-Glazier.
5. Immediate Past Warden Robert Wilhelm presented the Chain of Office and the gavel to Warden Meredith Schneider.
6. Warden Schneider, in his Inaugural address to Perth County Council, outlined his priorities for 2016 including the review of the Official Plan, supporting the agricultural sector and growing industry, as well as working with Perth County's lower-tier municipalities and continuing to strengthen the county's partnerships with the City of Stratford and the Town of St. Marys.
7. A number of visitors, including the following people spoke conveying congratulations to the new Warden:
 - Mayor Al Strathdee on behalf of the Town of St Marys
 - Councillor Kathy Vassilakos, on behalf of the City of Stratford
 - Tim Sparks on behalf of Member of Parliament John Nater

Jill Bellchamber-Glazier read greetings from Randy Pettapiece, Member of Provincial Parliament, for Perth-Wellington who was unable to attend.

Ray Bender, Past Warden congratulated Warden Schneider.

Joanne Foster, representing the Perth County Federation provided greetings and best wishes from the Association.

Council recessed at 9:25 AM.

A reception was held in the Griffith Auditorium, Spruce Lodge.

Council reconvened at 10:00 AM

Warden Schneider is now chairing the meeting.

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - None

6. Consent Agenda

2015-363

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT the Consent Agenda Items 6.1 to 6.11 are received for information and the draft minutes of the November 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended;

Carried

6.1 Perth County Council - November 19, 2015 - Regular Minutes

6.2 Municipal Liaison Committee - September 3, 2015 - Regular Minutes

6.3 Economic Development Committee, Municipality of North Perth - September 15, 2015 - Regular Draft Minutes

6.4 Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority - General Manager's Report - November 26, 2015; Board of Directors Minutes - October 15, 2015

6.5 Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance - November 5, 2015 - Board Highlights

- 6.6 Spruce Lodge Board of Management - October 21, 2015 - Regular Minutes**
- 6.7 Perth District Health Board - September 16 and October 21, 2015 - Regular Minutes**
- 6.8 Corporation of the United Townships Of Head, Clara and Maria - November 2015 - Requesting Support For Resolution - Auto-Extrication**
- 6.10 24 St Andrews Renovation - Ad-Hoc Committee**
- 6.11 Age Friendly Community Steering Committee - September 30, 2015 - Regular Minutes**

7. Public Meetings, Public Hearings and Delegations

7.1 Appreciation Pins Presentation

Warden Schneider presented Councillor Behrns with a 15 year service pin.

Julie Jeffrey, EMS QA Supervisor was awarded with 25 year service pin and watch by EMS Chief Linda Rockwood.

8. Staff Reports

8.1 Planning and Development

8.1.1 Addressing of Vacant Farm Parcels that Currently Do Not Have a Municipal Address

2015-364

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Addressing of Vacant Farm Parcels that Currently Do Not Have a Municipal Address (Report PL-2015)” for information;

Carried

2015- 365

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor McMillan

THAT Planning Staff be directed to prepare a report for further information on signage for vacant farmland properties;

AND THAT an amount be included in the Planning Budget for 2016 to address expected costs of the signs;

Carried

8.2 Chief Administrative Officer

8.2.1 Appoint Council Committees and Outside Boards for 2016

2016 Committees and Boards

COMMITTEE/ BOARD	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER
Spruce Lodge Board	Ehgoetz	Aitcheson			
Perth District Health Unit	Dowd	Wilhelm	Schneider		
Stratford-Perth Museum	Kellum				
Joint Accessibility	Dowd				
Municipal Liaison	McMillan	Wilhelm	Schneider		
Land Division	Eidt	McKenzie	Schneider (Chair)	Aitcheson	Ehgoetz
Perth County Drug Strategy Task Force	Wilhelm				
Perth County Visitors Association	Dowd				
Stratford-Perth Region Interoperability Joint Committee	Schneider	CAO	CEMC	Director of EMS	Director of Public Works (Vacant)

2015-366

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Committee and Board Appointments for 2016 – (CAO-2015)” report; and

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a bylaw for December 17, 2015 to provide for the appointment of members to committees and boards;

Carried

8.2.2 Review of Internal Hiring Policies

2015- 367

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Eidt

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Review of Internal Hiring Policies (CAO – 2015)” report for information;

Carried

8.2.3 Invest Canada-Community Initiatives Grant Application

Kristin Sainsbury, Economic Development Coordinator was available for questions.

2015- 368

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor McKenzie

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Invest Canada-Community Initiatives Grant Application (CAO – 2015)” report; and

THAT Council direct staff to submit an application to the Federal Invest Canada-Community Initiatives Grant Program for 50% matching funds up to \$20,000.00;

Carried

8.2.4 Canadian CDX Dairy Expo Partnership Request

Kristin Sainsbury was available for questions.

2015- 369

Moved By: Councillor Dowd

Seconded By: Councillor Behrns

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Canadian CDX Dairy Expo Partnership Request (CAO – 2015)” report; and

THAT Council support the request to promote Perth County as the Home of the Dairy Expo ; and

THAT Council support the partnership outlined in the CDX 2016 Perth County Partnership Agreement; and

THAT Council direct staff to increase the proposed 2016 Economic Development Public Relations budget presented to Council by \$5000 to accommodate this request;

THAT By-law 3492-2015 be passed to authorize the CAO to enter into an agreement with CDX;

Carried

8.3 Corporate Services - None

8.4 Emergency Services

8.4.1 Joint Emergency Management Program

2015- 370

Moved By: Councillor McKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receives the Joint Emergency Management Program – ES – 2015 report for information and;

That staff be directed to forward a report to each Lower Tier Municipality in Perth County to appoint Dave Colvin as their Primary CEMC through by-law;

Carried

8.5 Public Works

8.5.1 EMS Headquarters Construction Update

Sandy McLean, Facilities Manager was available for questions.

2015- 371

Moved By: Councillor Dowd

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT Perth County Council receives the Land Ambulance HQ/Stratford EMS Base Update PW/FAC – 2015 report for information purposes; and

THAT staff be directed to provide a further update report at the regular meeting of Council on January 7, 2016;

Carried

8.5.2 Mitchell Public Works Garage Update

Sandy McLean, Facilities Manager was available for questions.

2015- 372

Moved By: Councillor Ehgoetz

Seconded By: Councillor Behrns

THAT staff be directed to work with the contractor for the Mitchell Public Work Garage to include a separate designated female washroom and bring back a report with the associated costs of the change;

Carried

2015- 373

Moved By: Councillor Kellum

Seconded By: Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receives the Mitchell Public Works Garage Update PW/FAC – 2015 report for information purposes; and

THAT staff be directed to provide a further update report at the regular meeting of Council on January 7, 2016;

Carried

8.5.3 24 St. Andrew Street Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation

2015- 374

Motion by: Councillor McMillan

Seconded by: Councillor Ehgoetz

That Perth County Council dissolves the 24 St. Andrew Street Ad Hoc Committee; and further

THAT council directs staff to prepare a report on the options related to possible uses of the county-owned facilities located at 24 St. Andrew Street, 1 Huron Street, and 5 Huron Street, Stratford, for its consideration through an interim report in January 2016, and a final report in February 2016;

Carried

9. Correspondence

2015-375

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Eidt

THAT the Correspondence 9.1 to 9.4 be received for information;

Carried

10. Council Reports

10.1 Warden's Activity Report - September and October 2016

2015- 376

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Warden's Activity Report for September and October 2015" dated December 3, 2015 for information;

Carried

11. By-Laws

11.1 3492-2015 Being a By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Partnership Agreement Between the Corporation of the County of Perth and the Canadian Dairy XPO (See 8.2.4)

2015- 377

Moved By: Councillor Eidt

Seconded By: Councillor McKenzie

- 3492-2015 Being a By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Partnership Agreement Between the Corporation of the County of Perth and the Canadian Dairy XPO;

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

Carried

12. Notice of Motions - None

13. Other Business - None

14. Announcements

1. **Recess:** It was announced that County Council would recess for lunch and reconvene at 1 Huron Street, Stratford in Council Chambers at the Perth County Courthouse for the remainder of the meeting at 1:00 PM
2. **Farm Safety Association:** Councillor McMillan advised that Councillor Doug Eidt is the new Farm Safety Association President.

County Council recessed for lunch at 11:40 AM

County Council reconvened at Council Chambers, Court House, 1 Huron Street, Stratford at 1:00 PM

**15. Closed Session Meeting and Reporting Out
2015- 378**

Moved By: Councillor Eidt

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT Perth County Council move into Closed Session at 1:08 PM in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c. 25 (as amended) to consider:

- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communication necessary for that purpose;

Specifically, the Closed Session business relates to:

1. Minutes of closed meeting of November 5, 2015
2. Advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege including communications, related to a property matter

16. 2016 Budget - Capital

TAB 2 – CAPITAL BUDGET

Capital budgets for computer systems, bridges, roads, facilities and land, fleet, and medical equipment were presented by Steve Drake, John McClelland, and Sandy McLean.

The Capital Budget items were reviewed with Asset Managers available for questions. No amendments were requested by Council.

BUDGET BINDER TABS 3 to 5 are to be reviewed at the next Council meeting on December 17, 2015.

(Operating Budget; CAO Office and Corporate Services)

17. Confirmatory By-Law

2015- 379

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT By-law 3493-2015, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its regular meeting held on December 3, 2015 be read a first, second and third time;

Carried

18. Adjournment

2015- 380

Moved By: Councillor Aitcheson

Seconded By: Councillor McMillan

THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:08 am.

Carried

Meredith Schneider, Warden

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, Clerk