



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

**February 18, 2016**

**Council Present:**

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

**Staff Present:**

Bill Arthur, CAO  
Linda Rockwood, 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  
Amy Thomson, Human Resources Manager  
Cliff Eggleton, Operations Manager  
Adam Betteridge, Planner

**1. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of Perth County with Quorum present was called to order at 9:00 AM with Acting Warden Robert Wilhelm presiding. Warden Schneider was absent at this time.

**2. Moment of Reflection**

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

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

**4. Confirmation of the Agenda**

**2016-65**

**Moved By:** Councillor McMillan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT the Council Agenda for the February 18, 2016 meeting be approved, with the following additions listed under "Other Business":

- 1) Mission Statement
- 2) Strategic Plan 2012-2017
- 3) Goals and Objectives/ Core Values
- 4) Perth Area CAOs' Team (PACT)
- 5) Joint Service Delivery Review
- 6) Visioning session or educational retreat possibility;

**Carried**

**5. Consent Agenda**

**2016-66**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT the Consent Agenda Items 5.1 to 5.2 be received for information and the minutes of the February 4, 2016 Regular Council Meeting be adopted;

**Carried**

**5.1 Perth County Council - February 4, 2016 - Regular Minutes**

**5.2 Perth County Visitors' Association - December 9, 2015 - Draft Regular Minutes**

**6. Public Meetings, Public Hearings and Delegations**

## **6.1 Roger Watt, Huron SWIFT Representative**

At the request of County Council, Roger Watt, Deputy Reeve of Ashfield-Colbourne-Wawanash, Huron County Councillor, and Huron County's representative on the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus' Steering Committee for the SouthWestern Integrated Fibre Technology (SWIFT) initiative, presented information on the SWIFT initiative with a focus on Perth and Huron Rural Broadband Connections.

## **6.2 Official Plan Amendment (Toews) - Public Meeting**

Acting Warden Wilhelm stated that the purpose of the public meeting is to provide an opportunity to advise the public of the purpose and intent of the amendment and to receive input prior to considering adoption of the modifications to the Amendment to the County of Perth Official Plan.

Those present wanting to receive written notice of the decision were asked to provide their name, address and telephone number to the Clerk. Allan Rothwell, Director of Planning & Development noted that the purpose of the Amendment to the County of Perth Official Plan (OPA) is to allow the portion of the property that is licensed for aggregate extraction to be severed and merged with an adjoining property to the west. The subject property is owned by Sun Haven Family Farms Inc. and affects property in the Township of Perth South (Blanshard Ward) described as Part of Lot 22, Concession 12, (5095 Line 2). Comments were then made in respect to the Notice of the Public Meeting details.

Written Correspondence received prior to the preparation of the planning report was referred to with copies being attached to the planning report.

The following comments were received after the preparation of the report:

1. Township of Perth South – February 10, 2016 – Resolution of Perth South Council advising approval of the application for an Official Plan Amendment by Robert Toews
2. Upper Thames River Conservation Authority – February 19, 2016 – Advised that they have no objections to the application.

Acting Warden Wilhelm offered those in attendance the opportunity to speak in support of the Application.

3. Gerald Marshall, R R #2 Granton support in support of the application.

Gerald Marshall read correspondence from Dr. Robert and Debbie Folkard, 5051 Line 2, Granton dated February 17, 2016 advising concerns of excess noise and toxicity of the land. A copy of the correspondence was left with the Clerk.

Acting Warden Wilhelm offered those in attendance the opportunity to speak in opposition to the Application. No one spoke in opposition.

Acting Warden Wilhelm offered the Applicant/Applicant's Agent to speak to the application.

Steven Toews, spokesman on behalf of the applicant, spoke in favour of the application and was available for questions.

### **6.2.1 Part of Lot 22, Conc. 11, Blanshard Ward (5095 Line 2), Township of Perth South**

**2016-67**

**Moved By:** Councillor Aitcheson

**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT County Council receive the "Application for Official Plan Amendment by Robert Toews" (Report PL-2016)" for information; and

THAT County Council approve the Application for an Official Plan Amendment by Robert Toews for property described as Part of Lot 22, Concession 11, Blanshard Ward (5095 Line 2), Township of Perth South and

THAT County Council approve and adopt By-law 3504-2016 A By-law to Adopt Amendment No. 151 to the County of Perth Official Plan;

**Carried**

## 7. Closed Session

Specifically, the Closed Session business relates to:

1. Closed Minutes - February 4, 2016
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

### **2016-68**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT Perth County Council move into Closed Session at 9:41 AM in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c. 25 (as amended) to consider:

1. Closed Minutes - February 4, 2016
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

**Carried**

Warden Meredith Schneider arrived at the Council meeting at 10:00 AM (during the closed session).

Council returned to open session at 11:09 AM

Council recessed at 11:09 AM

Council resumed at 11:20 AM, Warden Schneider presiding as Chair.

## 8. Staff Reports

### 8.1 Planning and Development

#### 8.1.1 Monthly Tree Inspection Report Tree Report

**2016-69**

**Moved By:** Councillor Wilhelm

**Seconded By:** Councillor Eidt

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Monthly Tree Inspection Report" (PL-2016) for information;

**Carried**

**8.1.2 Approval of North Perth Part Lot Control By-law**

**2016-70**

**Moved By:** Councillor Kellum

**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT County Council receives the "Approval of North Perth's Part Lot Control By-law No. 10-2016 Affecting Property Described as Lots 15 and 16, Plan 44M-33 (Anger Street East, Listowel Ward) in the Municipality of North Perth (Report PL-2016)" for information; and

That County Council approves the Municipality of North Perth's By-law No. 10-2016 for the removal of part-lot control on property described as Lots 15 and 16, Plan 44M-33 (Anger Street East, Listowel Ward) in the Municipality of North Perth;

**Carried**

Cliff Eggleton, Operations Manager; Adam Betteridge, Planner, and Amy Thomson, Human Resources Manager are now present.

**8.1.3 Surplus Farmhouse Severance Policy**

**2016-71**

**Main Motion**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Kellum

THAT County Council receives the "Draft Surplus Farmhouse Severance Policies (Report PL-2016)" for information and

THAT the Planning Director is directed to prepare an amendment to the Official Plan that was presented to the lower-tier Councils based on the option (resolution 2015-318) developed at the October 2015 Special Meeting of County Council regarding Surplus Farmhouse Severances;

Council discussed main motion.

**2016-72**

**Motion to Amend the Main Motion**

**Moved By:** Councillor McKenzie

**Seconded By:** Councillor Aitcheson

Motion to amend the main motion regarding Surplus Farmhouse Severances to include:

THAT the option for 1 km.distance be included in the proposed draft policy;

Councillor Eidt requested a recorded vote for both the main motion and the motion to amend the main motion.

**Vote on Motion to Amend the Main Motion (2016-72)**

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

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

**Defeated**

**Vote on the Main Motion (2016-71)**

For Councillor Wilhelm, Councillor McMillan, Councillor Behrns, Councillor Aitcheson, Councillor McKenzie, Councillor Kellum, Councillor Dowd and Warden Schneider

Against Councillor Ehgoetz and Councillor Eidt

**Carried**

## 15. Closed Session Meeting and Reporting Out

**2016- 73**

**Moved By:** Councillor McKenzie

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT Perth County Council move into Closed Session at 11:58 AM in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c. 25 (as amended) to consider:

- Labour relations and employee negotiations and
- advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

**Carried**

Council returned to open session at 12:16 PM

Council recessed at 12:16 PM for lunch.

Council reconvened at 1:00 PM

Councillor Kellum, Councillor McKenzie and Councillor Doug Eidt are now absent.

## 8. Staff Reports

### 8.2 Chief Administrative Officer

#### 8.2.1 HR Policy Review – Policy I-9a) Job Evaluation/ Maintenance Review Process

Amy Thomson, Human Resources Manager was available for questions.

**2016-74**

**Motion to Defer**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT agenda item 8.2.1 HR Policy Review – Policy I-9 a) Job Evaluation/Maintenance Review Process be deferred, with an additional report on the original motion (resolution 2016-29) from January 21, 2016;

**Carried**



**2016 -75**

**Motion to Defer**

**Moved By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT agenda items 8.2.2 to 11.2 be deferred;

**Carried**

**13. Other Business**

**2016-76**

**Moved By:** Councillor McMillan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Wilhelm

THAT staff be directed to arrange a date in April to organize a visioning session for County Council as a special meeting of Council;

**Carried**

**2016-77**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Wilhelm

THAT a closed session be held to discuss a matter at the March 3, 2016 meeting of Council to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual;

**Carried**

**2016-78**

**Moved By:** Councillor Ehgoetz

**Seconded By:** Councillor Behrns

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report on options for receiving closed meeting agendas;

**Carried**

**16. Confirmatory By-Law**

**2016- 79**

**Moved By:** Councillor Wilhelm

**Seconded By:** Councillor Dowd

THAT By-law 3506-2016, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its regular meeting held on February 18, 2016 be read a first, second and third time;

**Carried**

**17. Adjournment**

**2016-80**

**Moved By:** Councillor Behrns

**Seconded By:** Councillor Aitcheson

THAT the meeting adjourn at 1:41 PM;

**Carried**

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Meredith Schneider, Warden

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Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, County Clerk