



The Corporation of The County of Perth

Council - Regular Meeting

Minutes

Spruce Lodge, Griffith Auditorium

643 West Gore Street, Stratford

December 1, 2016

9:00 am

Council Present:

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

Staff Present:

Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services, Treasurer
Linda Rockwood, ,Director of Emergency Services
Allan Rothwell, Director of Planning & Development
John McClelland, Director of Public Works
Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, Clerk
Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support Clerk/Recording Secretary
Corey Bridge, Deputy Treasurer
Meredith Forget, Economic Development Coordinator
Amy Thomson, Human Resources Manager

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of Perth County with Quorum present was called to order at 9:00 AM in the Griffith Auditorium, Spruce Lodge.

2. Moment of Reflection

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

3. 2017 Warden's Election

1. Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, County Clerk chaired the meeting during the Warden's Election and introduced County Council.
2. Bert Vorstenbosch, President, Perth County Past Warden's Association, introduced the Past Wardens in attendance. A Past Warden Association 2016 pin was presented to Meredith Schneider for his 2016 term as head of council.
3. Meredith Schneider was the only member of County Council to declare his intention to seek the office of the Warden of Perth County for 2017, and as a result, there was no election. Jill Bellchamber-Glazier declared Meredith (Mert) Schneider as the Warden of Perth County for 2017.
4. Warden-elect Schneider took the Declaration of Office before County Clerk Jillene 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 2017 including the review of the Perth County Official Plan, working with Southern Ontario Manufacturing Alliance (SOMA) and the Perth 4 Youth Project, 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 Warden Schneider:
 - Matthew Rae, on behalf of Mr. John Nater, Member of Parliament, Perth-Wellington
 - Mayor Al Strathdee on behalf of the Town of St Marys
 - Councillor Kathy Vassilakos, on behalf of the City of Stratford

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier read greetings from Randy Pettapiece, Member of Provincial Parliament, for Perth-Wellington who was unable to attend the meeting at that time.

County Council recessed at 9:25 AM.

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

County Council reconvened at 10:05 AM with Warden Schneider as Chair.

5. Confirmation of the Agenda

2016-408

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT the Council Agenda for the December 1, 2016 meeting be approved with the following changes:

9.4.1 Acute Stroke Bypass and Medical Redirect for Southwest Ontario Regional Stroke Centre Memorandum of Understanding be deferred;

Carried

6. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None Declared

7. Consent Agenda

2016-409

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor McMillan

THAT the Consent Agenda Items 7.1 to 7.5 are received for information and the minutes of the November 17, 2016 Regular Council Meeting be adopted;

Carried

7.1 Perth County Council - November 17, 2016 - Regular Minutes

7.2 Huron Healthcare Alliance - November 3, 2016 - Meeting Highlights

- 7.3 Maitland Valley Conservation Authority - October 19, 2016 - Board of Directors Minutes**
- 7.4 County of Perth Land Division Committee - October 31, 2016 - Draft Regular Minutes**
- 7.5 Age Friendly Communities Steering Committee - February 29, 2016 - Regular Minutes**

8. Public Meetings, Public Hearings and Delegations

Mr. Randy Pettapiece, Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) for Perth-Wellington, is now present and brought greetings to Perth County Council and congratulations to Warden Schneider for the 2017 term of council.

8.1 Residential Hospice - A Huron Perth Solution

Andy Werner and Anne Fontana, Co-Chairs, Stratford Perth Residential Hospice Steering Committee provided Council a presentation requesting financial support for a capital campaign for a residential hospice in Stratford.

The request for financial support will be considered by council during the budget deliberations.

Randy Pettapiece, MPP Perth-Wellington is now absent.

9. Staff Reports

9.1 Planning and Development – No Reports

9.2 Chief Administrative Officer

9.2.1 Foreign Direct Investment Strategy

Meredith Forget, Economic Development Coordinator reviewed the report and was available for questions.

Lyndon Ashton, Senior Consultant, MDB Insight reviewed a power point presentation and provided information on the Perth County Foreign Direct Investment Strategy Final Report.

2016-410

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Perth County Council receives the Foreign Direct Investment Strategy – (CAO 2016) report as information;

Carried

9.2.2 Tourism Status and Options

2016-411

Moved By: Councillor Ehgoetz

Seconded By: Councillor Eidt

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Tourism Status and Options – CAO-2016” report;

Carried

9.2.3 Appointment to Boards and Committees for 2017

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier reviewed the 2016 representations on the various boards and committees. Councillors identified which committees and boards they would like to serve in 2017, as identified in the table below:

2017 Committees and Boards Appointments - DRAFT

COMMITTEE/ BOARD	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER
Spruce Lodge Board	Aitcheson	Ehgoetz			
Perth District Health Unit	Dowd	Schneider	Wilhelm		
Stratford-Perth Museum	Eidt				
Joint Accessibility	Dowd				
Municipal Liaison	Dowd	Schneider	Wilhelm		
Land Division	Aitcheson	Ehgoetz	Eidt	McKenzie	Schneider
Perth County Drug Strategy Task Force	Wilhelm				

2016-412

Moved By: Councillor McKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Committee and Board Appointments for 2017" report; and

THAT council direct staff to prepare a by-law for December 15, 2016 to provide for the 2017 appointment of members to committees and boards;

Carried

9.2.4 Municipal Legislation Update

2016-413

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Municipal Legislation Update" report;

Carried

9.3 Corporate Services

9.3.1 Updated Draft Asset Management Plan

Corey Bridges, Deputy Treasurer reviewed the staff report and was available for questions. Gabe Metron, Regional Director, Senior Advisory, Public Sector Digest Inc., presented information to council and provided a power point presentation on financial matters and data collection related to the county's Asset Management Plan (AMP).

2016-414

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Dowd

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Updated Draft Asset Management Plan" report;

Carried

9.4 Emergency Services

9.4.1 Acute Stroke Bypass and Medical Redirect for Southwest Ontario Regional Stroke Centre Memorandum of Understanding (Phase 1 Implementation) –See Item 5 - Deferred

9.4.2 Monkton Fire Hall Standby Location for Paramedic Services

2016-415

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Kellum

THAT Perth County Council receives the “Monkton Fire Hall Standby Location for Paramedic Services – PS, 2016” report; and

THAT Council support the need for an Ambulance Post in Monkton; and

THAT Council send a letter to North Perth Council expressing interest in negotiating leased space in the future Monkton Fire Station for an Ambulance Post;

Carried

9.5 Public Works – No Reports

County Council recessed at 12:00 Noon for Lunch.

County Council resumed at 1:00 PM

17. Closed Session Meeting and Reporting Out

2016-416

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council move into Closed Session at 1:00 PM in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c. 25 (as amended) to consider:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employee;

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

Specifically, the Closed Session business relates to legal advice related to the Perth County Visitor's Association;

Carried

Council returned to open session at 2:02 PM.

Reporting out of Closed Session:

2016- 417

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Eidt

THAT resolution 2012-415 is amended to strike out the following:

"THAT Perth County Council approve a ~~five-year~~ commitment to funding for the PCVA, including annual contributions of \$105,000 (2013), \$115,000 (2014) \$125,000 (2015) \$135,000 (2016) and ~~\$150,000 (2017)~~ subject to:

1. County Council appointed member participating on the PCVA Board of Directors;
2. PCVA focus on promotion of all businesses within the County beyond a membership based focus;

THAT Perth County Council approve the ~~5-year~~ work plan and budget for PCVA;"

Carried

2016-418

Moved By: Councillor Eidt

Seconded By: Councillor Behrns

THAT Perth County Council operate tourism as of January 1, 2017; and

THAT staff be directed to negotiate with Perth County Visitors Association (PCVA) the purchase of the following items; subject to the release of all securities on;

1. the visitperth.ca website domain name and content database
2. all existing PCVA contact databases; and

THAT staff be authorized to proceed with an open competition to recruit a permanent, full-time Tourism Specialist;

Carried

10. Correspondence

2016-419

Moved By: Councillor McKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor McMillan

THAT Correspondence Items 10.1 to 10.3 is received for information;

Carried

11. Council Reports

11.1 Warden's October 2016 Activity Report

201-420

Moved By: Councillor Dowd

Seconded By: Councillor Behrns

THAT Perth County Council receives the "Warden's October 2016 Activity Report" report, dated December 1, 2016 for information;

Carried

12. By-Laws – Item was deferred – See Item 5

DEFERRED - By-law 3566-2016 Being a By-law to Enter into an Agreement through Memorandum of Understanding with District Stroke Centre, Stratford General Hospital, Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance, County of Huron, Community Hospitals, and Huron County Paramedic Services for Acute Stroke Bypass and Medical Redirect (see item 9.4.1)

13. Notice of Motions - None

14. Other Business - None

15. Announcements

1. OPA Surplus Farmhouse Amendment

Allan Rothwell, Director of Planning and Development provided a verbal update advising that no appeals had been received during the appeal process for the OPA Surplus Farmhouse Amendment.

2. Perth County Agriculture Working Group – December 8, 2016 meeting

16. 2017 Budget Presentation - Capital Budget (Deferred to December 15 Council Meeting) http://www.perthcounty.ca/financial_reports

Renato Pullia noted that the January 5, 2017 Council meeting is intended to focus solely on the 2017 Budget.

18. Confirmatory By-Law

2016-421

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT By-law 3571-2016 Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its regular meeting held on December 1, 2016 be read a first, second and third time;

Carried

19. Adjournment

2016-422

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Eidt

THAT the meeting adjourn at 2:16 PM.

Carried

Meredith Schneider, Warden

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier, Clerk