

# The Corporation of the Township of Lucan Biddulph Council Minutes

**Present:** Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson, Deputy Mayor D. Manders, Councillor P. Mastorakos and Councillor A. Westman.

**Also Present:** R. Reymer-CAO/Clerk, P. Smith-Manager of Parks & Recreation, T. Loyens-Deputy Treasurer, M. Bancroft-Senior Planner, D. Kester-Public Works Manager and L. deBoer-EDO

## **Call To Order**

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

## **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & Nature Thereof**

None.

## **Presentations**

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson welcomed and presented J. Riddell on behalf of the Council and Staff with an appreciation gift for his 40 years of employment with the Township of Lucan Biddulph. Mayor Cathy noted that this municipality cannot thank him enough for his dedication to our community and for his continuous commitment for ensuring that our Water, Sewer and Roads are safe for everyone in the Township.

## **1/ In-Camera Session**

*Moved by A. Westman*

*Seconded by D. Manders*

*Resolved that Council adjourn to Committee of the Whole in camera at 6:35 pm in regards to two personnel matters matter with R. Reymer remaining.*

CARRIED

## **2/ Rise from In-Camera Session**

*Moved by A. Westman*

*Seconded by D. Manders*

*Resolved that the Committee of the Whole in camera does now rise and Council reconvene at 7:18 p.m.*

CARRIED

## **3/ Direction from In-Camera Session**

*Moved by D. Manders*

*Seconded by A. Westman*

*THAT Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph hereby directs the CAO to renew the contract for the Economic Development & Communications Officer position as presented.*

CARRIED

## **Delegations & Petitions**

### **OCWA**

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson welcomed R. Dupuis from OCWA to present the Lucan & Granton 4th Quarter Operational Reports and highlighted any unusual tests, alarms and inspections. Discussion arose regarding regulatory inspection schedule and the recent tour of the Granton & Lucan treatment facilities.

### **Ontario Provincial Police**

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson welcomed Inspector D. Croker to the meeting and congratulated him on his new position as Inspector for the Middlesex County Department. Inspector Croker

provided a Policing Report of the Middlesex County OPP detachment and highlighted the Call for Service Stats from 2018 with comparisons to 2017. Councillor P. Mastorakos inquired about the Lucan Detachment and out sourcing the policing service. Inspector Croker noted that it is his goal to provide the best service to Middlesex County as possible and that he has no intentions of removing the Lucan Detachment. He further commented that he would like to continue to work with the communities and welcomes any feedback if there are issues. Deputy Mayor D. Manders inquired about video camera use with the officers and Inspector Croker said that they do not have this in their cars or on the officers at this time. Discussion also arose regarding impairment by drugs and how the OPP are dealing with the new regulations. Inspector Croker thanked Council for the opportunity to meet with them today and looks forward to continuing to collaborate on community events.

Councillor Mastorakos asked if the OPP undertake a risk assessment for the Baconfest event? Inspector Croker indicated that the OPP prepares and monitors certain groups that have a tendency to attend these events and they also undertake an annual operational plan that includes a risk assessment.

#### **4/ Minutes**

*Moved by A. Westman*

*Seconded by D. Manders*

*That the regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2019 and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of January 15th and 26th, 2019 be approved as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

#### **Communications Reports**

##### *Source Water Protection Request*

R. Reymer received a request from Source Water Protection to reappoint I. Brebner to the Committee and that Mr. Brebner is willing to remain on the committee. R. Reymer noted that he is a joint representative from other additional municipalities as well. There was general support to continue with Mr. Brebner.

##### *ABCA*

ABCA has released it's spring tree order form and Council directed D. Kester to prepare a report regarding options to participate in the tree order for 2019.

##### *Development Charges & Housing Affordability Consultations*

R. Reymer highlighted the information from Watson & Associates regarding Development Charges & Housing Affordability Consultations that the Ministry held recently.

##### *MLHU Larvicide Program*

R. Reymer noted that this is an annual request from the Health Unit and a motion will be brought forward for the next Council meeting.

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson brought forward the AMCTO paper on Local government priorities for 2019 and encouraged Council to read over the paper.

L. deBoer was directed to post on social media and website that the ABCA is now accepting nominations for the Conservationist of the Year award.

#### **Committee Reports**

##### *Bluewater Recycling*

Deputy Mayor D. Manders noted that the Board met in January with the new representatives and that it was a brief introductory meeting.

##### *Lake Huron Water Board*

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson reported that their first meeting since the elections was short and that she was appointed as Chair for a two-year term.

##### *ABCA*

Councillor A. Westman has attended the UTRCA orientation and is awaiting a date for the

ABCA Orientation meeting.

*Parks & Recreation*

P. Smith included the last meeting minutes for Council's review and explained that it was an effective meeting with the review of the latest revised renovation plans for the Community Centre. The Committee also discussed fundraising and they have agreed to bring in a presenter on how to develop a fundraising plan for the renovation project and how the committee would move forward with that. The committee also discussed the idea of creating a memorial wall in the Community Centre.

*Canada Day*

L. deBoer reported that a grant of \$5000 was received from Heritage Canada for our 2019 Canada Day Celebrations.

**Staff Reports**

*CAO/Clerk*

R. Reymer presented a draft of the *Council Conference, Workshop and Training Policy* and explained that staff are not looking for approval at this meeting but provided this as a start for discussions. Any comments to be forwarded to R. Reymer or T. Merner. R. Reymer also reported on the recent ROMA Conference delegations with the Ministry of Transportation and Minister of Infrastructure. R. Reymer noted that he will be meeting this week with County CAO'S to discuss shared services and joint health and purchasing plans.

*Finance*

T. Loyens announced that tax bills are being mailed out this week

*Public Works*

D. Kester presented a revised Stop Sign By-law for approval and noted if members notice an intersection not on the list it would be due to the County being the authority on that corner. Deputy Mayor D. Manders inquired about proceeding with projects and tendering while we wait for the OMPF announcement and D. Kester noted that engineering was carried forward from last year for Marlene Street so that part can move forward but he would like to hold back on tendering. Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson requested an update on our Water contract from Jacob's and if we are on target for what we are spending. D. Kester reported that Jacob's will be at the next Council meeting to present and that he will review the contract and numbers for that meeting.

*Parks & Recreation*

P. Smith provided the revised drawings for Phase 2 for the Lucan Community Memorial Centre to Council members and noted that the PRAC have reviewed them and were well received.

P. Smith highlighted the recent revisions to Phase 2.

*Economic Development & Communications*

L. deBoer presented her updated report on Baconfest 2019 and the proposal for Council/CEDC to acquire the organization of the evening concert event. Staff and the Mayor recently met with members of the Lion's Club to discuss the proposal and they are in favour of this new direction and agreed to continue their partnership in running the bar portion of the concert. L. deBoer highlighted the costs involved in the concert and asked for direction from Council if they would like to take over the management of the concert. Discussion arose regarding liability, staffing, additional costs and risks.

Councillor Mastorakos voiced his concern with the Baconfest events in regards to legal liability and financial risks and noted that the costs don't include staff time spent the day of the event. In his opinion, there was not enough due diligence or alternatives presented.

**Councillor's Comments**

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson relayed Councillor D. Regan's comments from the recent facility tours and congratulated staff on the great job of keeping our facilities in great shape and for staff's work during the recent snow fall.

**5/ Baconfest**

*Moved by D. Manders*

*Seconded by A. Westman*

*That the Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph agrees to assume the management of the evening concert event for Baconfest 2019 and that an additional \$40,000 be allocated to the 2019 Baconfest budget.*

CARRIED

**6/ By-Laws**

*Moved by A. Westman*

*Seconded by P. Mastorakos*

*That if no one cares to speak to these By-laws on their First, Second and Third Reading, that they be considered to have been read a First time and Passed, read a Second time and Passed, read a Third time and Passed, that they be numbered:*

- *11-2019 Through Highway Stop Signs*
- *12-2019 Confirming*

CARRIED

**7/ Adjournment**

*Moved by P. Mastorakos*

*Seconded A. Westman*

*Resolved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 10:07 p.m.*

CARRIED

  
MAYOR

  
CLERK