

The Corporation of the Township of Lucan Biddulph Council Minutes

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

Also Present: R. Reymer-CAO/Clerk, D. Kester-Manager of Public Works, P. Smith-Parks & Recreation Manager, T. Merner-Deputy Clerk, K. Langendyk-Treasurer

Call To Order

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & Nature Thereof

None.

1/ Minutes

Moved by D. Regan

Seconded by A. Westman

That the regular Council Minutes of May 7, 2019 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Communications Reports

R. Reymer advised that he and Senior Planner, M. Bancroft will be attending the Thames Valley District School Board Annual Community Planning and Facility Collaboration Opportunities Meeting on June 13th.

R. Reymer noted the request received from Lucan Legion Branch 540 and advised that staff would send a letter to them advising we have no objections to their proposed extended liquor license area during the annual Baconfest celebrations.

Councillor D. Regan commented on the resolutions included in the communications package regarding the provincial cuts made to library services noting how significant this will be to this service across Ontario. He further asked staff if a resolution could be prepared on behalf of Lucan Biddulph recognizing the significant effect this will have on communities?

Committee Reports

CEDC

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson advised that the historical mural located on the BMO wall was unveiled last Friday and great feedback has been received.

Bluewater Recycling Association

Deputy Mayor D. Manders advised discussions have been taking place about the future of recycling and how different it is going to be going forward with full producer responsibility.

Lake Huron Water Supply System

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson advised she participated in the London-Middlesex Children's Water Festival which took place at Fanshawe Conservation Area May 14-17. She noted this is a great educational event with hands-on activities for children to learn about water conservation.

Parks & Recreation

P. Smith advised the Parks and Recreation Committee (PRAC) committee met recently and discussed a few topics including the rollerskating "Roll into Summer" event scheduled for June 1st and potential partnership for trillium grant application for bike/skatepark relocation. He

further noted some local volunteers have added water to the community dog park and thanked DLC Contracting and Hayden water wells for donating their time and materials.

Staff Reports

CAO

R. Reymer discussed his report regarding review of Township policies which recommended that a committee be established consisting of the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor, CAO and department managers. He noted this would give each department a chance to provide input and prioritize the order of policies to be reviewed and/or implemented.

R. Reymer discussed the fire investigation services and advised that the proposal from the County did not proceed the way the majority of the lower tier municipalities had hoped. He noted that Middlesex Centre and Strathroy-Caradoc had different recommendations. Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson explained that the County has been providing this service for approximately 20 years, however under the Municipal Act it is the responsibility of the lower-tier municipality. A recent resolution prepared by the County would have transferred this service to the upper-tier level, however not all municipalities were in favour. The end result is that all lower tiers have until June 15th to come up with an alternative "supplier" for fire inspection services.

R. Reymer advised that a meeting took place with BM Ross Engineers last week regarding the assessment of potential future settlement lands in Lucan. He further advised Matt Pearson will be attending on June 4th to present to council along with Steve Burns who will present the proposed Lucan Sanitary Sewage Treatment plant expansion.

R. Reymer advised he and T. Merner met with Morgan Calvert, the head of I.T. of the County of Middlesex regarding implementation of the laserfiche program (electronic digital filing system) and an estimate of the cost. He advised this is a good time to implement the program having received funds from the province towards making efficiencies in municipalities. He further noted that M. Calvert suggested we could use the County's server instead of replacing our own server which would save costs.

Finance

K. Langendyk advised the auditor is here assisting this week and we should have 2018 final budget to actual numbers for next council meeting.

Public Works

D. Kester gave an update regarding the Nagle Drive watermain extension project and advised the MTO requires an encroachment permit to run the waterline within the road allowance. The stipulations imposed by the MTO with the encroachment permit will increase the costs significantly, therefore we are currently exploring alternative avenues such as an easement over private lands.

D. Kester advised due to the wet spring we have experienced many residents have not had the opportunity to work at yard clean-up therefore as per a few requests received would recommend extending the timeframe of the green waste bins. He further noted there has been less waste than usual for this time of year. Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson suggested the end date be extended to June 17th.

D. Kester advised the Kleinfeldt and Marlene Street project will be starting the end of this week and the timeframe for the total project is an estimated 35 working days.

Parks & Recreation

P. Smith advised that it would be appropriate to defer the decision of the professional fundraiser to the next meeting to give council a time to review the presentations given earlier tonight. He further noted he would forward the cost estimates provided by each company to council by email.

Councillor's Comments

Councillor A. Westman reminded council and staff of the upcoming events in Granton on June 8th and noted the Fish Fry is almost sold out.

2/ In-Camera Session

Moved by D. Manders

Seconded by D. Regan

Resolved that Council adjourn to Committee of the Whole in camera at 9:05 pm in regards to a potential sale of a lot at the Township Industrial Park Subdivision with R. Reymer, D. Kester and T. Merner remaining.

CARRIED

3/ Rise from In-Camera Session

Moved by P. Mastorakos

Seconded by D. Regan

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole in camera does now rise and Council reconvene at 9:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Report from In-Camera

Staff was given direction regarding the potential sale of 1030 Heenan Court of the Industrial Park.

4/ Policy Review Committee

Moved by A. Westman

Seconded by D. Regan

Resolved that the council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph directs staff to create a Policy Review Committee consisting of the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor as well as all department heads, the Deputy Clerk and CAO, to meet on a regular basis to review all Township policies, establish priorities and bring forth for Council approval of appropriate updated policies on a priority basis.

CARRIED

5/ By-Laws

Moved by A. Westman

Seconded by D. Manders

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:

- 31-2019 Confirming Bylaw

CARRIED

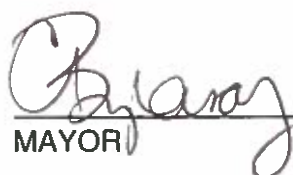
6/ Adjournment


Moved by D. Regan

Seconded D. Manders

Resolved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

CARRIED


MAYOR


CLERK