

MINUTES
OF THE
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION
OF THE
COUNTY OF OXFORD

County Council Chamber
Woodstock
March 8, 2006

MEETING #8

Oxford County Council meets in regular session this eighth day of March 2006, in the Council Chamber, County Building, Woodstock.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

9:32 a.m., with Warden Woolcott in the chair.

All members of Council present except Councillors Hayes, Nadalin and Talbot.

Councillor Nadalin arrives at 9:38 a.m.

Staff Present: K. J. Whiteford, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
M. R. Bragg, Director of Public Health and Emergency Services
L. S. Buchner, Director of Corporate Services
J. L. Hill, Corporate Manager of Community and Strategic Planning
J. Kubiak, Corporate Manager of Human Resources
A. C. Orvidas, Director of Social Services and Housing
R. G. Walton, Director of Public Works

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO. 1:

Moved by: Paul Holbrough
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That the Agenda and Additional Agenda be approved.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

NIL

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Council Minutes of February 22, 2006

RESOLUTION NO. 2:

Moved by: Paul Holbrough
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That the Council Minutes of February 22, 2006 be adopted, as amended, by adding the following sentence directly before Resolution No. 9, "It should be noted that Report No. C-3 2006-49 from the Community and Strategic Planning Office does not contain a copy of Zoning By-law No. 15-06 of the Township of Zorra".

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

RESOLUTION NO. 3:

Moved by: Paul Holbrough
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That Council rise and go into a public meeting pursuant to Section 51(20) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for draft approval of a plan of subdivision, and that the Warden chair the public meeting.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (9:35 a.m.)

1. Application for Draft Approval of a Plan of Subdivision
- 32T-05007 – 2007557 Ontario Inc. and 2072627 Ontario Inc.
Part Lot 9, Plan 1624 in the City of Woodstock – located north of Devonshire Avenue, east of Lansdowne Avenue

The Chair asks J. Hill, Corporate Manager of Community and Strategic Planning, to highlight the nature of this application. J. Hill explains that the subject property is located in the northeast part of the City, north of Devonshire Avenue and east of Lansdowne Avenue. The proponents are seeking approval for the development of 108 lots for single-detached dwellings. The lands will be developed on full municipal services and will be accessed by extensions of the existing street network in the area. The subject property has an area of 9.3 hectares (23 acres) and the lands are currently occupied by various buildings associated with the previous farm operation. These buildings are in various stages of being demolished.

J. Hill goes on to explain that the proposed plan of subdivision does conform with the policies of the Official Plan as well as the Provincial Policy Statement. No objections have been raised as a result of the agency circulation, although a number of proposed conditions of draft plan approval have been noted. At the City of Woodstock Council meeting on the evening of March 2nd, Council adopted a resolution recommending that the County Council approve the plan of subdivision.

J. Hill concludes by mentioning that there will be a report on the March 22nd agenda of County Council recommending the full draft plan approval of this subdivision based on the review conducted by the Planning Office.

The Chair asks if there is anyone in attendance wishing to speak in favour of the application. No one indicates such intent.

The Chair asks if there is anyone in attendance wishing to speak in opposition to the application. No one indicates such intent.

The Chair asks if any members of Council have questions for J. Hill or other staff. No questions are forthcoming.

RESOLUTION NO. 4:

Moved by: Paul Holbrough
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That Council adjourn the public meeting and reconvene as Oxford County Council with the Warden in the chair.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (9:38 a.m.)

C-1 2006-67
Re: Draft Approval of a Residential Plan of Subdivision
- 32T-05007 – 2007557 Ontario Inc. and 2072627 Ontario Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 5:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendations contained in Report No. C-1 2006-67, titled "Draft Approval of a Residential Plan of Subdivision – 32T-05007 – 2007557 Ontario Inc. and 2072627 Ontario Inc.", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendations Contained in Report No. C-1 2006-67:

It is recommended that Oxford County Council hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 51(20) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for draft approval of a plan of subdivision;

It is further recommended that Oxford County Council, at its regular meeting of March 22, 2006, consider draft plan approval to a proposed subdivision submitted by 2007557 Ontario Inc. and 2072627 Ontario Inc. (File No. 32T-05007) and prepared by J.B. Chambers Consulting Engineers Ltd. dated December 20, 2005 and revised February 6, 2006, shown on Plate 1 of Report No. C-1 2006-67 and comprising Part Lot 9, Compiled Plan 1624 in the former Township of Blandford, now in the City of Woodstock, subject to the conditions included in Report No. C-1 2006-67.

6. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Carla Nell, Vice President, Tax Policy
Peter Frise, Senior Consultant, Tax Policy
Municipal Tax Equity
Re: 2006 Tax Policy Study

Carla Nell begins her presentation by circulating copies of a handout, outlining the content of her 57 screen PowerPoint presentation to Council. The PowerPoint presentation details the 2006 Tax Policy Study completed for the County of Oxford. C. Nell reminds Council of the various decisions that have to be made by both the County and area municipalities on an annual basis. Apportionment of the tax burden, both within and between tax classes, must now be revisited annually through the examination of reassessment related tax impacts, tax ratio relationships, capping dynamics, tax tools and other tax policies.

There are a number of specific annual decisions that have to be tackled by Council, including the determination of tax ratios, the County's Rating By-law, optional capping tools, the treatment of new eligible construction properties and graduation (banding). The statutory deadline for all of the above decisions is April 30, 2006. Any decisions surrounding the adoption or deletion of optional tax classes must have been made by October 31, 2005. There are a number of other decisions with respect to tax policies that also must be made annually but are not subject to statutory deadlines. These decisions include optional tax tools such as phase-in programs, recovery methods for capping costs and other tax relief programs such as vacant units and charitable rebates.

C. Nell speaks briefly about tax policy development and the fact that each year municipalities should engage in a comprehensive study before making any tax policy decisions to ensure that any decisions or adopted policies have the desired effect. The impacts of reassessment cannot be understood through casual observation and many policy decisions can produce counter-intuitive results. C. Nell notes that her firm, Municipal Tax Equity, has prepared a comprehensive study for the County of Oxford which was circulated to the County and area municipalities on January 20th.

C. Nell then turns her attention to the agenda for today's presentation, noting that today's presentation will focus on the need to understand the impact of reassessment including changes in assessment and the quantification of tax shifts using revenue neutral tax rates. The presentation will also include an overview of 2006 municipal tax policy responsibility and options, as well as some comments on next steps in the 2006 property tax cycle.

A number of screens are presented under the subtitle of Understanding the Effects of Reassessment (assessment versus tax change). With respect to Oxford, C. Nell emphasizes that the overall assessment growth for 2005 was registered at 3.06% with "residential" averaging 3.39% and "farm" averaging -2.58%. Increases in assessment translate into \$1,224,704 in increased taxable revenue for County purposes. The assessment re-evaluation exercise also generated potential valuation increases for the County in the order of 8.69% with the residential class registering at 8.98%, farm at 9.91% and all industrial classes at 9.17%. The point is made that decisions made at the provincial, County and area municipal levels determine revenue levels and, therefore, reassessment does not necessarily affect revenue.

C. Nell emphasizes that tax impacts do not always parallel assessment change because variable tax rates are a feature of Ontario's property tax system. Not every dollar of assessment is treated equally due to the tax ratios which the County is responsible for establishing annually. C. Nell then goes on to explain the revenue neutral tax rates applicable to the County.

Under the sub-category of Quantification of Tax Shifts, C. Nell explains the inter-class shifts both at the County-wide and area municipal levels. She then goes on to describe the inter-municipal shifts which indicate percentage gains for Woodstock, East Zorra-Tavistock and Norwich and percentage decreases for the remaining municipalities. C. Nell stresses that not all taxpayers are experiencing assessment change at exactly the average class rate. Property specific impacts will depend on individual property change relative to the class average. A chart summarizing assessment change and tax effect on average properties is displayed and similar information is also displayed in graph form.

C. Nell addresses the provincial education tax rates. The Minister of Finance has announced an estimate of the 2006 uniform residential rate and the premise upon which the business education tax rates will be calculated. The uniform residential education rate has been adjusted from 0.296% to 0.264% in order to achieve a revenue neutral tax yield from these classes. Preliminary analysis indicates that this will result in a reduction of approximately \$455,800 or 2.7% in the education taxes being levied across the County. Tax rates for the business classes will be calculated so as to approximate revenue neutrality at the municipal level.

C. Nell then turns Council's attention to tax policy development, emphasizing that Council should begin the process with a discussion of local property tax philosophies and objectives. There are, however, certain mandatory tax policies that have to be addressed including the range of flexibility. Movement of tax ratios is under the discretion of the County and area municipalities and, by changing tax ratios, the municipality can influence reassessment-related tax shifts. C. Nell displays a chart showing the tax ratios and the provincial limits, the so-called range of fairness.

C. Nell then devotes a number of screens to presenting information on tax ratios, emphasizing that no one rate can change without having a consequential effect on other classes. The overall reluctance to adjust rates also stems from the fact that there is uncertainty about future reassessment impacts and restrictions on future ratio movement. A number of options, in chart form, are displayed. Tax ratio flexibility is described as C. Nell notes that in 2006 the Minister of Finance has once again invited applications from municipalities that would like higher revenue neutral transition ratios regulated. C. Nell also describes the capping options available to the County noting that the four options can be used on their own and may be applied differently to each capped class.

C. Nell goes on to emphasize the importance of the impact of reassessment on capping. Capping will be affected depending on the rate of market value increase or decrease. A chart showing the proforma capping results for the County with the 2005 actual compared to the 2006 status quo proforma is displayed. In a similar chart, the 2006 status quo is compared to an optional program. Mention is also made of the treatment of new construction noting that municipalities have the choice at the County and municipal level to phase out tax protection for new construction, which accelerates the movement to CVA, by means of an increasing "floor" on tax levels.

C. Nell also explains additional tax policies pertaining to phase-in, graduated taxation and optional classes. She concludes by talking about policy development strategy and next steps. The necessary 2006 tax policy needs to be prepared and rating by-laws dealing with tax ratios, tax rates and discounts for farm land awaiting development and vacant sub-classes of commercial and industrial need to be considered by Council. Other next steps include the area municipalities preparing their 2006 rating by-laws, the preparation of 2006 frozen tax listings and its reconciliation, review of capping anomalies, the preliminary/final capping calculations and the final tax billing for uncapped and capped classes.

At this point, the Warden asks if Council members have any questions for C. Nell.

Councillor Harding refers to Table 13 in Report No. A-2 2006-16, prepared by the Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer, which outlines 2006 multi-residential proforma capping results. Councillor Harding comments that he feels the cap should increase to 10%, since only forty-two cents of every dollar capped is retained by properties. He wonders how usual it is that the class experiences a negative net class impact. C. Nell responds that it is usual that protection is funded from within the class. Councillor Harding goes on to enquire whether we need to be committed to the CVA in doing so and C. Nell responds affirmatively.

Councillor Harding also asks whether the County can go in and out of capping and C. Nell indicates that some groups assert that this can happen, however, it does need provincial support. Councillor Harding also makes note of Table 15 in the same report, entitled "2006 Industrial Proforma Capping Results". He comments that reviewing this chart underscores the need to support some change with respect to multi-residential.

Councillor Harding notes that the education rate is carried by the Commercial and Industrial Classes at the rate of 46% and asks C. Nell for confirmation as to how these calculations are done. C. Nell agrees with Councillor Harding's method of doing this calculation. Councillor Harding goes on to ask C. Nell what explanation can be given to compare the industrial/commercial to other jurisdictions. C. Nell indicates that the County does rank high in both the industrial and commercial categories and that we could apply to the Ministry for education tax deductions, but there are a number of provisos that she cites in doing so which could provide a constraint to going in this direction.

Councillor Semeniuk refers to the fact that farm land is being hit very hard by reassessment and gives examples of how municipalities are dealing with this situation. He refers to Table 10 in the Report A-2 2006-16 where the sensitivity of County rates to tax rates to reduce the tax ratios by 5% is provided. As mentioned by Councillor Harding, the residential category would be significantly impacted if this direction is followed. C. Nell mentions that she cannot speak to the range of fairness, but a reduction in the tax ratios by 2.5% could be considered on a one-year basis only.

Councillor Semeniuk asks if whether the County can be specific to just one class and the answer is affirmative.

Councillor Semeniuk explores the phase-in options, stating that he is curious about them and questions their practicality. C. Nell indicates that they have been used in a very select number of circumstances.

Councillor Semeniuk enquires as to whether retaining the 5% cap is, in fact, doing a disservice to some of the property classes since they will be hit harder if market value is fully implemented. C. Nell responds and notes the fact that many municipalities are moving to 10% since the municipality is in a better position to move faster to the CVA destination with a greater degree of consistency.

Councillor Nadalin states that there is growing discontent in the new residential sectors of the City and wonders if there is any consideration being given to capping residential. C. Nell responds and

comments that this has been discussed, especially since numerous special interest groups are promoting this idea but the Province has not acted. In fact, this particular provincial government is moving away from capping all together.

Councillor McKay refers to the screen in C. Nell's presentation displaying the growth in the multi-residential class and wonders if this growth is accounted for by new development.

C. Nell responds, pointing out that this kind of increase could be caused by upgrades of existing development.

Councillor McKay also questions the decrease of 2.5% in the farmland category and C. Nell states that this could be caused by general growth in the County and the effect that subdivisions and other development has on farmland consumption.

As an observation, Councillor McKay notes that the \$1.2 million of increased tax revenue for the County, as displayed on one of C. Nell's screens dealing with assessment growth, is not just "found money". The County, in fact, could lighten the load on all taxpayers using these funds.

Councillor Molnar wonders if an electronic version of the original comprehensive study done by Municipal Tax Equity could, in fact, be distributed to Council and the answer is affirmative. Councillor Molnar also enquires as to the location of Appendix A and is informed that it is part of the comprehensive study.

Councillor Harding asks C. Nell to amplify the comments of the Treasurer, as found on page 6 of Report A-2 2006-16, pertaining to new construction where it states that the current status quo is not recommended. Councillor Harding wonders why this recommendation has come forth. C. Nell points out that there is also an option to accelerate the move to the CVA subject to criteria and for this reason it has not been uncommon to see these properties get dual benefits. This recommendation is consistent with the one to increase the option on the capped classes. L. Buchner also adds that the County made changes in 2005 on new construction as well.

Warden Woolcott observes that the present property tax system is premised on what has gone on in the City of Toronto over the years and, since the City of Toronto will soon be governed by its own legislation in terms of how it addresses property taxes, the County and all municipalities are paying the penalty. Small businesses are paying \$700 - \$800 more in taxes in order to solve the City of Toronto problem. C. Nell responds and confirms that the Warden's sentiments would be shared by many in the Province. Municipalities need to keep constantly articulating our position. She also points out that the Ontario Ombudsman is reviewing the property assessment system for the whole Province and it will be interesting to see what his recommendations are in the near future.

7. CONSIDERATION OF DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A-2 2006-16
Re: 2006 Tax Policy By-laws

RESOLUTION NO. 6:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-2 2006-16, titled "2006 Tax Policy By-laws", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. A-2 2006-16:

THAT Report No. A-2 2006-16 regarding 2006 Tax Policy By-laws be received for information;

AND THAT consideration of the following by-laws take place at the Council meeting scheduled for April 12, 2006:

- By-law to Set Tax Ratios;
- By-law to Set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Subclasses;
- By-law to Establish and Levy Tax Rates for Upper Tier Purposes;
- By-law to Establish Capping Calculation Options;
- By-law to Set a Lower Limit for Applying Tax to New Construction Properties;

AND THAT Council reaffirms the policy previously established by the following by-laws:

- By-law No. 4285-2003, being a by-law to provide a Financial Hardship Program; and
- By-law No. 4286-2003 being a by-law to provide Relief from Taxes or Amounts Paid on Account of Taxes on Eligible Property Occupied by Eligible Charities and Similar Organizations.

8. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reed Elliott
February 17, 2006
Re: Protection of Well Water

RESOLUTION NO. 7:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the correspondence from Reed Elliott, requesting information regarding the protection of well water for residents living in the quarry designated areas, be referred to the Community and Strategic Planning Office for a response.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

2. Town of Ingersoll
February 20, 2006
Re: Ingersoll Street Extension

RESOLUTION NO. 8:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the resolution from the Town of Ingersoll, petitioning the County to commence construction of the grade separation project, known as the Ingersoll Street Extension, with or without government funding in 2006, be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

3. Janet Wilkinson
Re: Protesting the Recently Announced Staff Cuts at Woodingford Lodge

RESOLUTION NO. 9:

Moved by: Steven Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the correspondence from Janet Wilkinson, protesting the recently announced staff cuts at Woodingford Lodge, be referred to the Operational Review Committee for the Committee's consideration and that the Committee report back to Council.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

4. Homestead Christian Care
March 1, 2006
Re: Per Diem Rate for Domiciliary Hostel

RESOLUTION NO. 10:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the correspondence from Homestead Christian Care, requesting the County to raise the daily per diem rate to \$41.20 which is consistent with neighbouring communities, be referred to the Department of Social Services and Housing for the preparation of a report.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. Mayor Stephen Molnar
Town of Tillsonburg
March 3, 2006
Re: Tillsonburg Application for CTP (Community Transition Program)

RESOLUTION NO. 11:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

Whereas, the Community Transition Program is a \$15 million fund established by the Province of Ontario to assist the tobacco growing communities of the Counties of Oxford, Elgin, Norfolk and Brant to move to a sustainable economic base, and

Whereas, the economic stability of the Town of Tillsonburg has been significantly impacted by the downturn in a once proud and viable rural tobacco industry, and

Whereas, the Municipal Act has allowed the County of Oxford, by way of a by-law in 2003 to "authorize" the Town of Tillsonburg to undertake certain responsibilities relative to economic development, and

Whereas, the terms of Tillsonburg's application for CTP funding are not in conflict with the County of Oxford's Economic Development Strategic Review,

Now Therefore, be it resolved that the County of Oxford by way of this resolution endorses the Town of Tillsonburg's application for partnership funding from the Community Transition Program, and

Further, that confirmation of this endorsement be forwarded to the Director of Finance of the Town of Tillsonburg for further distribution.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

6. Mayor Michael Harding
City of Woodstock
March 6, 2006
Re: South Norwich Servicing Study

RESOLUTION NO. 12:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the correspondence from Mayor Michael Harding, City of Woodstock, regarding the South Norwich Servicing Study, be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7. Tammy Cooper
March 7, 2006
Re: Use of All Terrain Vehicles on County Roads

RESOLUTION NO. 13:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the correspondence from Tammy Cooper, regarding the use of all terrain vehicles on County Roads, be considered during the discussion of Report No. D-2 2006-18.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

A CORPORATE SERVICES

- A-1 2006-15
Re: Debt Issue from Reserve Funds

RESOLUTION NO. 14:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the recommendations contained in Report No. A-1 2006-15, titled "Debt Issue from Reserve Funds", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendations Contained in Report No. A-1 2006-15:

THAT By-law No. 4656-2006, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing upon reserve funds in the amount of \$7,986.79 for the purposes of financing municipal drainage works for property owners in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim be presented to Council for enactment.

THAT By-law No. 4657-2006, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing upon reserve funds in the amount of \$8,018.81 for the purposes of financing municipal drainage works for property owners in the Township of Zorra, be presented to Council for enactment.

- A-2 2006-16
Re: 2006 Tax Policy By-laws

Report dealt with under Consideration of Delegations and Presentations.

B SOCIAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

B-1 2006-25
Re: ODSP Employment Supports

RESOLUTION NO. 15:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: Stephen Molnar

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-1 2006-25, titled "ODSP Employment Supports", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. B-1 2006-25:

That the Director of Social Services and Housing be authorized to post and hire a full-time caseworker to start June 1, 2006.

C COMMUNITY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

C-1 2006-67
Re: Draft Approval of a Residential Plan of Subdivision
- 32T-05007 – 2007557 Ontario Inc. and 2072627 Ontario Inc.

Report dealt with under Public Meetings.

D PUBLIC WORKS

D-1 2006-17
Re: Award of Operation of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Depots
in Woodstock and Tillsonburg

RESOLUTION NO. 16:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: Stephen Molnar

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-1 2006-17, titled "Award of Operation of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Depots in Woodstock and Tillsonburg", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-1 2006-17:

That the proposal for the operation and disposal of collected material from the household hazardous waste collection depots in Woodstock and Tillsonburg from Hotz Environmental Services Inc. be accepted at their submitted unit prices.

D-2 2006-18
Re: All Terrain Vehicle Use on County Roads

RESOLUTION NO. 17:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: Stephen Molnar

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-2 2006-18, titled "All Terrain Vehicle Use on County Roads", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-2 2006-18:

That County Council not allow the operation of all terrain vehicles on County of Oxford roads and that Ms. Tammy Cooper and the Ontario Federation of All Terrain Vehicles be notified of County Council's decision.

D-3 2006-19

Re: Water/Wastewater Facility Signing Policy

RESOLUTION NO. 18:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin

Seconded by: Stephen Molnar

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-3 2006-19, titled "Water/Wastewater Facility Signing Policy", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-3 2006-19:

That County Council authorize the Public Works Department to adopt a signing policy for County water and wastewater facilities as outlined in Report No. D-3 2006-19.

E HUMAN RESOURCES

NIL

F C.A.O./CLERK

NIL

G PUBLIC HEALTH AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

G-1 2006-05

Re: Enforcement Update – Tobacco Use Prevention Programme

RESOLUTION NO. 19:

Moved by: William Semeniuk

Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendation contained in Report No. G-1 2006-05, titled "Enforcement Update – Tobacco Use Prevention Programme", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. G-1 2006-05:

That County Council receive Report No. G-1 2006-05, a status report on the enforcement activities for the prevention of tobacco use in Oxford County, as information.

G-2 2006-06

Re: Sexually Transmitted Infections in Oxford County 1999 to 2003

RESOLUTION NO. 20:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendation contained in Report No. G-2 2006-06, titled "Sexually Transmitted Infections in Oxford County – 1999 to 2003", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. G-2 2006-06:

That County Council accept Report No. G-2 2006-06, Sexually Transmitted Infections in Oxford County from 1999-2003, as information.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NIL

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS:

NIL

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS:

RESOLUTION NO. 21:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

Whereas, the Thames Valley District School Board recently approved a draft five-year Capital Plan prepared by the Board's administration, and

Whereas, the Capital Plan has been submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval as the Board's submission to the Ministry's "Good Places to Learn – Renewing Ontario's Schools" program, and

Whereas, the School Board is currently discussing options for consulting with their stakeholders regarding the content of the Capital Plan,

Now Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the County of Oxford recommends to the School Board that Advisory Councils composed of stakeholders, including elected municipal representatives, be established for each County within the Board's jurisdiction as well as the City of London as a key means of seeking the input of all residents of the District.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Deputy Warden Holbrough enquires as to when County Council will be considering the change of the name of County Road No. 9 to Nadalin Road.

R. Walton, Director of Public Works, refers to a previous report presented to Council whereby the recommendation was that this matter be referred to the area municipality i.e. Township of South-West Oxford, since the County has no jurisdiction on the naming of roads. R. Walton comments that there has been no word from the Township of South-West Oxford as to what action they have taken regarding this request.

J. Kubiak, Corporate Manager of Human Resources, reminds Council that the Annual Service Awards presentation to employees will be occurring at the April 26th session of Council with a start time of 6:30 p.m. as opposed to the regular start time of 7:00 p.m.

At 12:08 p.m. Council recesses for lunch.

At 12:53 p.m. Council resumes with Warden Woolcott in the chair.

All members of Council present except Councillors Hayes, Nadalin and Talbot.

13. CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION NO. 22:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That Council rise and go into a Closed session for the purpose of considering Reports No. B-1 (CS) 2006-23, No. B-2 (CS) 2006-24, No. B-3 (CS) 2006-26, No. D-1 (CS) 2006-20, No. E-1 (CS) 2006-2 and No. E-2 (CS) 2006-3 regarding matters that have not been made public concerning personal matters about identifiable individuals, labour relations and property matters.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (12:53 p.m.)

RESOLUTION NO. 23:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That Council rise and reconvene in Open session.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (2:19 p.m.)

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION:

B SOCIAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

B-1 (CS) 2006-23

RESOLUTION NO. 24:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendations contained in Report No. B-1 (CS) 2006-23 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

B-2 (CS) 2006-24

RESOLUTION NO. 25:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-2 (CS) 2006-24 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

B-3 (CS) 2006-26

RESOLUTION NO. 26:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-3 (CS) 2006-26 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

D PUBLIC WORKS

D-1 (CS) 2006-20

RESOLUTION NO. 27:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That consideration of Report No. D-1 (CS) 2006-20 be deferred until the Council session of March 22, 2006 and that all materials distributed by proponents at the interviews be circulated to members of Council for review in the interim.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

E HUMAN RESOURCES

E-1 (CS) 2006-2

RESOLUTION NO. 28:

Moved by: Michael Harding
Seconded by: Don McKay

That the recommendation contained in Report No. E-1 (CS) 2006-2 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

E-2 (CS) 2006-3

RESOLUTION NO. 29:

Moved by: Michael Harding
Seconded by: Don McKay

That the recommendation contained in Report No. E-2 (CS) 2006-3 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

15. BY-LAWS:

BY-LAW NO. 4656-2006

Being a By-law of the County of Oxford to authorize the borrowing upon reserve funds in the amount of \$7,986.79 and imposing special annual levies upon Area Municipalities.

BY-LAW NO. 4657-2006

Being a By-law of the County of Oxford to authorize the borrowing upon reserve funds in the amount of \$8,018.81 and imposing special annual levies upon Area Municipalities.

BY-LAW NO. 4658-2006

Being a By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign the agreement attached to Report B-1 (CS) 2006-22.

BY-LAW NO. 4659-2006

Being a By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign a Capital Cost Recovery Agreement between the County of Oxford and Hydro One Networks Inc. for the new Thornton Tabor Water Treatment Facility.

RESOLUTION NO. 30:

Moved by: Michael Harding

Seconded by: Don McKay

That the following By-laws be now read a first and second time: No. 4656-2006, No. 4657-2006, No. 4658-2006 and No. 4659-2006.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 31:

Moved by: Michael Harding

Seconded by: Don McKay

That the following By-laws be now given third and final reading: No. 4656-2006, No. 4657-2006, No. 4658-2006 and No. 4659-2006.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Council adjourns its proceedings until the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

2:26 p.m.

Minutes adopted on March 22, 2006 by Resolution No. 2

WARDEN

CLERK