

**OXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Council Participants	Warden Larry Martin Deputy Warden Ted Comiskey Councillor Trevor Birtch Councillor David Mayberry Councillor Don McKay Councillor Stephen Molnar Councillor Mark Peterson Councillor Marcus Ryan Councillor Deborah Tait Councillor Sandra Talbot
Council Absent	n/a
Staff Participants	M. Duben, Chief Administrative Officer B. Addley, Director of Paramedic Services L. Buchner, Director of Corporate Services M. Cowan, Manager of Information Services M. Dager, Director of Woodingford Lodge G. Hough, Director of Community Planning C. Senior, Clerk D. Simpson, Director of Public Works A. Smith, Director of Human Resources

1. CALL TO ORDER

Oxford County Council meets electronically in regular session this twenty eighth day of April, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. with Warden Martin in the chair.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Moved By: Don McKay

Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that the 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

4.1 April 14, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Moved By: Mark Peterson

Seconded By: Stephen Molnar

Resolved that the Council minutes of April 14, 2021 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

NIL

6. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND CONSIDERATION THEREOF

NIL

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 CMHA Thames Valley Addiction & Mental Health Services

April 12, 2021

Re: Integration of Addiction Services of Thames Valley, CMHA Elgin Middlesex and CMHA Oxford

7.2 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

April 13, 2021

Re: Declaration of Provincial Emergency under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act and Amendments to the Reopening Act Ontario

7.3 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

April 17, 2021

Re: Enhanced Enforcement and New Order under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA)

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Moved By: Stephen Molnar

Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that correspondence items 7.1 to 7.3 on the Open meeting agenda of April 28, 2021 be received as information.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7.4 Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

April 27, 2021

Re: Town Hall Session for Strengthening Accountability for Municipal Council Members

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Moved By: Ted Comiskey

Seconded By: Stephen Molnar

Resolved that the correspondence from Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, dated April 27, 2021 regarding an online Town Hall session to be held June 8, 2021 regarding strengthening accountability for municipal council members be received;

And further, that Warden Larry Martin participate in the June 8, 2021 online Town Hall session on behalf of Oxford County Council.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

8.1 CORPORATE SERVICES

8.1.1 CS 2021-19 - Development Charges Annual Report - 2020

RECOMMENDATION

1. That County Council hereby receives Report No. CS 2021-19 prepared in accordance with Section 12 of O.Reg.82/98 of the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, and authorizes posting the report for public information.

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Sandra Talbot

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2021-19, titled "Development Charges Annual Report – 2020", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.2 WOODINGFORD LODGE

8.2.1 WDFL 2021-01 - Long-Term Care Homes Committee of Management

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Terms of Reference for a Committee of Management for Woodingford Lodge as attached to Report No. WDFL 2021-01 be approved;
2. And further, that the Council of the County of Oxford be designated as the Committee of Management for Woodingford Lodge to fulfill the requirement under Subsection 132 (1) of the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Moved By: Sandra Talbot

Seconded By: Trevor Birtch

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. WDFL 2021-01, titled "Long-Term Care Homes Committee of Management", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Pending Items

10. MOTIONS

NIL

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

11.1 Rural Wastewater Systems

Councillor Mayberry gives notice that he will move the following motion at the May 12, 2021 Council Meeting:

Whereas each of the rural wastewater systems have a unique history and operational considerations which results in individual financial implications for each system;

And whereas the fixed portion of the wastewater rates is intended to adequately fund a portion of the operating, lifecycle and future capital costs of each individual system as determined in the asset management plan;

And whereas the County Asset Management Plan is currently being updated which is expected to impact the annual contributions determined for each of the wastewater systems;

Therefore be it resolved, that the current individually rated system remain in place pending further discussion based on the updated Asset Management Plan to be presented to council.

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS

12.1 Councillor Mayberry

Councillor Mayberry congratulates the Woodstock Hospital on winning a national award for energy efficiency, indicating that their leadership has led them to being a very progressive hospital adding that they should be commended on their efforts with respect to renewable energy and conservation which are in line with the County's renewable energy and conservation goals.

12.2 Ben Addley, Director of Paramedic Services

B. Addley provides an update on Oxford County Paramedic Services' efforts and continued response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

B. Addley indicates that Paramedic Services has been a key front line partner in the fight against COVID-19 in support of Southwestern Public Health and other healthcare partners since the beginning of the outbreak. He indicates that programs relating to mobile community COVID-19 testing are ongoing, having performed over 16,000 tests in support of Southwestern Public Health. B. Addley also indicates that the Community Paramedicine program is also ongoing which supports high-risk individuals in their homes such as those suffering from chronic disease and palliative care patients to the extent of over 700 visits to 197 different patients.

B. Addley indicates that Paramedic Services is also a key partner with Southwestern Public Health in the delivery of COVID-19 vaccinations with a mindset to improve availability of the vaccine throughout the County, indicating that Paramedics have delivered over 1,700 vaccines to homebound patients, congregate living settings, retirement homes and some shelters in the community. In addition to the above, Paramedic Services is working in partnership with the Town of Tillsonburg and Southwestern Public Health on a mass immunization clinic in Tillsonburg where Paramedics are administering the vaccine. They expect to deliver 300 vaccines per day beginning the week of May 3, 2021.

In closing, B. Addley indicates that one of highest pressures COVID-19 has created on the healthcare system across the province is related to hospital capacities. More specifically on Intensive Care Unit capacities throughout the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). As part of the province's response to this issue, they have implemented an Incident Management System (IMS) Transfer Strategy to begin to disperse the capacity of hospitals across Ontario which includes hundreds of patients being moved from the GTA to hospitals in the southwestern region, including some of our local hospitals. Oxford County Paramedic Services have been assisting with those transfers.

Warden Martin opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. There are none.

12.3 Councillor Molnar

Councillor Molnar, on behalf of himself and the citizens of the Town of Tillsonburg thanks Oxford County staff for their contributions with respect to a fire at a multi- storey residential apartment building in Tillsonburg on April 18, 2021. Councillor Molnar indicates that the leadership, professionalism and assistance demonstrated by all of those involved including the CAO, Warden, Human Services and Paramedic Services staff was much appreciated. Councillor Molnar also speaks to the passion and commitment demonstrated by all of the emergency services personnel who were in attendance. In closing, Councillor Molnar speaks to the level of partnership and demonstration of the valuable contributions Oxford County provided to the residents during this incident.

Warden Martin opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. There are none.

12.4 Mark Dager, Director of Woodingford Lodge

M. Dager provides an update on Woodingford Lodge's efforts and continued response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

M. Dager indicates that as of today, 80% of all staff and 94% of residents and essential caregivers have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19. M. Dager commends the Paramedic Services Team for their assistance with the swabbing process throughout the pandemic.

In closing, M. Dager indicates that the Tillsonburg site currently has one confirmed positive COVID case of the UK variant in the home and that staff are working very diligently in accordance with Southwestern Public Health guidelines, mitigating all risks in ensuring that the swabbing protocols have been completed for all residents and that isolation measures are maintained. M. Dager indicates that this case does not classify as an outbreak as the standard for outbreak has been reclassified as beyond two individuals.

Warden Martin opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. M. Dager responds to comments and questions from Deputy Warden Comiskey.

13. CLOSED SESSION

NIL

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

NIL

15. BY-LAWS

15.1 By-law No. 6341-2021

Being a By-Law to remove certain lands from Part Lot Control.

15.2 By-law No. 6342-2021

Being a By-Law to remove certain lands from Part Lot Control.

15.3 By-law No. 6343-2021

Being a By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council of the County of Oxford at the meeting at which this By-law is passed.

Proposed Resolutions:

Resolved that the following By-laws be now read a first and second time: 6341-2021 to 6343-2021 inclusive.

Resolved that the following By-laws be now given a third and final reading: 6341-2021 to 6343-2021 inclusive.

RESOLUTION NO. 7

Moved By: Trevor Birtch

Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the following By-laws be now read a first and second time: 6341-2021 to 6343-2021 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Moved By: Deborah Tait

Seconded By: Ted Comiskey

Resolved that the following By-laws be now given a third and final reading: 6341-2021 to 6343-2021 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourns its proceedings at 7:36 p.m. until the next meeting scheduled for May 12, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes adopted on _____ by Resolution No. _____.

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CLERK