

Minutes of a special meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Middlesex Centre held this date at the Municipal Office, Coldstream at 8:30 a.m.

### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Edmondson  
Deputy Mayor Bannister  
Councillor Filson  
Councillor Brennan  
Councillor Bloomfield  
Councillor Ritchie  
Councillor Berze

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Cathy Saunders	Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
Maureen Looby	Manager, Public Works & Engineering
Jim McConnell	Manager, Planning & Development Services
Greg Watterton	Treasurer/Acting Manager of Recreation and Facility Services
Marc Bancroft	Senior Planner

Mayor Edmondson presided.

The special meeting of Council was called to consider and approve the designated Projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and to consider the request from the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority for a letter of support to the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada to seek funding for the construction of a new Administration Building.

The reporter from the Middlesex Banner was in attendance.

### **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None were disclosed by any of the members.

### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None were disclosed by any of the members.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **1. CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

##### **1.1 Clerk**

##### **1.1.1 Report No. CAO026/09 – Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Projects**

Members of Council discussed the three projects being recommended by staff for application purposes. A question was raised as to whether the applications can be prioritized. The Manager of Public Works and Engineering, Maureen Looby indicated that the application process does not provide for the prioritization of projects. Concern was raised that perhaps only one application should be submitted to ensure the best possible opportunity for approval. After further discussion it was the consensus of the members that all three projects be submitted for consideration.

Resolution # 2009/086

Moved by Frank Berze

Seconded by Clare Bloomfield

THAT Report Number CAOC023/09, dated April 22, 2009 and entitled "Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Projects", be received.

THAT Council designates the Denfield Operations Centre, the Delaware Operations Centre and the Filson Bridge as its projects for applications for funding under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund.

- Carried -

1.1.2 Discussion – Correspondence from the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Regarding the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund

Councillor Berze provided an overview of a meeting he recently attended regarding this matter. Members of Council discussed the merits of providing a letter of support for the Administration Building, noting that ultimately the member municipalities will likely be responsible for funding the Project. The members of Council noted that supporting the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority in its efforts to obtain funding under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund would not jeopardize the Municipality's ability to apply for funding.

It was the consensus of Council that a letter supporting the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Administration Building be submitted to the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada. Councillor Ritchie suggested that the letter emphasize that the Administrative Building is regional in nature serving a number of municipalities and the resulting cooperation that occurs amongst those municipalities.

Resolution # 2009/087

Moved by Albert Bannister

Seconded by Brian Ritchie

THAT staff be directed to prepare and submit a Letter of Support for funding requests for the proposed Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Administration Building to the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada.

- Carried -

**CONFIRMING BY-LAW**1. Resolution # 2009/088

Moved by Clare Bloomfield

Seconded by Albert Bannister

THAT By-law Number 2009-034 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on April 27, 2009 be approved and that this constitutes the first, second and third reading and By-law Number 2009-034 is hereby enacted.

- Carried -

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, this meeting of Council adjourned at 9:05 a.m. to meet again on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK