



## **Municipal Liaison Committee**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, September 21, 2017 – 1:30 p.m.**

**City Hall Annex (Avon Room), 82 Erie Street, Stratford ON**

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## **MINUTES**

*Where appropriate, motions contained in the Municipal Liaison Committee Minutes are considered recommendations to the affected municipalities.*

### **Committee Members Present:**

Mayor Dan Mathieson, City of Stratford - Chair  
Councillor Tom Clifford, City of Stratford  
Councillor Bonnie Henderson, City of Stratford  
Warden Mert Schneider, County of Perth  
Councillor Robert Wilhelm, County of Perth  
Councillor Helen Dowd, County of Perth  
Councillor Tony Winter, Town of St. Marys  
Mayor Al Strathdee, Town of St. Marys

### **Staff Present:**

Renato Pullia, CAO – County of Perth  
Betty Jo Belton, Archivist – County of Perth  
Linda Becker, Provincial Offences Coordinator, County of Perth  
Brent Kittmer, CAO/Clerk – Town of St. Marys  
Linda Rockwood, Director of Paramedic Services, County of Perth  
Rob Horne, CAO, City of Stratford  
Carole Desmeules, Director of Social Services, City of Stratford  
Casey Riehl, Recording Secretary – City of Stratford

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Municipal Liaison Committee with quorum present was called to order by Committee Chair, Mayor Dan Mathieson at 1:30 p.m.

- 2.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**  
None declared.

**3.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion by Councillor Winter, seconded by Councillor Wilhelm**  
**THAT the Committee Agenda for September 21, 2017 be approved;** Carried

**4.0 ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES – May 18, 2017**

**Motion by Mayor Strathdee, seconded by Councillor Dowd**  
**THAT the Municipal Liaison Committee minutes dated May 18, 2017**  
**be adopted as printed;** Carried

**5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**  
None.

**6.0 SOCIAL SERVICES – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report dated September 21, 2017**  
Carole Desmeules, Director of Social Services reviewed the report and was available for questions.

**Motion by Councillor Clifford, seconded by Councillor Henderson**  
**THAT the Social Services update dated September 21, 2017 be accepted**  
**as circulated;** Carried

**7.0 STRATFORD PERTH ARCHIVES – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report dated August 3, 2017**  
Betty Jo Belton – Archivist, County of Perth, reviewed the report and was available for questions. Ms. Belton congratulated the City of Stratford on their recent Communities in Bloom success.

**Motion by Warden Schneider, seconded by Councillor Wilhelm**  
**THAT the Stratford Perth Archives update dated August 3, 2017 be**  
**accepted as circulated;** Carried

**8.0 PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ADMINISTRATION – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report dated August 3, 2017**  
Linda Becker – Provincial Offences Coordinator, County of Perth, reviewed the report and was available for questions.

**Motion by Councillor Wilhelm, seconded by Warden Schneider  
THAT the Provincial Offences Administration report dated August 3,  
2017 be accepted as circulated;**

**Carried**

**9.0 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report dated August 3, 2017**

Linda Rockwood, Director of Paramedic Services – County of Perth, reviewed the report and was available for questions.

**Motion by Mayor Strathdee, seconded by Councillor Dowd  
THAT the Emergency Medical Services update dated August 3, 2017  
be accepted as circulated;**

**Carried**

**10.0 QUARTERLY MEETINGS – Proposed Change to 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in March, June, September and December each year.**

Committee members did not have an issue with the proposed new schedule. The next meeting of the MLC Committee will be the budget meeting in December.

**11.0 NEW BUSINESS:**

**(a) Signed Agreements – Warden Schneider**

Warden Schneider inquired if the CAO's were close to being ready to have the agreements signed. Rob Horne reported that the legal counsels are working diligently to get them completed. Warden Schneider is concerned it is taking lawyers so long. Mayor Mathieson stated he hears his concerns, but the lawyers are all looking out for the best interests of all parties concerned. Renato Pullia explained that there are continuing conversations regarding negotiations that County Council has now approved regarding the agreements being discussed, which will put the County in a position to bring some finality in the next week or so. Brent Kittmer stated that the CAO's agreed on a critical path to work towards having the agreements signed by the agreed upon date of September 29, 2017. Councillor Tony Winter stated that it is important that all three parties sign the agreements at the same time.

**(b) Accessibility at the Perth County Courthouse – Councillor Henderson**

Councillor Henderson has been contacted by a citizen who had difficulty trying to use the elevator at the courthouse as well as trying to get through the courtroom. There was not a clear path to get through and chairs needed to be moved out of the way. Linda Becker stated that the courthouse is accessible. You do require assistance to use the elevator. There is a procedure to follow for people to pass through the courtroom during a hearing. A staff member will hold up an accessibility sign and a court security officer will escort you through. Mayor Mathieson suggested that Councillor Henderson refer people directly to the

County, who is responsible for the building, and they can discuss and clearly explain how they can best assist them. Ms. Becker will also review accessibility with Julia Opie, Accessibility Co-ordinator.

**12.0 NEXT MEETING DATE: December 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m., County of Perth**

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Councillor Clifford, seconded by Councillor Wilhelm  
THAT the meeting adjourn.**

**Carried**

Time: 1:46 p.m.