

**THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH
COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL**

JANUARY 17TH, 2005

7:00 p.m. The meeting convened with His Worship, Mayor J. Kohler, presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Mayor J. Kohler

Alderman B. Aarts

C. Barwick

H. Chapman

T. Johnston

T. Shackelton

M. Turvey

D. Warden

Officials

W. Graves, City Clerk

W. Day, City Treasurer & Director of Finance

F. Lattanzio, Community Centres & Property Manager

R. Tucker, Parks Manager

J. Dewancker, Environmental Services Director

I. Andersen, Manager Of Operations

P. Hegler, Manager Engineering

G. Dart, Director Human Resources

M. Carroll, Valleyview Administrator

M. Sture, Supervisor, Roads and Transportation

T. Calvert, Constable

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSED SESSION

The Closed Session was held in Committee Room #204 and the minutes are located at the end of Regular Open Council Business.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Shackelton - Turvey:

THAT: The minutes of the meetings held on January 10th, 2005 be confirmed.

Carried.

DEPUTATIONS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Council resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Chairman B. Aarts

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Monthly Report St. Thomas - Elgin Community Centre/ Twin Pad Arena - Appendix "A"

Motion by Alderman Turvey - Johnston:

THAT: The December 2004 Monthly report for the St. Thomas-Elgin Community Centre/Twin Pad Arena be received.

Carried.

CITY CLERK _____ CONFIRMED _____ MAYOR _____

Valleyview Replacement - Monthly Report - Appendix "B"

Motion by Alderman Turvey - Chapman:

THAT: The Valleyview Replacement Report for the month ending November 30th, 2004 be received and filed as information.

Carried.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

PROTECTIVE SERVICES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – Chairman T. Shackelton

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Police Services Report

Constable Tanya Calvert, presented the Police Services Report for the month of December.

Airport Use Quarterly Report – Oct 1st to December 31st, 2004 - Appendix "C"

Motion by Alderman Kohler - Aarts:

THAT: The Airport Use Quarterly Report for October 1st to December 31st, 2004 be received and filed for information.

Carried.

New Year's Eve Transit Service - Appendix "D"

The members directed that this matter be deferred.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Alderman T. Shackelton chaired this portion of the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Street Naming - Draft Plan of Subdivision File #34T-04508 - Wyndfield Phase IV

Motion by Alderman Johnston - Turvey:

THAT: Two streets in Wyndfield Phase IV, Draft Plan of Subdivision File #34T-04508, be named "Kensington Court" and "Chamberlain Court".

Carried.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Alderman T. Shackelton chaired this portion of the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

St. Thomas Drinking Water System – Statutory Standard of Care Councillors Handbook
Appendix "E"

Motion by Alderman Turvey - Aarts:

THAT: The OMWA handbook (2004) for Councilors, Municipal Officials and others with Statutory Standard of care responsibilities for public water supply under the Safe Drinking Act be received for perusal by Council and Staff.

Carried.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

PERSONNEL & LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE – Chairman D. Warden

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Staffing Need for By-law Enforcement (Property Standards and Zoning) and Mandated Level of Service in Building Inspection Service - Appendix "F"

Motion by Alderman Shackelton – Johnston:

THAT: Report ES03-05 of the Manager of Engineering in respect to the need to hire a full time Assistant Building Inspector/Property Standards By-Law Enforcement Officer be received for information;

AND THAT: The hire of the Assistant Building Inspector/Property Standards By-law Enforcement Officer be considered for approval in the City's 2005 Operating Budget.

Carried.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE – Chairman C. Barwick

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Tree Removal/ Tree Trimming Report - Appendix "G"

Motion by Alderman Turvey - Shackelton:

THAT: In the absence of an approved 2005 Operating Budget, the initial cost of the 2005 tree removal and trimming program be limited to \$65,000;

AND THAT: The balance of the cost to complete the 2005 tree trimming and removal program in the amount of \$44,514.50 be considered during the City's 2005 Operating Budget deliberations.

Carried.

BUSINESS CONCLUDED

REPORTS PENDING

PARKING – HIGH STREET, SOUTH OF CHESTNUT STREET – M. Sture

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW 44-2000(REGULATION OF WATER SUPPLY IN THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS) - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. THOMAS ENERGY INC. (PROVISION OF WATER METER READING/BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICES) - J. Dewancker

ESDA SERVICING MASTER PLAN AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT - J. Dewancker

CITY CLERK _____ CONFIRMED _____ MAYOR

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND USE – P. Keenan

SAFETY ISSUES AND INTERSECTION CONCERNS – M. Sture

POWER CENTRE TRAFFIC CONTROL – M. Sture

CIVIL MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZATION – W. Graves

GAS TAX FUNDING SPENDING PROGRAM – M. Sture

POOL EXPENSES – W. Day

WELSH FAMILY – W. Day

DRIVEWAY RECONSTRUCTION – MAPLE STREET - J. Dewancker

REVIEW OF CITY BUS ROUTES – J. Dewancker

HIRING POLICIES – G. Dart

PROCLAMATIONS – W. Graves

COUNCIL

Council reconvened into regular session.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Planning and Development Committee – Chairman H. Chapman

Environmental Services Committee – Chairman M. Turvey

Personnel and Labour Relations Committee – Chairman D. Warden

Finance and Administration Committee – Chairman C. Barwick

Community and Social Services Committee – Chairman B. Aarts

Protective Services and Transportation Committee – Chairman T. Shackelton

Motion by Alderman Aarts - Warden:

THAT: The recommendations, directions and actions of Council in Committee of the Whole as recorded in the minutes of this date be confirmed, ratified and adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Concurrent Disorders Program - Resolution

Motion by Alderman Shackelton - Turvey:

THAT: The County of Elgin's resolution regarding the relocation of the Concurrent Disorders Program be endorsed.

Carried.

Land Ambulance Services

A copy of a letter addressed to the Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, from the County of Elgin was received requesting that the Ministry increase funding for land ambulance services.

CITY CLERK _____ CONFIRMED _____ MAYOR

Proclamation Activities

The members directed that this matter be deferred and that the City Clerk consult with the City Solicitor regarding proclamation activities.

Alzheimer Awareness Month - January 2005

Motion by Alderman Shackelton - Warden:

THAT: The Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas proclaim the month of January 2005 as “Alzheimer Awareness Month” in the City of St. Thomas.

Carried.

Guide/Scout Week - February 21st to 27th, 2005

Motion by Alderman Chapman - Aarts:

THAT: The Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas proclaim the week of February 21st to 27th, 2005 as “Guide/Scout Week” in the City of St. Thomas;

AND THAT: The Guide/Scout flag be flown at City Hall.

Carried.

Ontario Family Fishing Weekend

Motion by Alderman Shackelton - Warden:

THAT: The Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas proclaim the weekend of July 8th to 10th as “Ontario Family Fishing Weekend” in the City of St. Thomas.

Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Substation Committee - Appointment

Motion by Alderman Johnston - Chapman:

THAT: The following people be appointed to the Fire Substation Committee:

Alderman Shackelton
Alderman Barwick
Alderman Johnston

Carried.

BY-LAWS

Motion by Alderman Aarts - Turvey:

THAT: Leave be granted to bring in the following by-laws:

1. A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on the 17th day of January, 2005.
2. A by-law to amend By-Law 50-88, being the Zoning By-Law for the City of St. Thomas. (Street Reserves)
3. A by-law to adopt Interim Tax Levy rates.

4. A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Seal of the Corporation to a certain agreement between the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas and the Corporation of the Township of Southwold. (Use of Animal Control Shelter facility)

5. A by-law to authorize borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during fiscal year ending December 31, 2005.

6. A by-law to appoint Alderman Marie Turvey as Acting Mayor from January 28th to February 6th, 2005.

7. A by-law to amend By-Law 50-88, being the Zoning By-Law for the City of St. Thomas. (Removal of Holding Zone Provision - Part of Block 32, Plan 11M-110 - Draft Plan of Subdivision File #34T-04504 - Springwater Developments Inc.)

Carried.

First and Second Reading

Motion by Alderman Aarts - Turvey:

THAT: The by-laws be now read a first time, referred to Council in Committee to the Whole and read a second time.

Carried.

Alderman Barwick was appointed Chairman of Council in Committee of the Whole and conducted the second reading of the by-laws.

On motion duly moved and seconded, the Chairman was ordered to report on the passing of the by-laws. The Chairman reported as ordered and the Mayor resumed the Chair.

Third Reading

Motion by Alderman Aarts - Turvey:

THAT: The report of Council in the Committee of the Whole on the following by-laws be received and adopted, the same be read a third time, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered.

1. A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on the 17th day of January, 2005. (B/L 10-2005)

2. A by-law to amend By-Law 50-88, being the Zoning By-Law for the City of St. Thomas. (Street Reserves) (B/L 11-2005)

3. A by-law to adopt Interim Tax Levy rates. (B/L 12-2005)

4. A by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Seal of the Corporation to a certain agreement between the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas and the Corporation of the Township of Southwold. (Use of Animal Control Shelter facility) (B/L 13-2005) (A/G 4-2005)

5. A by-law to authorize borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during fiscal year ending December 31, 2005. (B/L 14-2005)

6. A by-law to appoint Alderman Marie Turvey as Acting Mayor from January 28th to February 6th, 2005. (B/L 15-2005)

7. A by-law to amend By-Law 50-88, being the Zoning By-Law for the City of St. Thomas. (Removal of Holding Zone Provision - Part of Block 32, Plan 11M-110 - Draft Plan of Subdivision File #34T-04504 - Springwater Developments Inc.) (B/L 16-2005)

Carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Draft Plan of Subdivision #34T-04510 – Joe Ostojic & Son Ltd; Doug Tarry Limited; and Faith Baptist Church - Block 4 Development Area - South of Southgate Parkway – 20 lots for single detached dwellings and 14 lots for semi-detached dwellings (28 units)

The public meeting will be held on February 14th, 2005 at 6:50 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

Sports Spectacular

Alderman Johnston reminded Council about the upcoming Sports Spectacular, a fundraiser for Special Olympics, to be held on January 27th, 2005.

NOTICES OF MOTION

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Johnston - Warden:

THAT: This meeting be closed to deal with a matter protected under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried.

OPEN SESSION

7:00 P.M. Council met in regular open session and at the conclusion of the open session the members again met in closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Turvey - Johnston:

THAT: Council do now adjourn to a Closed Session to deal with a personnel matter about an identifiable individual at 8:10 p.m.

Carried.

OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Alderman Johnston – Warden:

THAT: We do now rise and adjourn. (9:09 P.M.)

Carried.

CLOSING PRAYER