

The first regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of West Perth for the month of December 2011 was held in the Council Chambers at the West Perth Municipal Office on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Members of Council present:

Mayor Walter McKenzie  
Deputy Mayor Bill French  
Councillor Doug Eidt  
Councillor Barb MacLean  
Councillor Murray McIntosh  
Councillor Annamarie Murray  
Councillor John Nater  
Councillor Mike Tam  
Councillor Larry Wight  
Councillor Gordon Young

Members of Council absent:

Councillor Nicholas Vink

Members of Staff present:

CAO Will Jaques  
Clerk Susan Cronin  
Treasurer Karen McLagan (departed 8:16 p.m)

**1. Opening:**

Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

Additions/deletions to the agenda included the following:

Error

Section 6.1 – Planning Minutes- “Members of Council asked questions” should say “members of the Committee asked questions.

Section 11 – Environmental Services Committee minutes – Water and Sewer rate increase is to be effective January 1, 2012 not January 1, 2011.

Councillor Eidt declared a pecuniary interest with regards to Section 10.1 Accounts.

RESOLUTION: 657/11

Moved by Gordon Young

Seconded by John Nater

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth accepts the agenda as presented with the additions/deletions.

CARRIED

Media Coverage was provided by Hilary Long of the Mitchell Advocate and Charlie Maidment of Graham Television Productions

**3. Public Meeting:**

- 1) Engineer Chris Dietrich reviewed the report for the Branch “C” of the Gardiner Municipal Drain 2011. An information session was held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 where Mr. Dietrich was instructed to prepare the report. Appeals will be received 10 days before the Court of Revision.

RESOLUTION: 658/11

Moved by Barb MacLean

Seconded by Doug Eidt

THAT:

The council of the Municipality of West Perth accept the report as presented on Branch “C” of the Gardiner Municipal Drain 2011.

AND FURTHER THAT:

Tenders for the Branch "C" of the Gardiner Municipal Drain 2011 be received until January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 12:00 p.m.

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Court of Revision for the Branch "C" of the Gardiner Municipal Drain 2011 be set at 7:00 p.m. on Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

CARRIED

- 2) Engineer Chris Dietrich reviewed the report for the Burns Municipal Drain 2011. An information session was held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 where Mr. Dietrich was instructed to prepare the report. Appeals will be received 10 days after the Court of Revision

RESOLUTION: 659/11

Moved by: Annamarie Murray

Seconded by Doug Eidt

THAT: The Council of Municipality of West Perth accepts the report as presented on the Burns Municipal Drain 2011.

AND FURTHER THAT:

Tenders for the Burns Municipal Drain 2011 be received until January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 12:00 p.m.

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Court of Revision for the Burns Municipal Drain 2011 be set at 7:10 p.m. on Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

CARRIED

**4. Delegations and Petitions:**

- 1) Marvin Bublitz was in attendance. Reverend Bublitz spoke words of encouragement to members of Council for the upcoming year. As chair of the Board of Directors for the Ritz Lutheran Villa, Reverend Bublitz informed members of Council of the "Buy a Bed Campaign".

RESOLUTION: 660/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Larry Wight

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approves a donation to the Ritz Lutheran Villa fundraising campaign for a "Buy A Bed" in the amount of \$1450.00.

CARRIED

- 2) Ian Wilcox, General Manager of the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority, was in attendance. Mr. Wilcox reviewed the 2012 Preliminary Budget. Final approval is scheduled for February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 at the annual meeting. Members of Council asked questions.

**5. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings(s):**

RESOLUTION: 661/11

Moved by Larry Wight

Seconded by Bill French

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approves the minutes of the November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Public meeting and November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes: Administrative Secretary Position

RESOLUTION: 662/11

Moved by Mike Tam

Seconded by Doug Eidt

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approve the hiring of Ashley Matheson for the position of Temporary Administrative Secretary.

AND FURTHER THAT:

She will commence at Step 1 of the pay band with a 6 month probationary period commencing at the starting date of employment.

CARRIED

**6. Planning:**

RESOLUTION: 663/11

Moved by Mike Tam

Seconded by Murray McIntosh

THAT:

The Council of Municipality of West Perth approves the minutes of the November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Planning Advisory Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

**7. Drains: None**

**8. Correspondence for Council Direction:**

RESOLUTION: 664/11

Moved by Annamarie Murray

Seconded by Larry Wight

THAT:

The Council of Municipality of West Perth defers the request for financial support for the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Mitchell Optimist Music Festival to budget.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 665/11

Moved by Mike Tam

Seconded by Murray McIntosh

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth receives and files a request for support from the Town of East Gwillimbury.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 666/11

Moved by Larry Wight

Seconded by Bill French

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth defers the request for financial support from the Stratford General Hospital Foundation for the MRI Campaign to budget.

CARRIED

**9. Correspondence for Council's Information:**

RESOLUTION: 667/11

Moved by Barb MacLean

Seconded by Murray McIntosh

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth accept the correspondence not specifically dealt with included on the FOR COUNCIL'S INFORMATION AGENDA for information only.

CARRIED

**10. Presentation of Accounts:**

Councillor Eidt removed himself from discussion.

RESOLUTION: 668/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Gordon Young

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth pay the accounts dated November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in the amount of \$294.12.

CARRIED

Councillor Eidt resumed his seat.

RESOLUTION: 669/11

Moved by Larry Wight

Seconded by Gordon Young

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth pay the accounts dated November 29<sup>th</sup> – December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in the amount of \$760,465.67.

CARRIED

**11. Committee Reports:**

RESOLUTION: 670/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Larry Wight

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approves the minutes of the November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Seaforth & District Community Centres Management Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Murray reviewed the minutes of the Library Board minutes.

RESOLUTION: 671/11

Moved by Annamarie Murray

Seconded by Gordon Young

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approves the minutes of the November 22<sup>nd</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Library Board meeting as presented for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Nater reviewed the minutes of the Environmental Service Committee minutes. There was discussion regarding accepting wastewater again at the wastewater receiving station at the Mitchell sewage treatment plant. New policies and agreements have been developed that would better protect the municipality in the event that an unacceptable load of wastewater was delivered to the receiving station. A proposal from the Bluewater Recycling Association for West Perth to switch to an automated curb-side collection program was also discussed.

RESOLUTION: 672/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Doug Eidt

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth approve the recommendation of the Environmental Service Committee as follows:

That the water and sewer rates increase 10% starting January 1, 2012 and that the water and sewer rates continue to be reviewed annually thereafter. The existing and proposed rates are as shown below.

	Wastewater		Water	
	Existing Rate	10% increase	Existing Rate	10% increase
Urban- Monthly Charge				
Domestic	31.44	34.58	20.96	23.06
Commercial	41.36	45.50	27.57	30.33
Rural- Monthly Charge				
Domestic	39.74	43.71	26.49	29.14
Commercial	72.44	79.68	48.29	53.12
Residential Consumption (\$/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.95	1.05	0.63	0.69
Commercial Consumption –up to 135m <sup>3</sup> (\$/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.43	1.57	0.95	1.05
Commercial Consumption –after 135m <sup>3</sup> (\$/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.53	0.58	0.35	0.39
Residential Flat Rate	31.43	34.58		

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 673/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Barb MacLean

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth accepts the minutes of the November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Environmental Services Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Murray reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Community Beautification Committee minutes. Cathy Bieman of the Perth County Visitors Association attended their meeting.

RESOLUTION: 674/11

Moved by Annamarie Murray

Seconded by Mike Tam

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth accepts the minutes of the December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Tourism & Community Beautification Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

**12. By-laws:**

RESOLUTION: 675/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Gordon Young

THAT:

By-law No. 111-2011; Being a By-law for Tile Drain Loan, John and Joanne Wiles, Four Corners Poultry Ltd.

By-law No. 112-2011; Being a By-law for the appointment of members of Council to Committees 2012.

By-law No. 113-2011; Being a By-law to authorize an agreement with Mitchell Optimist and Stratford & Perth County Community Foundation for funding.

By-law No. 114-2011; Being a By-law to provide for a drainage works in the Municipality of West Perth for Branch "C" of the Gardiner Municipal Drain 2011, Hibbert Ward.

By-law No. 115-2011; Being a By-law to provide for a drainage works in the Municipality of West Perth for the Burns Municipal Drain, Hibbert Ward.

By-law No. Z137-2011; Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 100-1998 for property located at Part of Lot 4, Registered Plan No. 316, Hibbert Ward (Dublin) – Mitchell Seaforth Cable TV.

Be introduced, read or considered read a first and second time.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 676/11

Moved by Bill French

Seconded by Murray McIntosh

THAT:

By-law No. 111-2011; Being a By-law for Tile Drain Loan, John and Joanne Wiles, Four Corners Poultry Ltd; be read or considered read a third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 677/11

Moved by Larry Wight

Seconded by Annamarie Murray

THAT:

By-law No. 112-2011; Being a By-law for the appointment of members of Council to Committees 2012; be read or considered read a third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 678/11

Moved by Doug Eidt

Seconded by John Nater

THAT:

By-law No. 113-2011; Being a By-law to authorize an agreement with Mitchell Optimist and Stratford & Perth County Community Foundation for funding; be read or considered read a third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 679/11

Moved by Murray McIntosh

Seconded by Barb MacLean

THAT:

By-law No. Z137-2011; Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 100-1998 for property located at Part of Lot 4, Registered Plan No. 316, Hibbert Ward (Dublin) – Mitchell Seaforth Cable TV; be read or considered read a third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

**13. Unfinished Business:** none

- 14. New Business:** Deputy Mayor French brought forth a request for a report on the feasibility of security cameras for the Lions Park. CAO Jaques is directed to contact police regarding Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design CPTED.

RESOLUTION: 680/11

Moved by Larry Wight

Seconded by Gordon Young

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth direct staff to present a detailed report on the installation and use of security cameras at the Lions Park.

CARRIED

**15. Status of Reports:**

- RED – nothing to report
- Centennial Park Fountain – Committee to be formed in the 2012

**16. Notices of Motion:** None**17. Questions from the Press:** None**18. Closed to the Public Session:**

RESOLUTION: 681/11

Moved by John Nater

Seconded by Murray McIntosh

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth continue the meeting in a Closed Session at 8:56 p.m. to discuss the following:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including but not clearly limited to employees of the municipality; Executive Minutes.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 682/11

Moved by Bill French

Seconded by Annamarie Murray

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth resumes the regular Council meeting at 9:20 p.m.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 683/11

Moved by Murray McIntosh

Seconded by Barb MacLean

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth accepts the minutes of the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 Executive Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

**19. Adjournment:**

RESOLUTION: 684/11

Moved by Mike Tam

Seconded by John Nater

THAT:

By-law No.116-2011; being a By-law to confirm generally previous actions of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Perth; be introduced, read or considered read a first, second, be read or considered read a third time, finally passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 685/11

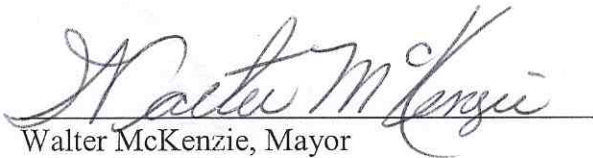
Moved by Larry Wight


Seconded by Mike Tam

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of West Perth adjourn the Council meeting at 9:53 p.m.

CARRIED

  
Walter McKenzie, Mayor

  
Susan Cronin, Clerk