The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Dawn-Euphemia met for the inaugural and regular sessions of Council on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers with Mayor Alan Broad, Councillors Bill Bilton, Leslea Williams, Jason Meyer and Paul LeBoeuf in attendance.

Staff present:  Administrator-Clerk:  Michael Schnare  
Treasurer:  Brad Fox  
Public Works Superintendent: Paul Dalton  
Fire Chief: David Williams

INAUGURAL MEETING

The Administrator-Clerk opened the inaugural meeting at 11:00 a.m. by welcoming those present and summarizing the agenda for the meeting. He acknowledged the presence of Mayor Vance Blackmore from the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex, Mayor Kevin Marriott from the Township of Enniskillen, Mayor Steve Arnold from the Township of St. Clair and Mayor Lonnie Napper from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming.

The Administrator-Clerk administered the declarations of Office for the Mayor and Councillors. Reverend John Maroney delivered the invocation and prayer.

Mayor Broad advised that the appointment of the Deputy Mayor for the term of Council will be moved to the regular meeting for consideration.

Mayor Broad and Councillors Bilton and Williams each made statements. Reverend John Maroney gave the grace prior to adjourning for lunch at the Fire hall.

The inaugural session was adjourned at the hour of 11:30 a.m. to reconvene in regular session following a luncheon.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Broad called the regular meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Broad asked Council members to declare any pecuniary interest at the appropriate time.

DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

DELEGATIONS (Concerning items on the December 1, 2014 Agenda)

There were no delegations concerning items on the December 1, 2014 Agenda.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Minutes of the November 17, 2014 Regular Session of Council and the November 24, 2014, Special Session of Council

   Motion # 1   Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by J. Meyer

   That the minutes of the November 17, 2014 Regular Session of Council and the November 24, 2014 Special Session of Council be approved as presented.  Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

1. Official Plan

   Councillor Bilton asked whether the adopted Official Plan had been forwarded to the County for approval. The Administrator-Clerk advised that the Official Plan record was delivered to the County last week. The County will now circulate the Official Plan to agencies for comment.

STAFF REPORTS

1. Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Agreement

   Motion # 2   Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by B. Bilton
That Council receive report Fin 14-12-1, dated December 1, 2014 regarding the OCIF Formula Based Funding Agreement and authorizes the Mayor and the Treasurer to execute all required agreements, documents and related matters respecting project OCIF FC-0448.

Carried

ADMINISTRATOR-CLERK'S REPORTS

1. Committee of Adjustment Appointments

Motion # 3 Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by B. Bilton

Council receives the report dated December 1, 2014, regarding Council appointments to the Committee of Adjustment and agrees to consider a By-Law to appoint all members of Council to the Committee of Adjustment for 2015.

Carried

2. Council Committee Appointments

Motion # 4 Moved by J. Meyer / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf

Council receives the report dated December 1, 2014 regarding Council Committee appointments and agrees to make the following appointments: Bluewater Recycling-Councillor Meyer; Emergency Management Program Committee-Mayor Broad and Councillor Williams; Inwood and Brooke-Alvinston Fire Board-Councillor Bilton; St. Clair Region Conservation Authority-Mayor Broad; Greenwood Recreation Committee-Councillor Williams; Recreation Facilities Advisory Committee-Councillor LeBoeuf; Florence Wastewater EA Project Committee-Councillors Bilton and Meyer; Court of Revision and Property Standards Committee- all members of Council and directs the Administrator-Clerk to draft an appropriate by-law for Council's consideration on December 15, 2014.

Carried

3. Citizen Appointments to Committees

Motion # 5 Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by J. Meyer

Council receives the report dated December 1, 2014 regarding Committee appointments and agrees to extend the term of the present Livestock Valuers until January 31, 2015; and further directs the Administrator-Clerk to advertise for committee appointments and invite applications from interested persons and current committee members.

4. 2014 Municipal Election Update

Motion # 6 Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf

Council receives and files the report dated December 1, 2014, updating Council on the 2014 Municipal Election and directs staff to bring back a report to Council within two years concerning alternatives for reducing the number of polls in the Township.

Carried

5. Winter Maintenance Agreement-County Roads

Motion # 7 Moved by B. Bilton / Seconded by L. Williams

Council receives the report dated December 1, 2014, regarding an agreement with the County of Lambton for winter maintenance on certain County Roads and directs the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Agreement providing compensation based on a rate of $2,500 per kilometer.

Carried

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

A revised payment voucher was provided to Council that included the 4th quarter levies.

Motion # 8 Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by J. Meyer

That revised Payment Voucher # 23-2014, in the amount of $1,326,425.55 be approved for payment.

Carried
OLD BUSINESS

1. Christmas Cards for Canadian Soldiers
Councillor Williams reported that she recently spoke with the principal at the Dawn-Euphemia School who advised that the grade 4-8 students had prepared Christmas cards to send to Canadian soldiers. Councillor Williams suggested that the Township could assist by making our courier services available to the school.

2. Elliot Smith-Royal Winter Fair Champion
Councillor Williams reported that Elliot Smith of Dawn-Euphemia and his purebred Speckled Park Prairie Lily were recently named champions of their class at the Royal Winter Fair and asked that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Elliot.

3. 2015 Ontario Government Pre-Budget Consultations
Councillor Williams reported that the Ontario Government Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs will be meeting in January 2015, to conduct pre-budget consultations and recommended that Council make an oral presentation in London. Council asked the Administrator-Clerk to advise the Clerk of the Committee that Council would like to make an oral presentation in London, the week of January 26, 2015, and further asked the Treasurer to prepare a presentation for Council’s consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

1. St. Clair Region Conservation Authority-2015 Proposed Budget

Motion # 9
Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf

That Council receives the St. Clair Region Authority-2015 proposed budget and refers the proposed budget to staff for a report in January, 2015.

Carried

2. Deputy Mayor Appointment
Mayor Broad asked the Administrator-Clerk to briefly outline the process for Council to consider changes to the Procedural By-Law to provide a method to break a tie. The Administrator-Clerk advised that the Procedural By-Law provides that any member of Council can give a notice of intent to introduce a motion at the next meeting of Council to make a change in the Procedural By-Law.

Councillor LeBoeuf gave notice of his intent to introduce a motion at the next meeting of Council to consider a change to the Procedural By-Law to provide a method to break a tie.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion # 10
Moved by B. Bilton / Seconded by L. Williams

That correspondence items 1a and d and 2a-k be received and filed and that Council supports correspondence item 1b-Township of Carling resolution respecting OPP billing for Unorganized Townships and Item 1f-Appointment of representative to the Bluewater Recycling Association Board, and that Council refers correspondence item 1c-delegations at OGRA/ROMA conference to the December 15, regular meeting and item 1e-grant request from the Lambton 4H Association to budget deliberations.

Carried

COUNCILLOR / COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. St. Clair Region Conservation Authority Meeting Highlights-November 13, 2014

2. Bluewater Recycling Association-November, 2014 Meeting Highlights

Motion # 11
Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf


Carried
OTHER BUSINESS

1. Parsons-Florence Wastewater EA

The Administrator-Clerk advised Council that Parsons will be attending the December 15, 2014, regular Council meeting to discuss the status of the Florence Wastewater EA project.

CLOSED MEETING

There was no closed meeting scheduled.

NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

BY-LAWS

1. Bentpath line Drain Drainage Works by-Law (Third Reading of By-Law 34 of 2013)

2. Beatty Drain Branch No. 2 Drainage Works By-Law (Third Reading of By-law Number 37 of 2013)

3. By-law to Amend and Levy the Actual Cost of various Drainage Works (Bentpath Line Drain & Beatty Br. #2 Drain) (Proposed By-Law Number 57 of 2014)

4. By-Law to Appoint a Committee of Adjustment (Proposed By-Law Number 58 of 2014)

5. Confirming By-law (Proposed By-Law Number 59 of 2014)

Motion # 12  Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by B. Bilton
That By-law Numbers 34 and 37 of 2013 be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried

Motion # 13  Moved by L. Williams / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf
That By-law Numbers 57 to 59 of 2014 be taken as read a first and second time. Carried

Motion # 14  Moved by B. Bilton / Seconded by P. LeBoeuf
That By-law Numbers 57 to 59 of 2014 be taken as read a third time and finally passed. Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion # 15  Moved by J. Meyer / Seconded by L. Williams
That this regular session of Council be hereby adjourned at this hour of 2:45 p.m. to meet again in Regular Session on December 15, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried

THESE MINUTES ADOPTED THE 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014

Mayor                  Administrator-Clerk