

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF NEWBURY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025
6:00 pm
Council Chambers



Council: Reeve Diane Brewer
Councillor Kevin Derbyshire (arrived at 7:00 pm)
Councillor Clyde Harris
Councillor Russell Patton

Regrets: Councillor Randy Smith

Staff: Cathy Case, Clerk-Treasurer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act requires any member of Council to declare a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof; and, where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the Act.

Councillor Patton declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7.8, Accounts Listing, specifically items 40 and 61.7 as he is the owner of the company.

3. TIMED EVENTS

6:00 PM Charles Colhoun, 29 York Street

Mr. Colhoun did not attend the meeting.

4. COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held on December 9, 2024 were reviewed.

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held on December 9, 2024 be approved as circulated." – Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. CORRESPONDENCE**NON-ACTION CORRESPONDENCE**

- 6.1 County of Middlesex – Middlesex County Council Meeting Highlights December 10, 2024
- 6.2 County of Middlesex – Brian Ropp elected Warden
- 6.3 County of Middlesex – Special Public Meeting of County Council to consider updates to County Official Plan, Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 3:00 pm (in person or virtual)
- 6.4 County of Middlesex – Notice of Intention to Pass a Woodlands Conservation By-law, Tuesday, January 14, 2025 (draft by-law available on request)
- 6.5 Ministry of the Solicitor General – appointment of Graham McGregor as the Associate Minister of Auto Theft and Bail Reform
- 6.6 Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs – introduction of the proposed Municipal Accountability Act, 2024
- 6.7 LAS – LAS Natural Gas Program-2022-23 Period Reserve Fund Rebate (Village received \$69.96)
- 6.8 Thank you from FCHS Foundation for donation

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

“RESOLVED THAT Council receive and file correspondence items 6.1 to 6.8.” – Carried.

7. STAFF REPORTS**7.1 Fire**

Fire Chief Trethewey did not attend the meeting

- i) Training Update
- ii) Firefighter Recruitment
- iii) Firehall Flooring Replacement Project

iv) Fire Protection Grant

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Fire Protection Grant allocated to the Village and authorize the signing of the funding agreement; and that the Clerk-Treasurer work with the Fire Chief to prioritize projects approved in the agreement." – Carried.

7.2 Building Services

The Building Services Report for December 2024 was reviewed.

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Building Services Report for December 2024 as submitted by the Clerk-Treasurer." – Carried.

7.3 By-law Enforcement

The By-law Enforcement Report for December 2024 was reviewed.

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council accept the By-law Enforcement Report for December 2024 as submitted by the By-law Enforcement Officer." – Carried.

7.4 Animal Control

The Humane Society London Middlesex has not submitted the Q4 report.

7.5 Water

i) DWQMS

ii) Tri-County Water Board of Management Meeting

Council received the Agenda from December 17, 2024 Tri-County Water Board Management Meeting and Minutes from November 19, 2024 meeting and the 2025 Tri-County Budget.

7.6 Sewer

7.7 Administration

- i) Confirm 2025 Council Meeting Dates

Council will meet on February 11, 2025 as scheduled.

- ii) Limerick Landfill Closure

The Clerk-Treasurer gave a verbal update on the Limerick Landfill Closure. Based on information received prior to the meeting, the contract for the physical closure work came in under the engineer's estimate.

7.8 Financial

- i) Accounts Listing

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Reeve Brewer

"RESOLVED THAT Council approve the accounts in the amount of \$141,469.74 as presented." – Carried.

- ii) Financial Report

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council accept the financial report as circulated." – Carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Council Member Business (Each council member is given the opportunity to bring new business to the table.)

Councillor Patton advised of concern for safety at intersection of Concession Road and Hagerty Road. There have been several reports of near collisions at this intersection.

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of Newbury request that an assessment for safety concerns, hazards and driver distractions at the intersection of Concession Drive and Hagerty Road be conducted by the County of Middlesex immediately and that corrective action under the County jurisdiction be carried out as soon as possible." – Carried.

Councillor Harris expressed concern over the cost of sludge removal and disposal from the sewer treatment plant.

8.2 Other

Glenn Thompson of 4 Tucker Street attended the meeting at 7:00 pm. Council agreed to allow Mr. Thompson to speak at the meeting without an appointment. Mr. Thompson wanted to advise Council of a water situation in his yard. His property has flooded several times over the last few years. There is a private drain into the catch basin on the boulevard at his property. Councillor Patton advised that the catch basin was investigated last fall. The plan is to investigate and determine the status of the drainage system along Broadway Street to the outlet at Robinson Drain this spring. Council will update Mr. Thompson once this work has been completed as to options for private drainage.

9. CLOSED SESSION

There is no closed session.

10. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

11. BY-LAWS

11.1 By-law No. 01-25, being a by-law to provide for Interim Tax Levies for the Year 2025

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 01-25, being a by-law to provide for Interim Tax Levies for the Year 2025 for the Village of Newbury be given first, second and third reading this 14 day of January, 2025." – Carried.

11.2 By-law No. 02-25, being a by-law to authorize a Servicing Agreement for 1838 Coltsfoot Drive

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 02-25, being a by-law to authorize a Servicing Agreement for 1838 Coltsfoot Drive be given first, second and third reading this 14 day of January, 2025." – Carried.

11.3 By-law No. 03-25, being a by-law to authorize an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for Fire Protection Grant

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 03-25, being a by-law to authorise an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for Fire Protection Grant be given first, second and third reading this 14 day of January, 2025." – Carried.

11.4 By-law No. 04-25, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 04-25, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury be given first, second and third reading this 14 day of January, 2025." – Carried.

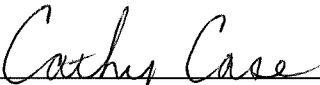
12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

"RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn at 7:30 pm." – Carried.


REEVE DIANE BREWER


CLERK-TREASURER CATHY CASE