



Township of St. Clair

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 1, 2026 @ 3:00 PM
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER
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3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST
4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - 4.1. Regular Council Meeting - May 19, 2026
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 - 6.2. Memo from the Office of the Assistant Deputy Attorney General - "Bring-Your-Own" Event Permits
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7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND STAFF
 - 7.1. Deputy Treasurer Report - Vendor Invoices & RBC VISA Charges
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 - 7.2. Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Report - Fire Services May Report
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 - 7.3. Director of Public Works Report - Guaranteed Maximum Price for the WWTP Expansion Project
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 - 7.4. Director of Public Works Report - 2026 United Way BBQ
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- 7.5. **Coordinator of Operations (Works) Report** - Implosive Connectors –
Hydro Tower Line
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8. DRAINAGE BY-LAWS

- 8.1. By-Law 7 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Whitebread Tap Drain Amending
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- 8.2. By-Law 8 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Drains Amending
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9. BY-LAWS

- 9.1. By-Law 31 of 2026 - Joint Compliance Audit Committee
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- 9.2. By-Law 32 of 2026 - Confirming By-Law
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10. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

11. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 11.1. Regular Meeting - Session 11 - June 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm
- 11.2. Regular Meeting - Session 12 - July 13, 2026 at 3:00 pm
- 11.3. Regular Meeting - Session 13 - August 10, 2026 at 3:00 pm

12. ADJOURNMENT



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

3:00 PM - Monday, June 1, 2026
Council Chambers

The Regular Council of the Township of St. Clair was called to order on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 3:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Councillor Bill Myers, Councillor Cathy Langis, Councillor Holly Foster, Mayor Jeff Agar, Councillor Pat Brown, Deputy Mayor Steve Miller CAO John Rodey, and Clerk Jeff Baranek

EXCUSED: Councillor Brad Langstaff

1. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting is being streamed live through the St. Clair Township Website. By attending a public meeting of Council you are consenting to your image, voice and comments being recorded and published to the Township website.

Anyone who is invited to speak will be recorded and their voice, image and comments will form part of the live stream and public record.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We acknowledge that this land on which we are gathered today is part of the ancestral land of the Chippewa, Odawa, and Potawatomi peoples, referred to collectively as the Anishinaabeg. It is through the connection of the Anishinaabeg with the spirit of the land, water and air that we recognize their unique cultures, traditions, and values. Together as treaty people, we have a shared responsibility to act with respect for the environment that sustains all life, protecting the future for those generations to come.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Council Meeting - May 19, 2026

Motion 1

Cathy Langis made a motion - Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held May 19, 2026 be received and approved. Holly Foster seconded the motion. CARRIED.

5. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

5.1 Request to Enforce the Sign By-Law

Motion 2

Steve Miller made a motion - Be it resolved that the request to have the Sign By-Law enforced be received. Bill Myers seconded the motion. CARRIED

Motion 3

Pat Brown made a motion - Be it resolved that staff be directed to enforce the removal of advertisement signs posted on Township boulevards and on local hydro poles. Holly Foster seconded the motion. MOTION LOST

Motion 4

Pat Brown made a motion - Be it resolved that staff be directed to review the current sign and report on potential improvements which would regulate what kind of advertising signs and be installed on Township property, and limiting their duration. Bill Myers seconded the motion. CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 St Clair Region Conservation Authority - April Meeting Highlights

Motion 5

Holly Foster made a motion - Be it resolved that the following information items be received:

6.1 - St Clair Region Conservation Authority - April Meeting Highlights

6.2 - Memo from the Office of the Assistant Deputy Attorney General - "Bring-Your-Own" Event Permits

6.3 - Building Permit Comparison - April 2026 Bill Myers seconded the motion. CARRIED.

Motion 6

Cathy Langis made a motion - Be it resolved that a letter of opposition regarding the creation of 9 regional conservation authorities and the structure of a new administrative and governance framework, be submitted to the St Clair Region Conservation Authority. Bill Myers seconded the motion. CARRIED.

6.2 Memo from the Office of the Assistant Deputy Attorney General - "Bring-Your-Own" Event Permits

Motion 7

Holly Foster made a motion - Be it resolved that the memo from the office of the Assistant Deputy Attorney General regarding "Bring-Your-Own" event permits be received and filed. Cathy Langis seconded the motion. CARRIED.

6.3 Building Permit Comparison - April 2026

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND STAFF

7.1 Deputy Treasurer Report - Vendor Invoices & RBC VISA Charges

Motion 8

Steve Miller made a motion - Be it resolved that the Vendor Invoices and RBC VISA Charges report submitted by Deputy Treasurer Eric Hicks be received and that the included invoices for the period of April 26, 2026, to May 25, 2026, totaling \$3,850,985.36; and RBC Visa charges for the period April 16, 2026, to May 15, 2026, totaling \$33,234.52 be approved. Pat Brown seconded the motion. CARRIED.

7.2 Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Report - Fire Services May Report

Motion 9

Cathy Langis made a motion - Be it resolved that the May Fire Department report submitted by the Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Richard Boyes, be received as information. Pat Brown seconded the motion. CARRIED.

7.3 Director of Public Works Report - Guaranteed Maximum Price for the WWTP Expansion Project

Motion 10

Cathy Langis made a motion Be it resolved that the Courtright WWTP Expansion GMP report submitted by Director of Public Works Brian Black be received as information; and that a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) be considered for construction of the Courtright Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion at \$48,945,175.00 (not including design costs) and a Lump Sum Price at \$48,320,175.00 (not including design costs).
Holly Foster seconded the motion. CARRIED.

Motion 11

Steve Miller made a motion - Be it resolved that the Guaranteed Maximum Price option in the amount of 48,945,175.00 be chosen for the construction of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the GMP Finalization Change Order. Pat Brown seconded the motion. CARRIED

7.4 Director of Public Works Report - 2026 United Way BBQ

Motion 12

Cathy Langis made a motion Be it resolved that the 2026 United Way BBQ report submitted by Director of Public Works Brian Black, be received and that Council approve the recommendation that St. Clair Township hold a free BBQ for Council and Staff to serve as a 2026 United Way Event at Noon on Wednesday, June 17th. Holly Foster seconded the motion. CARRIED.

7.5 Coordinator of Operations (Works) Report - Implosive Connectors – Hydro Tower Line

Motion 13

Bill Myers made a motion - Be it resolved that the Implosive Connectors - Hydro Tower Line report submitted by Coordinator of Operations David Neely, be received as information. Pat Brown seconded the motion. CARRIED.

8. DRAINAGE BY-LAWS

8.1 By-Law 7 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Whitebread Tap Drain Amending

8.2 By-Law 8 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Drains Amending

Motion 14

Bill Myers made a motion - Be it resolved that the following drainage by-laws receive all three readings and be thereby passed and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the by-laws and any agreements thereto:

8.1 - By-Law 7 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Whitebread Tap Drain Amending

8.2 - By-Law 8 of 2026 - Chatham Kent Drains Amending

Cathy Langis seconded the motion. CARRIED.

9. BY-LAWS

9.1 By-Law 31 of 2026 - Joint Compliance Audit Committee

9.2 By-Law 32 of 2026 - Confirming By-Law

Motion 15

Cathy Langis made a motion - Be it resolved that the following by-laws receive all three readings and be thereby passed and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the by-laws and any agreements thereto:

9.1 - By-Law 31 of 2026 - Joint Compliance Audit Committee

9.2 - By-Law 32 of 2026 - Confirming By-Law Holly Foster seconded the motion. CARRIED.

10. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

COUNCILLOR BROWN

Councillor Brown noted that the waste calendars are no longer mailed out, and suggested the scheduling for yard waste collection in the Spring is confusing; he asked that for 2027 and ongoing, that the start of collection be delayed by a week or two, and that once collection has begun, that no weeks are skipped. Councillor Brown also asked staff to prioritize staking some young trees along Lyndoch Street and snip the saplings off these trees; and also remove stakes on trees where they're no longer required.

Councillor Brown encouraged staff to continue to consult with the SCRCA to pursue funding for shoreline erosion control projects and closed his report by thanking everyone for their support in response to the passing of his wife.

COUNCILLOR FOSTER

Councillor Foster congratulated Michelle Maitland and the coordinating committee for the St. Clair River Run for running another fabulous event and asked staff for clarification on the scope of the shoreline protection work at the pumping station in Corunna. Councillor Foster asked staff to provide an update on the naming rights process for some facilities at the Moore Sports Complex.

Motion 16

Holly Foster made a motion - Be it resolved that staff invite Crimestoppers to make a presentation to provide information on their plans for the implementation of the program within St. Clair Township. Cathy Langis seconded the motion. CARRIED

COUNCILLOR LANGIS

Councillor Langis attended the Committee of Adjustment meeting; the Lambton County Municipal Banquet; and congratulated the coordinating committee for the St. Clair River Run and the staff who assisted in the maintenance of the park and road closures for running another fantastic event.

COUNCILLOR MYERS

Councillor Myers continues to help coordinate the Family Fun Day planned for June 13 in Wilkesport and asked staff to do all they can to ensure the splash pad is operational by that day.

Councillor Myers asked staff to bring an update on the installation of increased safety features at the intersection of Bentpath Line and Highway 40.

DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER

Deputy Mayor Miller attended the County Council meeting; the Committee of Adjustment meeting; the Municipal banquet; and the Bradshaw Conservation Area event.

MAYOR AGAR

Mayor Agar asked staff to confirm restoration of property is complete for properties abutting Marshy Creek and attended the LAWSS meeting; the Senior's Advisory Committee; the County Council meeting; the BASES Annual General Meeting; the Lambton Municipal Banquet and the St. Clair River Run. Mayor Agar congratulated Councillor Foster on running the race and thanked Councillor Langis for volunteering to help make it a wonderful event.

Mayor Agar closed his report by thanking Deputy Treasurer Eric Hicks for taking on extra work while Treasurer George Lozon is away; and welcoming Tara Jeffrey to the Township to serve in her new role as the Communications and Marketing Coordinator.

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12. ADJOURNMENT

- 12.1 The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Motion 17

Steve Miller made a motion - Be it resolved that the meeting do hereby adjourn. Bill Myers seconded the motion. CARRIED

Mayor - Jeff Agar

Clerk - Jeff Baranek

