



**The Corporation of the Town of Essex**

**Special Council Meeting Minutes**

January 11, 2021, 6:00 pm

Location: <https://www.youtube.com/user/EssexOntario>

This meeting was hosted and chaired from the Essex Municipal Building, 33 Talbot Street South, Essex. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the Essex Municipal Building not being open to the public at this time, this meeting was only available electronically to the public via livestream on YouTube with delegates as well only being able to participate electronically.

Present: Mayor Larry Snively  
Deputy Mayor Richard Meloche  
Councillor Joe Garon  
Councillor Morley Bowman  
Councillor Kim Verbeek  
Councillor Steve Bjorkman  
Councillor Sherry Bondy  
Councillor Chris Vander Doelen

Also Present: Chris Nepszy, Chief Administrative Officer  
Robert Auger, Town Solicitor, Legal and Legislative Services/Clerk  
Shelley Brown, Deputy Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services  
Doug Sweet, Director, Community Services/Deputy CAO  
Jeffrey Morrison, Director, Corporate Services and Treasurer  
Lori Chadwick, Director, Development Services  
Kevin Girard, Director, Infrastructure Services

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Larry Snively called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest noted at this time.

**3. Adoption of Published Agenda**

**3.1 Special Council Meeting Agenda for January 11, 2021**

**SP21-01-001**

Moved By Councillor Vander Doelen

Seconded By Councillor Garon

**That** the published agenda for the January 11, 2021 Special Council Meeting RE: 2021 Budget be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

4. Reports from Administration

4.1 Jeffrey Morrison, Director, Corporate Services/Treasurer

Presentation: RE: Post Budget Walkthrough Changes January 11, 202

Jeffrey Morrison, Director, Corporate Services/Treasurer provided Council with a summary of the changes to the 2021 Budget since the December 14, 2020 Special Council Meeting including the proposed add (for Council's consideration) of Project CS-21-00xx (Co-An Park Annual Capital).

SP21-01-002

Moved By Councillor Verbeek  
Seconded By Deputy Mayor Meloche

**That** Capital Project PW-21-0006 Old Malden Road in the amount of \$220,000 whose approval was put on hold by resolution at the December 14, 2020 Special Council Meeting be now approved as is as part of the 2021 Budget.

Councillor Bondy requested a recorded vote.

	Support	Opposed
Mayor Snively	x	
Deputy Mayor Meloche	x	
Councillor Garon		x
Councillor Bowman	x	
Councillor Verbeek	x	
Councillor Bjorkman		x
Councillor Vander Doelen		x
Councillor Bondy	x	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>

On a record vote of 5 in support and 3 opposed the motion is Carried.

**Carried**

SP21-01-003

Moved By Councillor Garon  
Seconded By Councillor Bondy

**That** Capital Project PW-21-0067 Maidstone/Arthur/Gosfield Intersection in the amount of \$450,000 whose approval was put on hold by resolution at the December 14, 2020 Special Council Meeting be approved as is as part of the 2021 Budget.

**Carried**

**SP21-01-004**

Moved By Councillor Garon  
Seconded By Councillor Bowman

**That** Capital Project CS-21-0042 Essex Tennis Courts in the amount of \$240,000 whose approval was put on hold by resolution at the December 14, 2020 Special Council Meeting be approved as proposed in the 2021 Budget.

**Carried**

**SP21-01-005**

Moved By Councillor Bjorkman  
Seconded By Councillor Garon

**That** the following projects be added to the 2021 Budget as follows:

1. Viscount Parkway Roadway in the amount of \$200,000 to be funded from the 2020 surplus Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF);
2. Viscount Parkway Watermain in the amount of \$160,000 to be funded from the Water Lifecycle Reserve;
3. 3rd Concession Paved Shoulder in the amount of \$120,000 to be funded from the Trails Reserve.

**Carried**

**SP21-01-006**

Moved By Mayor Snively  
Seconded By Councillor Vander Doelen

**That** Administration look into the process for declaring and receiving dividends from ELK Energy for subsequent potential use to fund needed road and sidewalk projects.

**Carried**

**SP21-01-007**

Moved By Councillor Verbeek  
Seconded By Deputy Mayor Meloche

**That** Capital Project CS-21-0107 Co-An Park Capital Projects in the amount of \$15,000 be added to the 2021 Budget.

**Carried**

**5. Adjournment**

**SP21-01-008**

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche  
Seconded By Councillor Bowman

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 PM.

**Carried**

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Mayor

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Clerk