

Minutes of the Municipal Council

First Meeting 1850.

Court House, Paris,
County of Simcoe.

Monday 28th January 1850

The County Council having met this day, in pursuance of an Act 12th Vic. Chap. 81 being an Act to provide, by and under law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations, and the establishment of Regulations of Police, in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in Upper Canada.

Present

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| Messrs. Amson | Messrs. Island |
| " Bell | " Kenan |
| " Caswell | " Lane |
| " Croft Robert | " Moffatt |
| " Croft William | " Morris |
| " Ferguson | " McCarty |
| Robertson 13. | |

The Clerk called the Meeting to order.

Mr. Lane moved, seconded by Mr. Bell,

That William Amson Esquire be elected Warden for the County of Simcoe.

Carried unanimously.

The Warden took the Chair, and addressed the Council.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Robertson.
Ordered.

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Ordered - That Mr. John McWatt be appointed County Clerk for the County of Simcoe.

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Morris,

Ordered - That Edmund Lally Esquire be appointed County Treasurer for the County of Simcoe.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. McCarty.

Ordered - That the Warden do appoint a Committee to prepare Standing Rules and Regulations for the proper conducting the business of the Council.

The Warden nominated Messrs. Lane, McCarty, and Bell.

Adjourned. Wm. Ramsden
Warden

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The Council met.

The Warden in the Chair.

Present

Messrs. Armeson	Messrs. Island
" Bell	" Keenan
" Casswell	" Lane
" Croft Robert	" Moffatt
" Chapp. Williams	" Morris
" Ferguson	" M ^r . Conkey
	Robertson 13.

The Minutes of yesterday read.

The Committee appointed for the purpose of drafting Standing Rules and Regulations for the guidance of the Council, brought up a Report accompanied by a draft of Standing Rules for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. M^r. Conkey, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Ordered - That the Report and draft of Standing Rules ^{as proposed} be adopted.

The Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet together with Surveyor's Report No. 1 & Auditor's Reports Nos 1, 2, & 3 laid before the Council.

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On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. M^r. Conkey.

~~Ordered - That the various documents laid before the Council be ~~sent~~ referred to the respective Committees~~

Ordered - That the Warden do now appoint the required Standing Committees.

The Warden nominated

For Education,

Messrs. Armeson, Moffatt, and Casswell.

For Finance and Assessment,

Messrs. Bell, M^r. Conkey, and Robertson.

For Roads and Bridges,

Messrs. Lane, Croft (Amisfil), and Keenan.

For District Property,

Messrs. Morris, Island and Ferguson.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. M^r. Conkey.

Ordered - That the various documents laid before the Council this morning, be referred to the respective Committees.

The Warden appointed Mr. John Atkinson an Auditor for the County.

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On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

Ordered - That Mr. William Graham be appointed one of the Auditors for the County.

On motion of Mr. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Ordered - That the Warden do appoint a Committee to consist of seven members, to report on the Municipal Act, & that any documents required, now in possession of the Council be laid before them.

The Warden nominated the following viz:

- Mr. Lane
- " Armeson
- " McCarty
- " Bell
- " Kinnear
- " Morris
- " Caswell

On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

Ordered - That Mr. Henry Creswick be appointed County Surveyor for the current year.

A communication from J. A. Stoyne Esq. Deputy Postmaster General relating the establishment of new Post Offices in the County

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County of Simcoe, laid before the Council.
Adjourned -

Wm. Davidson
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Wednesday 30th January 1850.

The Council met,

The Warden in the Chair,

Present.

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| Messrs. Arnsaw | Messrs. Island |
| " Bell | " Kinnaird |
| " Casswell | " Lane |
| " Croft Robert | " Moffatt |
| " Croft William | " Morris |
| " Ferguson | " Mr. C. A. Key |
| | Robertson 13 |

The Minutes of yesterday read.

The following Petitions were presented.

Of the Trustees of School Section No. 1 of the Township of Collingwood, praying for a larger portion of the School Grant - by Mr. Ferguson

Of the Inhabitants of South Orlin, praying that the By-law of the late District Council to provide for the attachment of certain Townships to each other, be repealed - by Mr. Moffatt.

Of certain Inhabitants of the Township of North Orlin, praying that no alteration should be made in that part of the By-law of the late District Council which relates to North Orlin - by Mr. Bell -

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On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

Resolved - That the Petition of Trustees of School Section No. 1 Township of Collingwood be referred to the Standing Committee on Education.

Mr. Bell moved, seconded by Mr. Kinnaird,

That the Petitions of the Inhabitants of North and South Orlin be referred to a Select Committee to be named by the Warden.

On a division being called for, it was decided in the negative.

The Surveyor's Report No. 2 laid before the Council, accompanied by certain documents.

Resolved - That the Surveyor's Report No. 2 with accompanying documents be referred to the Standing Committee and District Property.

The County Superintendent's Report together with Account and Vouchers laid before the Council.

A Communication from Thomas A. Ferguson School Teacher laid before the Council.

Resolved - That the communication of Thomas A. Ferguson with all others on the subject of Education be referred to the Standing Committee on Education.

A Communication from the Clerk of the Peace relating to the Census Rolls, laid before the Council.

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On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. McCarty.

Resolved - That the Finance Committee take into their consideration By law No. 47, to ^{examine} see if any alteration in said Bylaw is required, and if so, to make the necessary alterations.

On motion of Mr. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Lane,

Resolved - That the procuring of a County seal and the adoption of a suitable motto be referred to the Standing Committee on County Property.

A Memorial from the Municipality of the United Townships of Madawaska, St. John and Northville, praying that all the Towns therein be kept in repair by the County, laid before the Council, by Mr. Bell.

Mr. Bell moved, seconded by Mr. Moffatt.

That the Memorial of the Municipality of the United Townships of Madawaska, St. John and Northville be referred to the Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges.

On a division of the Council, it was decided in the negative.

Adjourned

E. W. Bell
Chairman. pro. tem.

Court House, Paris,

Thursday 31st January 1859.

The Council met.

~~In absence of Mr. [unclear], the [unclear] [unclear]~~

Present

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| Mr. [unclear] | Mr. Island |
| " Bell | " Kenyon |
| " Carroll | " Lane |
| " Croft Robert | " Moffatt |
| " Croft William | " Morris |
| " Ferguson | " McCarty |
| | Robertson 12- |

In absence of the Warden, the Clerk called the meeting to order.

Mr. Morris moved, seconded by Mr. Croft (Chairman) that Mr. Bell do take the Chair pro. tempore.

Mr. Bell took the Chair.

Presented - The Petition of John Pearson, Builder Paris, praying for remuneration for work performed at the Court House in the year 1846.

Resolved - That the Petition of John Pearson be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance and Assessment.

The following Petitions were presented.

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Of certain Inhabitants of Orléans, Southern Division, Praying that the By-law of the late District Council, providing for the attachment of certain Townships, be repealed so far as regards that Township, by Mr. Moffatt.

Of Moses Hayter Jaire Panic, Praying that provision may be made for an old man now in the County Jail, & who is in the most helpless state of feebleness - by Mr. Lane.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Conkey,

Resolved that the Petition of Moses Hayter be referred to a Special Committee, to be appointed by the Chairman.

The Chairman nominated Messrs. Lane, Robertson, and Ferguson and Moffatt.

Mr. Morris moved, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

That the Petition of the Inhabitants of South Orléans be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Conkey, Lane, Moffatt, Keenan & Bell.

On which the Yeas and Nays were taken as follows:

	Yeas
Messrs.	Conway
"	Croft (Chairman)
"	Keenan
"	Moffatt
"	Morris
"	Conkey
"	Robertson - 7

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Nays

Messrs.	Croft (Chairman)
"	Ferguson
"	Island
"	Lane - 4

Carried by a majority of three -

The Auditor's Report laid before the Council -

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Croft (Chairman),

Resolved that the Auditor's Report No. 4 be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance and Appointments.

Adjourned -

Geo. H. Bell
Chairman. pro. tem.

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Friday 1st February 1850.

The Council met.

The Warden in the Chair.

Present

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| Messrs. Armeson | Messrs. Island |
| " Bell | " Keenan |
| " Caswell | " Lane |
| " Croft Robert | " Moffatt |
| " Croft William | " Morris |
| " Ferguson | " McCarley |
| | Robertson 13. |

The Surveyor's Report No. 3, together with a letter from Messrs. Hayes & Sons, laid before the Council.

The Standing Committee on County Property brought up Reports Nos 1. & 2.

Ordered - That the Reports now read, be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Keenan, seconded by Mr. Bell.

Ordered - That the Petition of the Inhabitants of North Oullin be referred to the Special Committee appointed to report on the Petition of the Inhabitants of South Oullin.

On motion of Mr. McCarley, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Ordered -

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Ordered - That Messrs. Armeson, Bell, Lane, Morris and Caswell be a Committee to report upon the subject of the Toronto Simcoe and Lake Huron Union Rail Road.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Croft (Sinnifil).

Ordered - That the Surveyor's Report No. 3 together with the communication from Messrs. Hayes & Sons be referred to the Standing Committee on County Property.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Croft (Sinnifil).

Ordered - That the Committee on Roads & Bridges be instructed to consider and report upon the repairs of Town lines and also on what Roads are to be considered County Roads, for the purpose of drafting a By-law to that effect, &c.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. McCarley.

Ordered - That the Finance Committee report to the Council upon the payment of Members of this Council for their services as such.

The County Surveyor's Report No. 4 laid before the Council.

Ordered - That the Surveyor's Report No. 4 be referred to the Committee on County Property.

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The Committee on County Property brought up Report No. 3.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance & Appointments brought up Report No. 1.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Appointments brought Report No. 2 accompanied by Draft of By Law.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

Ordered - That the Draft of By Law now read a first time, be read a second time forthwith.

The Standing Committee on Education brought up Report No. 1.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Petition of certain Probationers of the Townships of Millis brought up a Report.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

The Special Committee appointed to report on the Communication from Moses Haysler Jailer brought up a Report.

On motion of Mr. Law, seconded by Mr. Mackay

Carried -

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Ordered - That the Blank left in the Report now read, be filled up with the sum of several dollars and six pence.

Ordered - That the Report be now adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Appointments brought Report No. 3 accompanied by Draft of By Law.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

Ordered - That the Draft of By Law now read a first time, be read a second time forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Croft (Amirique)

Ordered - That the Warden do appoint a Committee on Contingencies.

The Warden nominated Messrs. Adams, Croft, Cummings, and Robertson.

Adjourned - Wm. Hammond Warden

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Saturday 2nd February 1850

The Council met.

The Warden in the Chair.

Present

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| Mr. Armand | Mr. Island |
| " Bell | " Keenan |
| " Casswell | " Lane |
| " Croft Robert | " Moffatt |
| " Croft William | " Morris |
| " Ferguson | " Mr. Conroy |
| | Robertson 13. |

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Robertson.

Ordered - That the Council do not now go into Committee of the whole on Draft of Bylaw relating to the appointment of commissioners read a second time but that it be read a third time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Bylaw now read a third time do pass, be engrossed, signed and sealed by the Warden.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Bell.

Ordered - That the Committee on Finance and Appointment do report on the duties and salaries of the several County Officers.

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The Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges brought up Report No. 1 accompanied by Draft of Bylaw.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

Ordered - That the Draft of Bylaw now read a first time, be read a second time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Council do go into Committee of the whole on the draft of Bylaw now read a second time.

The Council went into Committee of the whole on the draft of Bylaw. Mr. Keenan in the Chair.

The Committee of the whole read and reported the Draft of Bylaw as amended.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Casswell.

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw be now read a third time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Bylaw now read a third time do pass, be engrossed, signed and sealed by the Warden.

The Standing Committee on County Property brought up Report No. 4.

Ordered - That the Report now read, be adopted.

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On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Kinnear.

Ordered - That the Council do now go into Committee of the whole on draft of Bylaw to raise and levy Taxes for the current year.

The Council went into Committee of the whole on draft of Bylaw - Mr. Lane in the Chair.

The Committee of the whole rose, and reported the draft of Bylaw as amended.

On motion of Mr. Bell seconded, by Mr. Kinnear,

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw now read a second time, be read a third time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Bylaw now read a third time do pass, be engrossed, signed and sealed by the Warden.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Appropriations brought Report No. 4, accompanied by Draft of Bylaw.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw now read a first time, be read a second time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Council do not now go into Committee of the whole on draft of Bylaw now read a second time, but that it be read a third time forthwith.

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On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw now read a third time do pass, be engrossed, signed and sealed by the Warden.

The Special Committee appointed to report on the Municipal Council Act brought up a Report, accompanied by a ^{draft of} Memorial to the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Casswell,

Ordered - That the Report and Draft of Memorial now read be adopted, that the Memorial be engrossed, signed and sealed by the Warden, and transmitted to the Legislature.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Appropriations brought Report No. 5, accompanied by draft of Bylaw.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw now read, be read a second time forthwith.

Ordered - That the Council do not now go into Committee of the whole, on draft of Bylaw now read a second time, but that it be read a third time forthwith.

Ordered - That the draft of Bylaw now read a third time do pass, be engrossed, signed & sealed by the Warden.

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The Standing Committee on Finance and Appointments brought up Report No. 6.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

The Special Committee appointed to report on the Toronto, Simcoe and Huron Union Rail Road brought up a Report.

On motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Caswell.

Ordered - That the Clerk be instructed to provide the County Seal.

The Committee on Contingencies brought up a Report.

On motion of Mr. Croft (Simcoe), seconded by Mr. Morris.

Ordered - That the Report now read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

Ordered - That the Clerk be instructed to get the Minutes and proceedings of the Council printed, at the earliest date and on the best terms possible.

Adjourned sine die - Wm. A. ...

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Second Meeting 1850.

Court House, Paris
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27th August 1850.

The County Council having met this day in pursuance of Act 12th Vic. Chap. 81, being an Act to provide by one general law, for the erection of Municipal Incorporations, and the establishment of Corporations of Police in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships and Villages in Upper Canada.

The Warden in the Chair - Present

- Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Kenan, Mr. Lane, Mr. Moffatt, Mr. Morris, Mr. McKay, Mr. Robertson

The Warden addressed the Council and laid several communications upon the table, viz.

1st - From the Inspector General Office Customs Department, on the subject of funding the West Simcoe Highway (Highway Trust Road).

2nd Article of Agreement between the Municipal Council of West Simcoe and John Puffer relative to the West Simcoe Highway Toll Gate.