



Minutes Cornwall City Council

Meeting #: 2020-05
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2020, 2:30 PM
Location: Council Chambers,
Chair: Bernadette Clement, Mayor
Prepared By: Debbie Caskenette, Deputy Clerk

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| Attendance | Bernadette Clement, Mayor | Maurice Dupelle, Councillor |
| Committee | Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor | Glen Grant, Councillor |
| Members: | Elaine MacDonald, Councillor | Todd Bennett, Councillor |
| | Syd Gardiner, Councillor | Justin Towndale, Councillor |
| | Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor | Eric Bergeron, Councillor |
| | (arrived 3:20 p.m.) | |
| | Carilyne Hébert, Councillor | |
| Attendance | Maureen Adams, CAO | Jeff Weber, Deputy Fire Chief |
| Administration: | Manon L. Levesque, City Clerk | Mellissa Morgan, Supervisor, |
| | Debbie Caskenette, Deputy Clerk | Social and Housing Services |
| | Geoffrey Clarke, General Manager, | Steven Golden, Administrator, Glen |
| | Corporate Services | Stor Dun Lodge |
| | Mark A. Boileau, General Manager, | Len Tapp, Division Manager, |
| | Planning, Development and | Transit Services |
| | Recreation | Carl Goodwin, Division Manager, |
| | Tracey Bailey, General Manager, | Environmental Services |
| | Financial Services | Michael Fawthrop, Division |
| | Bill deWit, Acting General | Manager, Infrastructure Planning |
| | Manager, Infrastructure and | James Fawthrop, Manager, |
| | Municipal Works | Recreation Services |
| | Pierre Voisine, Fire Chief | Charles Bray, Deputy Chief |
| | Bill Lister, EMS Chief | Building Official |
| | Paul Scrimshaw, Manager, | Emma Meldrum, Public Information |
| | Accounting Services | Coordinator |
| | Justin Cordell, Budget Coordinator | Bob Peters, Manager, Economic |
| | | Development (arrived 5:00 p.m.) |

1. Opening

The Mayor acknowledged that we gather on the traditional territory of the Mohawk people of Akwesasne.

2. Acting Mayor

3. Roll Call

4. Adoption of Agenda

Continuation as the outlined agenda adopted on February 3, 2020.

5. Disclosure of Interest

Councillor Eric Bergeron disclosed a conflict of interest related to the Municipal Grants component as his employer receives funding from the Municipal Grants Program.

Councillor Carilyne Hébert disclosed a conflict of interest related to the operating budget for Social and Housing Services as her employer, the Social Development Council, receives funding under their programs.

6. Committee of the Whole

7. Presentations and Reports

1. 2020 General Taxation Budget, 2020-240-Financial Services

Review of the Operating Budget.

Tracey Bailey, Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of the pie charts illustrating operating expenditures associated with the delivery of services and the funding sources for the services delivered by the Corporation.

A review each department's operating budget was undertaken.

New Staffing Position

Moved By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Seconded By: Carilyne Hébert, Councillor

Motion to add funds to the 2020 Budget to create a staff position in support of the City's Strategic Plan.

Motion Carried

Moved By: Carilyne Hébert, Councillor
Seconded By: Justin Towndale, Councillor

Motion to defer and direct Administration to prepare a report on the proposed Strategic Support position and bring back to Council at the March 23, 2020 meeting.

Motion Carried

Moved By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor
Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion to add \$60,000 to the Council Budget to accommodate the potential Strategic Support position.

Motion Carried

6:45 p.m. (Recessed), 7:30 p.m. (Reconvened)

Budget Approval

Moved By: Glen Grant, Councillor
Seconded By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Motion to approve the 2020 Budget with a tax increase of 3.06 per cent.

| Recorded | For | Against | Abstain |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Bernadette Clement, Mayor | | X | |
| Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor | | X | |
| Elaine MacDonald, Councillor | | X | |
| Syd Gardiner, Councillor | | X | |
| Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor | | X | |
| Carilyne Hébert, Councillor | X | | |
| Maurice Dupelle, Councillor | | X | |
| Glen Grant, Councillor | X | | |
| Todd Bennett, Councillor | | X | |
| Justin Towndale, Councillor | | X | |
| Eric Bergeron, Councillor | | X | |
| Results | 2 | 9 | 0 |
| | | Motion Defeated (2 to 9) | |

Discussion continued with motions related to both operating and capital budgets.

Budget Adjustments

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Justin Towndale, Councillor

Motion that \$100,000 for the Small Diameter Culvert Replacement be funded from the gas tax reserve and not the tax base.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Justin Towndale, Councillor

Motion that \$100,000 for the Pole Replacement Program be funded from gas tax reserve and not the tax base.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion that \$75,000 for the Big Ben Ski Making Equipment be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor

Motion that \$60,000 for the Benson Centre Laser Ice Leveller be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion that \$40,000 for the Outdoor Bleacher Replacement be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

Motion that \$110,000 for the Outdoor Tennis Court Lighting Replacement and Court Resurfacing be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Justin Towndale, Councillor

Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion that \$100,000 for the Benson Centre Outdoor Playstructure be removed from the 2020 Budget and the funds reallocated to the next playstructure on the priority list.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor
Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion that \$5,000,000 for the Arts and Culture Centre Renovations be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor
Seconded By: Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor

Motion that \$2.9 million for the Fire Headquarters and Training Centre project be removed from the 2020 Budget.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Justin Towndale, Councillor
Seconded By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor

Motion that \$120,000 for the Off-Road Bike Path on Haulage Road funded from the gas tax reserve be removed and \$100,000 be reallocated to the Small Diameter Culvert Replacement.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Eric Bergeron, Councillor
Seconded By: Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor

Motion that the Councillors' expense budget be reduced by 50%.

Motion Defeated

Moved By: Carilyne Hébert, Councillor
Seconded By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Motion to reconsider and approve the 2020 Budget with a 3.06% residential tax increase.

Recorded vote requiring 2/3 majority.

| Recorded | For | Against | Abstain |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Bernadette Clement, Mayor | Y | | |
| Claude E. McIntosh, Councillor | Y | | |
| Elaine MacDonald, Councillor | Y | | |
| Syd Gardiner, Councillor | Y | | |
| Dean Hollingsworth, Councillor | Y | | |
| Carilyne Hébert, Councillor | Y | | |
| Maurice Dupelle, Councillor | Y | | |
| Glen Grant, Councillor | Y | | |
| Todd Bennett, Councillor | Y | | |
| Justin Towndale, Councillor | Y | | |
| Eric Bergeron, Councillor | | X | |
| Results | 10 | 1 | 0 |
| | | Motion Carried (10 to 1) | |

7. Adjournment

The next regular public meeting of Council will be held on Monday, February 10, 2019.

Moved By: Maurice Dupelle, Councillor

Seconded By: Todd Bennett, Councillor

Motion to adjourn the special meeting of Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 10:15 p.m.

Motion Carried

Manon L. Levesque, City Clerk

Bernadette Clement, Mayor