

# Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron Minutes for the Budget Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Olde Town Hall-Carling Room

Members Present: George Finch, Mayor

Jim Dietrich, Deputy Mayor

Marissa Vaughan, Councillor - Ward 1

Barb Willard, Councillor - Ward 2 – 4:13 p.m.

Ted Oke - Councillor - Ward 3

Member Regrets: Dianne Faubert, Councillor - Ward 1

Aaron Neeb, Councillor - Ward 2

Staff Present: Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk

Sandy Becker, Director of Financial Services

Don Giberson, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Scott Currie, Community Services Manager Dwayne McNab, Chief Building Official

Angela Shipway, Manager of Financial Services

Mark Elston, Public Works Manager

Jeremy Becker, Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief

Shawn Young, Manager of Environmental Services Maggie McBride, Financial Services Coordinator

Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

#### 1. Meeting Called To Order

Mayor Finch called the Budget Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### 2. <u>Amendments to the Agenda, as Distributed and Approved by Council</u>

Addition of Item 4.3.1 - Community Grants Ad-hoc Committee Report

Motion: 099-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: M. Vaughan

That South Huron Council approves the Agenda as amended.

**Disposition: Carried** 

# 3. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof</u>

Mayor Finch declared a pecuniary interest.

3.1 William Street Sewage and Project

I own a property at 398 William Street.

### 4. Staff Reports

4.1 Budget Impacts and Priorities - Levy Funded Services - Presentation S. Becker, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer and A. Shipway, Manager of Financial Services

Director Becker presented Council with an update of changes since the reports were sent out and changes made at the January 14 meeting and outlined the strategy that was considered to maintain current levels. Director Becker confirmed that South Huron has not yet received information on OMPF funding at this time.

Chair Finch lead Council through a line by line review of the proposed Operating Budget. Council discussed the operating budget in detail.

Mayor Finch and Deputy Mayor Dietrich advised they would set up a meeting with Huron County Economic Development to get more information on County initiatives in South Huron.

Council directed a Committee of the Whole on delivery of service for By-Law enforcement, priority setting workshop, South Huron Cemeteries Overview and Perpetual Care.

Mayor Finch called a recess to 12:02 pm for lunch. The meeting reconvened at 12:48 p.m.

Director Giberson confirmed to Council that the proposed increases itemized in the Watson & Associate's Water/Wastewater Study are not included in the forecast.

Council discussed Development Charges and CAO Best advised that study is scheduled to proceed in 2020.

Motion: 100-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: M. Vaughan

That South Huron Council approve the following amendments to the 2019 Operating Budget as follows:

- 1. That the Recreation and Cultural Services Operating Budget be reduced by \$133,704; and
- 2. That the Animal Control Operating budget be increased by \$1,500 for the cat voucher pilot project program; and
- 3. That the Solid Waste Operating budget be increased by \$18,548.

**Disposition: Carried** 

Motion: 101-2019 Moved: M. Vaughan Seconded: T. Oke

That South Huron Council receives the report from S. Becker,
Director of Financial Services/Treasurer and A. Shipway, Manager of
Financial Services re: Budget Impacts and Priorities - Levy Funded
Services

**Disposition: Carried** 

4.2 2019 Budget Book - Presentation S. Becker, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer and A. Shipway, Manager of Financial Services

Mayor Finch led Council through the 2019 Capital Budget. Council discussed the scope of the Town Hall rehabilitation project and heritage considerations.

CAO Best advised that staff are currently preparing a master recreation plan and facility audit RFP that will be going out soon.

Mayor Finch called a recess at 3:00 p.m. Council reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

Director Becker confirmed that the Kirkton Hall parking lot is scheduled to be completed in 2019.

Mayor Finch declared a conflict on this item. (I own a property at 398 William Street.) He left the meeting at 3:30 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Dietrich took the chair for the discussion on Sanitary Sewer Services capital projects. Mayor Finch returned to the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Motion: 102-2019 Moved: M. Vaughan Seconded: J. Dietrich

That South Huron Council directs the following amendments to the 2019 Capital Budget:

1. That the Town Hall rehabilitation project scope be amended to defer the Bell Fry tower portion to the 2020 budget and to include railing costs to the replacement of the front steps; and

That a staff report be brought back for Council consideration outlining project details; and

- 2. That the community Hub /Recreation Centre project be removed from the 2019 capital budget and that the 2019 operating budget include a transfer to the Recreation capital replacement reserve in the amount of \$125,000; and
- 3. That South Huron Council authorizes the borrowing of \$218,510 from the Water capital replacement reserve as source of funding for 2019 sewer capital projects; and

That the internal borrowing is to be repaid using the Bank of Canada overnight rate applicable on date of budget adoption.

#### **Amendment:**

Motion: 103-2019 Moved: M. Vaughan Seconded: J. Dietrich

That South Huron Council amend resolution #102-2019 by adding "within the term of Council" in item #3 of the resolution for repayment of the Water capital replacement reserve.

**Disposition: Carried** 

Motion: 102-2019 Moved: M. Vaughan Seconded: J. Dietrich

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**Disposition: Carried** 

Motion: 104-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: M. Vaughan

That South Huron Council receives the report from S. Becker, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer and A. Shipway, Manager of Financial Services re: 2019 Budget.

**Disposition: Carried** 

#### 4.3 Community Grants

4.3.1 Community Grants Ad-hoc Committee Report - Community Grant Recommendations for 2019

Council discussed clarifying the wording for organizations that provide charitable receipts. Council clarified that this would apply to all municipal facilities.

Councillor Willard entered the meeting at 4:13 p.m.

Motion: 105-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: J. Dietrich

That the memo of the Community Grants Ad-hoc Committee be

received; and

That South Huron Council approves the 2019 grant allocations as presented; and

That any Licensed Not-For-Profit or Charity in South Huron be exempt for payment of fees related to the rental of South Huron facilities for Special Events; and

That By-Law 34-2015 Schedule D be amended to reflect that any fees associated with the set-up of any Special Event that would require use of South Huron staff and resources would be subject to a fee based on a cost recovery basis; and

That the Committee be authorized to examine the Community Grants process and make a recommendation to South Huron Council no later than June 30, 2019.

**Amendment:** 

Motion: 106-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: M. Vaughan

That South Huron Council amend resolution #105-2019 by removing "Licensed Not-For-Profit or Charity" from paragraph three and replacing with "Registered Charity".

**Disposition: Carried** 

Motion: 105-2019 Moved: T. Oke

Seconded: J. Dietrich

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That any Registered Charity in South Huron be exempt for payment of fees related to the rental of South Huron facilities for Special Events; and

That By-Law 34-2015 Schedule D be amended to reflect that any fees associated with the set-up of any Special Event that would require use of South Huron staff and resources would be subject to a fee based on a cost recovery basis; and

That the Committee be authorized to examine the Community Grants process and make a recommendation to South Huron Council no later than June 30, 2019.

**Disposition: Carried** 

Council directed the revised document be brought back for consideration at the budget meeting scheduled for February 20, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

## 5. Adjournment

Motion: 107-2019 Moved: J. Dietrich Seconded: T. Oke

That South Huron Council now hereby adjourns at 4:38 p.m.

**Disposition: Carried** 

George Finch, Mayor Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Clerk