

## 2022 Budget Summary

On September 27, 2021, Council passed the following resolution;

## Motion – 356-2021

That South Huron Council directs staff to move towards a 1% tax rate increase for current levels of service and current business within our control and excluding items not within our control such as, asset management strategy, large capital projects and debt management decisions made by Council.

Staff have achieved the objective approved by Council. The proposed levy based budgets represent a 0.97% rural tax rate increase/0.66% urban tax rate increase. The proposed user fee budgets are prepared on a full cost recovery basis.

Budget Summary – 2022 Proposed Budgets

- Maintained current service levels
- Held baseline capital spending until recommendations from Fire Master Plan and Transportation State of Infrastructure plans have been finalized
- Increased contribution to capital replacement reserve in 2022 by \$285,000 to offset deferred capital projects
- 4.4% COLA increase per September CPI
- Tax rate calculated based on no increase in assessment values

## <u>Unknowns</u>

- 2022 OMPF allocation
- Conservation Authorities proposed 2022 budgets
- Benefit costs mandatory and group benefit rates not yet finalized