

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
2019-2023 FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2019 AT 6:00 PM
IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor Minions, Councillors Corbeil, Haggard, Paulson, Poon, Solda and Washington

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded:

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded:

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held at 1:00 pm on January 21, 2019, be adopted.

CARRIED

C. 2019-2023 FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

1. Responses to Questions (meeting held January 21, 2019)

The following reports were presented:

- (a) Report from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Heritage dated January 23, 2019 (Harbour Quay Leases, Walk-in Cooler Replacement, Canal Beach Pier)
- (b) Report from the Deputy Fire Chief dated January 22, 2019 (radio & pager replacement, ladder truck replacement)

The Deputy Fire Chief responded to questions from Council. A report was requested with different options for replacement of the ladder truck and the number of buildings that would be impacted by an additional 25'.

(c) Econics Presentation to Council February 5, 2015 – Water Rate Review Update

In response to a question from Council, the Director of Engineering & Public Works advised that the Asset Management Plan work currently being undertaken will help to determine the status of our infrastructure.

It was moved and seconded:

That the reports provided by Staff in response to Council requests, be received.

CARRIED

Inspector Hunter, OIC RCMP was invited to address the RCMP budget and the proposed reduction of one position. Inspector Hunter noted the following:

- Budget primarily human resources
- Current cost per police officer which includes salary, OT, computers, vehicles, gas (all O&M) approx. \$174,000
- Contract for 34 positions was explained and the fact that when officers are on maternity leave; long-term off-duty sick; timing of transfers in and out there is no opportunity to backfill those positions.
- Independent report coming shortly advising 4 more positions are required to meet minimum standards in our community.
- Request is for two more officers.

Council requested that costs to fund 1/2/4 additional members be added to the Project Options List for consideration.

Council also requested a report regarding roles that could be filled by municipal staff (ie. Community Liaison).

2. Draft Capital Plan

Staff responded to questions from Council in regards to the proposed 2019 Capital Plan.

Council requested information regarding Development Cost Charges (DCCs) and what they may be used for.

Council requested that the additional \$30,000 for the City Hall Generator (sidewalks/underground wiring) be added to the Project Options Lists for consideration.

A reported was requested regarding actual works required for McLean Mill Dam safety.

Staff advised that the Parks 2006 Ford F550 Haul All replacement (\$129,400 funded from ERRF) will be moved to 2021.

Council requested funding (\$65,000) for McLean Mill projects be moved to the Project Options List for further discussion regarding the extent of capital projects.

3. Project Options List

The Project Options List was reviewed in detail with staff providing detail regarding each of the projects.

Council requested that conversion of each of the City's spray parks be added to the Project Options List for consideration.

The Director of Parks, Recreation & Heritage noted four urgent projects:

- Papermill Dam Bridgestairs (\$10,000)
- Penny Lane Bridge upgrades (\$20,000)
- Echo Field House Furnace #1 (\$6,600)
- Russell Field Light Pole repairs (\$10,000)

Council requested information regarding amount expended on scissor lift rentals.

Council suggested request be sent to the ACRD for funding support for Salmon Fest fireworks.

Council requested costs to undertake a facelift to Harbour Quay be added to the Project Options list for consideration.

C. INPUT/QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Leslie Walerius

It was moved and seconded:

That the letter dated January 24, 2019 requesting Council carefully reviews the City's financial policies, review past budgets and actuals, make informed decisions and ask lots of questions, be received.

CARRIED

D. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded:

That the meeting adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor

Dawn A. Hawfwell
Clerk