TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

BUDGET SESSION MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012 9:00 A.M.

Council Chambers - 271 Sandwich Street South, Amherstburg, Ontario

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Hurst

Deputy Mayor Ron Sutherland Councillor Bart DiPasquale Councillor Robert (Bob) Pillon Councillor Diane Pouget Councillor John Sutton Councillor Carolyn Davies

Joe Levack, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Brenda Percy, Clerk Paul Beneteau, Treasurer

Ed Posliff, Town Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

It was noted that the Town solicitor, Ed Posliff was present to provide solicitor client information on matters relating to Centennial Park. There was discussion with regard to moving to closed session to receive the legal advice from the Town solicitor.

IN-CAMERA MEETING

Councillor Pillon moved, Councillor Sutton seconded:

That Council move into an In-Camera Meeting of Council at 9:12 a.m., pursuant to Section 239(2) (f) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended being advice that is subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege with regard to Centennial Park.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF (In-Camera agenda item)

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

ADJOURNMENT OF IN-CAMERA MEETING

Council reconvened in public session at 10:00 a.m.

RESUMPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF (Public agenda items)

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

REPORTS

3.1 Revised Tax Rate Calculation

Paul Beneteau reviewed the report before Council dated February 8, 2012, as directed at the last public budget meeting of Council.

There was discussion on the 2012 budget items.

Councillor DiPasquale moved, Councillor Sutton seconded:

That 6th Concession Phase One be done in 2012

That Texas Road - Phase One be done in 2013

That 6th Concession, Phase Two be done in 2013

That Phase Two of Texas Road be completed in 2014

That prior to the commencement of Texas Road, a public meeting be held for residents affected and that a presentation be done on what will be done.

And further that as part of the construction on Texas Road, the storm sewers be done, lights, sidewalks and curbs complete.

Council asked for a recorded vote.

The Mayor put the Motion.

	Yes/Concur	No/Not Concur
Councillor Davies		x
Councillor DiPasquale	X	·
Councillor Pillon	×	
Councillor Pouget	X	
Deputy Mayor Sutherland	X	
Councillor Sutton	х	
Mayor Hurst	×	-

Motion Carried

Councillor Sutton moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

That the Boblo Island street improvements in amount of \$25,000 be paid from the reserves and included in the 2012 budget.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

3.2 A report by Dean Collver General Assessment of Centennial Park with Respect to Renovations

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Pillon seconded:

That the report prepared by Dean Collver, Director of Recreation and Culture and dated February 9, 2012 regarding a General Assessment of Centennial Park with Respect to Renovations be received;

That Administration proceed with a full investigation into the state of repair of all facilities in Centennial Park and provide a report back prior to 2013 budget deliberations recommending a course of action based on prudence, costs and best practices;

And further that Administration identify any and all immediate public safety concerns and provide a report outlining appropriate remedial actions necessary to mitigate these concerns and potential liability.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

David Scott, representative from the Committee to Preserve and Repair Centennial Park addressed Council with regard to improvements and costs associated with the Park and to clarify information.

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Pillon seconded:

That the Mr. Scott delegation be received.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Pillon seconded:

That Administration be directed to bring forward a budget to February 13, 2012 meeting at 6:00 p.m. that includes 2.89% increase, together with an outline of the projects to be completed, as noted at this meeting.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Joanne DiPerdomenico addressed Council with regard to Texas Road.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Sutherland moved, Councillor Sutton seconded:

That Council rise and adjourn at 11:45 a.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

WATER TOTAL

CLERK - BRENDAM. PERCY