Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Amherstburg Municipal Council held Friday, June 22, 2001 at 8:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Tony DiBartolomeo

Deputy Mayor Robert Pillon Councillor Mickey Bezaire Councillor Lynne Fox Councillor Frank Gorham Councillor Anthony Leardi Councillor Rosa White

ALSO PRESENT Bill King, Chief Administrative Officer

Paul Beneteau, Treasurer

The Mayor advised that the purpose of the meeting was to attempt to complete the budget deliberations.

Council reviewed a memo from the Public Works Manager with regard to the proposed netting at the ball diamond at Wigle Park.

Moved by M. Bezaire, seconded by R. Pillon that we receive the memo from Lou Zarlenga with regard to netting at Wigle Park and that the Manager of Public Services be authorized to purchase and install the netting.

Councillor Leardi requested a recorded vote.

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Councillor Bezaire	X	
Councillor Fox	X	
Councillor Gorham	X	
Councillor Leardi		X
Deputy Mayor Pillon	X	
Councillor White		X
Mayor DiBartolomeo	X	

Motion Carried

Council discussed the current state of the structures at the skateboard park. It was reported that the Public Works Department is currently monitoring the structures and making minor repairs. Council requested that the Manager of Public Services investigate the acquisition of permanent structures and prepare a plan for the replacement of the existing structures over time. It was agreed that some funds could be taken from the park reserve if one or two structures could be acquired this year.

Moved by T. DiBartolomeo, seconded by F. Gorham that the cost of the motorcycle in the Police Services budget be borrowed from the water reserve and repaid over two years.

Motion Carried

Moved by T. DiBartolomeo, seconded by M. Bezaire that the Town tender for the acquisition of four vehicles (2 fire department, 2 building department) and that they be financed through the dealers.

Motion Carried

Moved by R. White, seconded by F. Gorham that the Chamber of Commerce budget be approved at the sum of \$40,000.00.

Motion Lost

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Moved by T. DiBartolomeo, seconded by R. Pillon that the Fort Malden Golden Age Club request to have monthly fees waived at the Culture Centre be received and that the request be granted.

Motion Lost

Moved by M. Bezaire, seconded by F. Gorham that the Fort Malden Golden Age Club request to have monthly fees waived at the Culture Centre be received and that the request be denied.

Motion Carried

Moved by A. Leardi, seconded by L. Fox that administration be requested to prepare a report with regard to the current rental costs at the Culture Centre.

Motion Carried

Moved by A. Leardi, seconded by F. Gorham that the Ranta Marina budget for Salaries/Benefits be increased by 2.5%.

Motion Carried

Moved by T. DiBartolomeo, seconded by R. Pillon that the budget, as amended, be approved.

Motion Carried

Moved by A. Leardi, seconded by R. White that the municipal tax rate for 2001 be the same as 2000.

Motion Lost.

Moved by R. White, seconded by M. Bezaire that the parking space located in front of the Echo Building on the west side of Dalhousie be removed as soon as possible.

Motion Carried

Council discussed the establishment of an Economic Development Committee, as well as issues presented at the Vision Session.

Moved by M. Bezaire, seconded by A. Leardi that we go In-Camera to discuss a personnel matter.

Motion Carried

Moved by M. Bezaire, seconded by F. Gorham that we rise and report progress.

Motion Carried

Moved by M. Bezaire, seconded by R. Pillon that we do now adjourn.

Motion Carried

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER