

Minutes of An Amherstburg Municipal Council Meeting – Budget Session Held On Tuesday, March 1, 2011 At 9:00 a.m. In Council Chambers

PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Pamela Malott, CAO
Brenda Percy, Manager of Council & Leg. Services/Clerk
Paul Beneteau, Treasurer
Nikole LeBlanc, Recreation Programming Assistant
Dennis Laporte, Director of Recreation and Culture
Tony DeThomasis, Manager, Parks & Facilities Operations
Tim Berthiaume, Chief of Police
Lory Bratt, Planning Coordinator
Stephen Brown, Chief Building Official
Randy Sinasac, Fire Chief
Kim Brydon, Budget Services
Anne Rota, Manager, Tourism & Culture

There were no members of the public and no members of the media present at the meeting.

ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Ivano Fregonese, Supervisor Budget Services

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to Order.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Councillor DiPasquale declared a pecuniary interest in Retiree Benefits budget.

DEPARMENTAL BUDGETS

Randy Sinasac, Fire Chief reviewed the Operational Budget proposal breakdown.

a) Recreation Department

There was discussion with regard to the budgeted amount for advertising. Dennis Laporte advised that the budget would be monitored. There is a need to advertise the new programs at the complex. Administration indicated that the amount provided in the 2011 budget was reasonable. Council asked that the details of the advertising initiatives that make up the \$12,000 budgeted amount be brought before Council for review.

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Pillon seconded:

That the Recreation budget be held in abeyance until such time as Administration provides Council with an itemized report on the advertising budget (Budget Line 36) for review.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

b) Parks & Grounds

Tony DeThomasis circulated a handout representing Recreation Facilities Comparison – April 2010.

In response to a question from Deputy Mayor Sutherland, Tony DeThomasis noted that he would refer to the General Ledger and bring back detailed information as to what the expense were that were incurred at Ranta Park.

Deputy Mayor Sutherland moved, Councillor Pouget seconded:

That the Parks & Grounds budget be approved, subject to Administration bringing back a report on the details of the Ranta Park expenses.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

c) Victoria Street Arena

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council approve the department budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

d) UCCU Complex

Pamela Malott, CAO noted that the projections for revenue are optimistic and based on information provided by Nustadia Recreation Inc.

Councillor Pillon moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council approve the department budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Council adjourned for a break at 10:57 a.m.

Councillor Sutton moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

That Council resume at 1:15 a.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Dennis Laporte and Nikole Leblanc reviewed the 2011 Proposed Park and User Fees for the Amherstburg Recreation Complex.

Councillor Pillon moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That the 2011 Proposed Park and User Fees for Amherstburg Recreation Services be received for information.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

e) Development Services

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council approve the department budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

There was discussion with regard to the Heritage Committees request for \$2,000 which is noted for the War of 1812 and 2012 conference host prep and any duplication between the Tourism Department and Heritage Committee. It was noted that all events related to the War of 1812 should be from the Tourism Department, with input from Committees.

Councillor Sutton moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

Committee Budget, Line Item 25 be moved to Cultural Services department budget.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Pamela Malott referred to Committee budget Line 8 and that the ACE Committee member would attend the Latornell Symposium. She recommended that the budget line be reduced to \$2,000.00.

Councillor Pouget moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

That the budgeted ACE Committee Budget be reduced to \$2,000.00.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Councillor Sutton moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

That Council recess for lunch at 12:28 p.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Council reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Sutherland moved, Councillor Pillon seconded:

That Council resume at 1:05 p.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

e) Police Department

The Police Budget would be discussed at the March 24, 2011 budget meeting.

f) K. Walter Ranta Marina

Deputy Mayor Sutherland moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council approve the department budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

LONG TERM DEBT PAYMENTS

Councillor Pouget moved, Councillor Sutton seconded:

That Council receive the Long Term Debt Payment schedule, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

REVENUE ON TAXES, DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE, NON-TAX REVENUE

Councillor Pouget moved, Councillor DiPasquale seconded:

That Council receive the Revenue on Taxes, Departmental Revenue and Non-Tax Revenue schedules, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

g) Water Department

Councillor Davies moved, Councillor Sutton seconded:

That Council approve the department budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

h) Wastewater Budget (Sanitary Sewer)

Councillor Pouget moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council approve the Wastewater (Sanitary Sewer) departmental budget, as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously

SURPLUS CALCULATION

Councillor DiPasquale moved, Deputy Mayor Sutherland seconded:

That Council receive the information.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

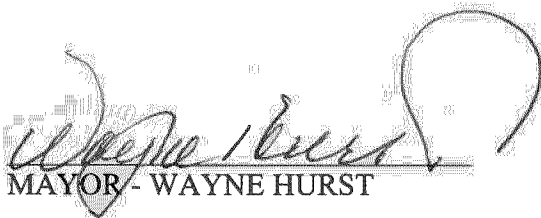
ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Sutton moved, Councillor Davies seconded:

That Council rise and adjourn at 2:15 p.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried


MAYOR - WAYNE HURST


CLERK - BRENDA M. PERCY