



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION #4

OPERATING BUDGET MEETING

St. Clair Township Civic Centre
February 20, 2020
5:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of Council was held Thursday, February 20, 2020 at the Council Chambers in Mooretown at 5:00 p.m. with the following people present:

S. Arnold	Mayor
S. Miller	Deputy Mayor
R. Atkins	Councillor
P. Brown	Councillor
J. De Gurse	Councillor
T. Kingston	Councillor
B. Myers	Councillor

Staff:

J. Rodey	CAO
J. Baranek	Clerk
C. Quenneville	Treasurer
G. Lozon	Deputy Treasurer
B. Black	Director of Public Works
W. Anderson	Fire Chief
K. Lindsay	Director of Community Services
C. Westbrook	Coord. of Operations (Water)
D. Neely	Coord. of Operations (Roads)
P. DaSilva	Coord. of Engineering

AGENDA:

1. Opening Remarks

John Rodey, CAO
Charlie Quenneville, Treasurer

2. Operating Budget

- a) FIRE DEPARTMENT
- b) COMMUNITY SERVICES
- c) PUBLIC WORKS, WATER AND SANITARY
- d) ADMINISTRATION
- e) CAPITAL, DONATIONS REVIEW, RESERVES

3. New Business

4. **Adjournment**

Mayor Arnold called the meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.

1. **OPENING REMARKS**

The budget for 2020 is impacted by many factors not within the control of the municipality. Among those influences are an increase in insurance premiums of \$87,210; an increase on the waste management contract of \$133,000; an increase in the contracts for the SCRCA and the OPP; and an anticipated assessment reduction for the ongoing demolition at OPG expected to be approximately \$120,000. Further, the ongoing need for increased cyber security and the escalating cost of Microsoft licensing also influence the budget for 2020.

The original Operating Budget submitted by staff showed an increase of \$1,037,705 which has since been reduced to \$682,960.

2. **OPERATING BUDGET**

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by J. De Gurse

Motion 1 Be it resolved that Capital Projects 2020-302 and 2020-305 remain in the Budget for 2020, subject to an additional \$15,000 contribution from the Development Charges reserve.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Brown

Seconded by T. Kingston

Motion 2 Be it resolved that the balance to cover Capital Projects 2020-302 and 2020-305 be taken from the surplus of funds which resulted from the low tender for the Pretty Road Bridge tender.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Brown

Seconded by J. De Gurse

Motion 3 Be it resolved that the Township not donate funds to Royal Canadian Legion Branch 18 in Wallaceburg.

DEFEATED

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by R. Atkins

Motion 4 Be it resolved that the donations list for the 2020 year be approved as proposed, subject to the following amendments:

Janet Sterling – Beautification	+ \$1,000
Legion Branch 18	+ \$2,500

CARRIED

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

Moved by T. Kingston

Seconded by B. Myers

Motion 5 Be it resolved that the Brigden School be authorized to use their excess funds from a Township donation to purchase materials for a special education program.

CARRIED

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by P. Brown

Motion 6 Be it resolved that the Operating Budget for 2020 be approved subject to the above amendments.

CARRIED

Seeing no other business to conduct:

Moved by R. Atkins

Seconded by S. Miller

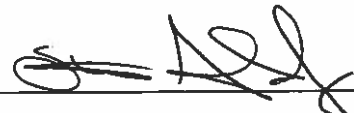
Motion 7 Be it resolved that the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Clerk - Jeff Baranek



Mayor - Steve Arnold

