

**ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MINUTES
SESSION # 16**

St. Clair Civic Centre
Council Chambers
September 18, 2007
5:30 p.m.

A special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair called by the Mayor was held this evening to review the draft of the 2008/2009 Capital Budget with the following members present:

	S. Arnold	Mayor
	P. Gilliland,	Deputy Mayor
	P. Carswell-Alexander,	Councillor
	P. Brown,	“
	D. Randell,	“
	S. Miller,	“
	J. Agar,	“
Staff:	J. Rodey,	CAO
	J. DeMars,	Director of Administration/Clerk/
	R. Kerr	Director of Public Works
	R. Dewhirst	Director of Emergency Services
	C. Quenneville	Director of Finance
	G. Hackett	Director of Community Services
	L. Burnham	Director of Engineering

AGENDA:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. and asked members of Council to declare any possible conflicts of interest at the appropriate time.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None declared.

CAO John Rodey and Director of Financial Services Charles Quenneville made opening remarks relative to the budget and it was pointed out that the budget format has been changed this year compared to that in other years and that the budget being considered by Council is a 2 year Capital Budget covering the budget years of 2008 and 2009. Budget items have been identified but not prioritized by staff.

Moved by P. Gilliland
That the 2008 Capital Budget be increased by \$600,000 over the 2007 level, to be raised from tax revenue.

Seconded by J. Agar

DEFEATED

Moved by P. Carswell
That the previous motion be tabled pending full budget deliberations.

Seconded by S. Miller

DEFEATED

Council reviewed the draft budget as presented by the appropriate department heads. At the conclusion of the budget deliberation, Council directed the department heads to review the draft budget, prioritize capital spending by category, with a recommendation as to the spending of the \$300,000 discretionary spending as identified in the Mayor's report on the Capital Budgeting process tabled earlier this year.

Moved by S. Miller
That the draft 2008/2009 Capital Budget be tabled for staff review with a reconsideration at the October meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

Seconded by P. Brown

CARRIED

In discussion of other business, Council was advised by the Clerk a request that was received from the OPP regarding improved signage and traffic flow on Lyndoch Street for emergency vehicles and the request for parking prohibition at the exit of the plaza where the OPP satellite office is located.

Moved by P. Carswell

Seconded by S. Miller

That as requested by OPP, appropriate signage be ordered and installed at the entrance and exit to the OPP facility on Lyndoch street and further that the Clerk be instructed to prepare the necessary By-law authorizing the traffic control signage for consideration at its next meeting.

CARRIED

Moved by P. Carswell

Seconded by P. Gilliland

That the meeting enter an in-camera session to discuss a personnel issue with the Mayor as chair.

CARRIED

Meeting returned to order.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by S. Miller

Seconded by D. Randell

That the meeting do hereby adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK