

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY, 2013 11 27

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve P. Vos called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

PRESENT

P. Vos, Reeve
R. Moir, Councillor
M. Thompson, Councillor
M. Gressler, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
S. Mahan, Councillor
K. Westerlund, Councillor
M. Schoeninger, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Robinson, Executive Assistant
R. Ennis, Director of Community Services
J. Evasiuk, Director of Public Works and Infrastructure
J. Sweeney, Safety Coordinator
B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services
T. Thomson, Fire Chief
B. Molcak, Information Technology
W. Nickel, Finance Coordinator

ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition to and Adoption of Agenda

978/13 Moved by S. Mahan to approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M. Schoeninger circulated the Re-Inspection Schedule for the County.

B. Christie provided Council with a brief explanation on the principles of assessment, taxation and market values.

M. Schoeninger summarized the budget items discussed at the November 26, 2013 Budget meeting.

Eleanor Pickup Arts Center - request for \$500,000 to assist with the renovations on the building

979/13 Moved by M. Thompson to table further discussion on the Eleanor Pickup Arts Center until November 28, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

980/13 Moved by M. Thompson to advertise the Committee Meeting list in the Western Review and the Breton Booster at whatever the cost.

IN FAVOUR: M. Thompson
S. Mahan
P. Vos
R. Moir
M. Gressler

OPPOSED: K. Westerlund
A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Corporate Services

B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services presented the Corporate Services portion of the 2014-2015 Proposed Annual Budget.

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 10:01 am and the meeting resumed at 10:10 am.

Fire Services

T. Thomson, Fire Chief presented the Fire Services portion of the 2014-2015 Proposed Annual Budget.

General Legislative

B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services presented the General Legislative portion of the 2014-2015 Proposed Annual Budget.

Insurance for Community Groups (Additional Named Insured – ANI's) provision of insurance or grant for separate insurance.

981/13 Moved by R. Moir to proceed to move the Additional Named Insured to private insurance in 2014, with the option of applying for funding assistance for 4 years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

982/13 Moved by M. Gressler to amend the FIN-7 Policy with regard to insurance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rural Communications: should Brazeau County treat it like a utility? Should we increase our infrastructure to provide the conduit for Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to provide improved bandwidth to our residents and businesses? Seek grant funding?

983/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to proceed with Rural Communications Phase I for \$600,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

984/13 Moved by R. Moir that Administration come back with a plan for Phase II for the January 14th Governance and Priority meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Security at Administration Building/PW Facility – increase/decrease current system?

985/13 Moved by S. Mahan to proceed with Option 1 to replace main recorders and purchase converters to continue using current cameras until budget is available to replace with new cameras and to add an additional camera where required up to a maximum of \$40,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Plebiscite for recreation/cultural funding – verbal discussion

986/13 Moved by M. Thompson to add \$25,000 to the budget for 2014 for a plebiscite, if required.

IN FAVOUR: M. Thompson
A. Heinrich
P. Vos
R. Moir

OPPOSED: M. Gressler
S. Mahan
K. Westerlund

CARRIED

RECESS FOR LUNCH 987/13 Moved by M. Thompson that the November 27, 2013 Council Budget Meeting to recess for lunch at 11:56 am.

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve P. Vos called the meeting to order at 12:36 pm.

PRESENT

- P. Vos, Reeve
- R. Moir, Councillor
- M. Thompson, Councillor
- M. Gressler, Councillor
- A. Heinrich, Councillor
- S. Mahan, Councillor
- K. Westerlund, Councillor
- M. Schoeninger, Chief Administrative Officer
- K. Robinson, Executive Assistant
- R. Ennis, Director of Community Services
- J. Evasiuk, Director of Public Works and Infrastructure
- J. Sweeney, Safety Coordinator
- B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services
- M. Galavan, Deputy Fire Chief
- B. Molcak, Information Technology
- W. Nickel, Finance Coordinator

Public Works

J. Evasiuk, Director of Public Works and Infrastructure presented the Public Works portion of the 2014-2015 Proposed Annual Budget.

988/13 Moved by S. Mahan to freeze the water and sewer rates throughout Brazeau County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

989/13 Moved by R. Moir that Administration research the water and sewer rates and bring a report back for the December 17, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Poplar Ridge Master Storm Study - \$60,000 – already in budget

990/13 Moved by S. Mahan to approve the Poplar Ridge Master Storm Study for \$60,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Snow Removal Equipment - \$2.3 million

991/13 Moved by S. Mahan to approve the capital expenditure and personnel for additional snow removal equipment.

IN FAVOUR: S. Mahan
M. Thompson
P. Vos
K. Westerlund
R. Moir
M. Gressler

OPPOSED: A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 1:34 pm and the meeting resumed at 1:44 pm.

Inspection & Enforcement Officer for P & D compliance - \$60,000 – 70,000 – job summary and comparable position posting from the City of Edmonton

992/13 Moved by K. Westerlund to add \$100,000 to the 2014 Budget to for an inspection and compliance position for Planning & Development.

IN FAVOUR: S. Mahan
M. Thompson
P. Vos
K. Westerlund
R. Moir
M. Gressler

OPPOSED: A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Three Mile Fringe Area Master Storm Water Study – joint venture with the Town to provide details during joint Council discussions

993/13 Moved by S. Mahan to add \$90,000 to the 2014 Budget for the three mile fringe area Master Storm Water Engineering Study with points of action with true deliverables.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Off-site Levy Review – joint with Town, Town estimate is \$50,000 – quote from Corvus \$42,300

994/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the off-site levy review from Corvus for \$42,300.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Carryover on grant to Drayton Valley for Water Treatment Plant – Regional Water – already in budget – potential overage – Town may see overage of \$1.5 M – additional \$300,000 from County – confirmed – John and Marco to follow up

995/13 Moved by S. Mahan to add \$300,000 to the 2014 Budget from restricted surplus for the potential overage for the Water Treatment Plant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agreement for access to transfer stations in annexed area – multiyear agreement or not? Letter of proposal to the Town

996/13 Moved by R. Moir to enter into a multiyear agreement with the Town for access to the transfer stations in the annexed area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wastewater Infiltration Study – joint with Town of Drayton Valley - \$50,000 (our share) from Town estimate attached, Town to provide details during joint Council discussions

997/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Water Master Plan – joint with Town of Drayton Valley - \$100,000 - \$50,000 Grant & \$25,000 our share from Town estimate attached, Town to provide details during joint Council discussions

998/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to approve \$20,000 be added to the 2014 Budget for Water Master Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wastewater Master Plan – joint with Town of Drayton Valley - \$100,000 - \$50,000 Grant & \$25,000 our share from Town estimate attached, Town to provide details during joint Council discussions

999/13 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Regional Drainage Master Plan – joint with Town of Drayton Valley - \$100,000 - \$50,000 Grant & \$25,000 our share from Town estimate attached, Town to provide details during joint Council discussions

1000/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Hamlet Cleanup Program - \$4,000 - \$7,400 per Hamlet –

1001/13 Moved by R Moir to approve a legal action plan for both the landowner and the squatter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1002/13 Moved by M. Gressler that Administration research additional bins at the transfer stations for toxic roundup.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Use Bylaw – brand new \$65,000

1003/13 Moved by K. Westerlund to add to the budget \$65,000 for a new Land Use Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 3:06 pm and the meeting resumed at 3:14 pm.

Guard Rails on the Ring Road curve – cost estimate

1004/13 Moved by S. Mahan that Administration research costs for guard rails on the Ring Road curve and bring a report to the January 21, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Updating the Cost estimate for the ring road walkway

1005/13 Moved by M. Gressler that Administration research a concept plan for a walk way for the Ring Road and bring back in January, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fundraiser at the Legion Hall – turkey dinner to raise money for the hurricane victims in the Philippines for \$250.00

1006/13 Moved by S. Mahan to donate \$250.00 to the Red Cross for the Turkey dinner fundraiser for the hurricane victims in the Philippines.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Twp. 484 – RR 81

1007/13 Moved by R. Moir to add Twp. 484/RR 81 to the road list.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Affordable Housing –

1008/13 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No Revenue Sharing –

1009/13 Moved by M. Gressler to remove the Cost and Revenue Sharing report from the December 9, 2013 joint Council meeting with the Town and reschedule to January.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Road Maintenance – Dust Control -

1010/13 Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration research road maintenance and dust control and bring a report back to Council at the end of February, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT **1011/13** Moved by K. Westerlund that the Council Budget Meeting of November 27, 2013 adjourn at 4:15 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer