

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL (BUDGET) MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2012 AT THE HOUR OF 7:00 P.M. IN THE MEETING HALL OF THE WHITBY MUNICIPAL BUILDING

PRESENT: Mayor Perkins
Mayor Perkins in the Chair

Councillor Coe
Councillor Drumm
Councillor Emm
Councillor Hanson
Councillor Mitchell
Councillor Montague
Councillor Roy

STAFF PRESENT: R. Petrie, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Beale, Commissioner of Public Works
M. Gerrard, Fire Chief
P. LeBel, Commissioner of Community & Marketing Services
K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer
S. Pohjola, Town Solicitor
R. Short, Commissioner of Planning
D. Wilcox, Town Clerk
M. Pettit, Deputy Clerk

1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Drumm made a declaration of interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* with respect to the 2012 Current and Capital budgets concerning the Whitby Public Library as he has a family member employed by the Whitby Public Library and Iroquois Park Sports Complex (IPSC) as he has a family member who is married to an employee of the IPSC. Councillor Drumm did not take part in the discussion on these matters.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-12

MOVED by Councillor Coe
Seconded by Councillor Hanson

That Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Roy, Chair of Treasury Services, in the Chair for the purpose of receiving a presentation from the Chief Administrative Officer on the 2012 Recommended Budget Target.

CARRIED

Councillor Roy in the Chair.

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2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 2012 Current and Capital Budgets – Establishment of Tax Rate
– Verbal Update from the Chief Administrative Officer

R. Petrie, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a detailed overview with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation on the 2012 Recommended Budget Target.

A detailed question and answer period ensued with respect to the following; clarification of commercial rate comparators, benchmarking, uncommitted reserves, legislative requirements and their impacts on the municipality, accessibility initiatives, development charges, assessment growth and investments.

RECOMMENDATION

MOVED by Councillor Mitchell

That staff be directed to bring forward a 2012 Budget with a net tax increase below 3% and provide Council with recommendations on how to achieve this target.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Drumm
Seconded by Councillor Coe

That the Committee of the Whole rise and report to Council.

CARRIED

Council was now in an open session of Council.

Mayor Perkins in the Chair.

3. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION NO. 20-12

MOVED by Councillor Emm seconded by Councillor Coe that leave be granted to introduce a by-law and to dispense with the reading of the by-law by the Clerk to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Whitby at its special meeting held on January 18, 2012, and that the same be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed and that the Mayor and the Clerk sign the same and the Seal of the Corporation be thereto affixed.

CARRIED

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4. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 21-12

MOVED by Councillor Drumm

Seconded by Councillor Coe

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Debi A. Wilcox, Town Clerk

Patricia Perkins, Mayor