

## **MINUTES**

### **BUDGET MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**2007 04 10**

**3:30 P.M.**

### **COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, L. Turco, B. Hayes, D. Celetti, O. Grandinetti, S. Myers, L. Tridico, F. Fata, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, F. Manzo, P. Mick

**OFFICIALS:** J. Fratesi, M. White, L. Bottos, B. Freiburger, S. McLellan, B. Davies, J. Dolcetti, N. Apostle, W. Eisenbichler, D. Elliott, P. McAuley, L. Luszka, L. McCoy

1. **Yearend Reserve Transfers**

The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Tridico

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2007 04 10 concerning Yearend Transfers to Reserves be accepted and the recommendations contained therein be approved. CARRIED.

2. **2007 Tax Capping Options**

The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council. The relevant By-laws 2007-57 and 2007-58 are listed under Item 8 of the Minutes.

3. **Accounting for Major Tax Appeals in 2006**

The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2007 04 10 concerning Major Tax Appeals be accepted as information. CARRIED.

4. Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
*Resolved that City Council now proceed into the Committee of the Whole to consider the following matter referred to it for consideration – 2007 Budget Deliberations. CARRIED.*

5. Moved by Councillor L. Tridico  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
*Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council now rise and report on the matter referred to it by City Council – 2007 Budget Deliberations. CARRIED.*

6. **2007 Budget**

The reports of the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer and the Manager of Budgets and Revenue were accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2007 04 10 concerning the 2007 Budget be accepted as presented and the 2007 Budget with a total combined urban residential tax rate increase of 2.83% be approved; and  
Further that 2006 budget surplus of \$822,986.00 be allocated as follows:  
Surplus Towards Levy \$530,000.00  
Assessment Reserve \$252,986.00  
EDC External Consultant Review \$ 40,000.00 CARRIED.

**Recorded Vote**

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, L. Turco, B. Hayes, S. Myers, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, P. Mick

Against: Councillors D. Celetti, O. Grandinetti, L. Tridico, F. Fata, F. Manzo

Absent: Nil

7. Moved by Councillor S. Myers  
Seconded by Councillor T. Sheehan  
Resolved that Agenda Item 7 BE AMENDED by adding the Youth Council staff position as an ongoing item added to the levy. DEFEATED.

7. Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco  
Whereas there is a report on the table setting the tax increase at 2.83%; and  
Whereas the report recommends no supplemental or ongoing increase;  
Now therefore be it resolved that Council approve the report on the table.  
CARRIED.

**Recorded Vote**

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, B. Hayes, S. Myers, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, P. Mick

Against: Councillors L. Turco, D. Celetti, O. Grandinetti, L. Tridico, F. Fata, F. Manzo

Absent: Nil

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor S. Myers  
Resolved that City Council recommends to the Sault Ste. Marie Economic Development Corporation that the \$246,000.00 budget item for Development Sault Ste. Marie be considered for funding from the Economic Diversification Fund should the Economic Development Corporation place a high priority on the item. CARRIED.

Councillor O. Grandinetti declared a pecuniary interest - spouse works for Economic Development Corporation.

**Recorded Vote**

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, B. Hayes, S. Myers, F. Fata, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, P. Mick

Against: Councillors L. Turco, D. Celetti, L. Tridico, F. Manzo

Absent: Nil

8. **Consideration and Passing of By-laws**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that all the by-laws listed under Item 8 of the Agenda under date 2007 04 10 be approved. CARRIED.

(a) Moved by Councillor L. Tridico

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that By-law 2007-57 being a by-law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for eligible properties within the meaning of Section 331 (New Construction) for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes be read three times and passed in Open Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007. CARRIED.

(b) Moved by Councillor L. Tridico

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that By-law 2007-58 being a by-law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes be read three times and passed in Open Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007. CARRIED.

9. Moved by Councillor L. Tridico

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Pursuant to Section 69 (2) of the Municipal Act; Resolved that Councillor Susan Myers be appointed Acting Mayor for the period April 13, 2007 until Mayor Rowswell's permanent return (Mayor Rowswell out of the country). CARRIED.

10. Moved by Councillor L. Tridico

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

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"Susan Myers"

**ACTING MAYOR**

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"Malcolm White"

**DEPUTY CITY CLERK**