



BUDGET MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

4:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

Civic Centre

Present: Mayor C. Provenzano, Councillor S. Butland, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor J. Hupponen, Councillor M. Shoemaker, Councillor L. Turco, Councillor R. Niro, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor F. Fata, Councillor R. Romano

Absent: Councillor S. Myers, Councillor J. Krmpotich

Officials: A. Horsman, R. Tyczinski, N. Kenny, L. Girardi, N. Apostle, S. Schell, J. Dolcetti, M. Figliola, M. Nadeau, P. Niro, F. Coccimiglio, R. Toth-Rissanen, R. Keetch, S. Sparling, A. Koppens, M. Ward, J. Bruzas, P. Liepa

1. APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Moved by: Councillor J. Hupponen

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the Agenda for 2016 03 08 Budget Meeting as presented be approved.

Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor L. Turco – Police

Spouse employed by Police Services

Councillor R. Romano – Art Gallery of Algoma

Spouse member board of directors, Art Gallery of Algoma

2. CURRENT BUDGET

2.1 Levy Impact Update

The Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer provided an overview of the levy impact of the 2016 Operating Budget.

2.2 Additional Service Options – 2016 Budget

The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer concerning Additional Service Options – 2016 Budget was received.

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by: Councillor R. Romano

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2016 03 08 concerning additional service options in the amount of \$1,045,925 be approved except reduction to Economic Diversification Fund.

Carried

2.3 2016 Applications for Financial Assistance through the City's Financial Assistance Policy for Sustaining and Other Grants

The report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning was received.

Moved by: Councillor J. Hupponen

Seconded by: Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning dated 2016 03 08 concerning 2016 applications for financial assistance through the City's Financial Assistance Policy for Sustaining and Other Grants be received and the recommendations on the supporting attachment be approved.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that City Council now proceed into the Committee of the Whole to consider the following matter referred to it for consideration – 2016 Budget Deliberations.

Carried

2.4 Correspondence

The document "Comparative Taxation and Tax Competitiveness" authored by M. Ward, Communication and Policy Advisor, Office of the Mayor, was received.

2.5 Preliminary Budget – Outside Agencies and Grants to Others

2.6 Library

2.7 Police

Councillor L. Turco declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse employed by Police Service.)

The Chief of Police presented an overview of the proposed 2016 Police Department budget.

2.8 Art Gallery of Algoma

Councillor R. Romano declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse is a member of the board of directors of the Art Gallery of Algoma.)

Jasmina Jovanovic, Director and Mark Lepore, President, Art Gallery of Algoma Board was present to answer questions.

2.9 Sault Ste. Marie Museum

Les Weeks, Past President, and Ric Datson, Assistant Curator, Sault Ste. Marie Museum were present to answer questions.

2.10 Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre

Michael Delfre, Executive Director, Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre was present to answer questions.

2.11 Sault Ste. Marie Safe Communities Partnership

Cathy Denommee, President; Kristy Harper, Vice President; Don Swystun, Treasurer; and Deanna Rector, Co-ordinator, Sault Ste. Marie Safe Communities were present.

3. RISE AND REPORT

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by: Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council now rise and report on the matter referred to it by City Council – 2016 Budget Deliberations.

Carried

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Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by: Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council recommend approval of the Library, Art Gallery of Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie Museum, Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre and agencies requesting grants budgets to the final budget deliberation meeting.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor J. Hupponen

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council recommend approval of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Service to the final budget deliberation meeting.

Carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn.

Carried

Christian Provenzano

Mayor

Rachel Tyczinski

Deputy City Clerk