



**The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie**  
**Budget Meeting of City Council**  
**Minutes**

Monday, February 4, 2019

4:30 pm

Council Chambers

Civic Centre

Present: Mayor C. Provenzano, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor L. Dufour, Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen, Councillor D. Hilsinger, Councillor M. Shoemaker, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor R. Niro, Councillor C. Gardi, Councillor M. Scott

Officials: A. Horsman, M. White, T. Vair, L. Girardi, P. Johnsons, K. Fields, S. Schell, P. Niro, D. McConnell, B. Lamming, S. Hamilton Beach, D. Elliott, M. Borowicz-Sibenik, F. Coccimiglio, J. Bruzas, B. Madonna, R. Madonna, N. Grisdale, K. Fisher, J. King, A. Shier, C. Rumeil, M. McAuley, C. Taddo, M. Blanchard, A. Starzomski, T. Reid, P. White, M. Pinder, S. Cole, P. Milosevich, L. McMillan

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**1. Approve Agenda as Presented**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

That the Agenda and Addendum for the February 4, 2019 Budget meeting as presented be approved.

**Carried**

**2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

**2.1 Councillor R. Niro - Capital Budget Deliberations**

Councillor Niro declared a pecuniary interest on any discussion and voting concerning the Fire Services capital budget request - brother is employed by Fire Services.

**3. Staff Reports Provided for the Information of Council**

**3.1 Budget Input 2019**

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour  
Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the report of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer dated 2019 02 04 regarding 2019 Budget Input be received as information.

**Carried**

**3.2 OMPF Allocation Update 2019**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen  
Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the report of the Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer dated February 4, 2019 regarding the 2019 OMPF Allocation update be received as information.

**Carried**

**3.3 Corporate Membership Fees 2019**

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour  
Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Deputy City Clerk dated 2019 02 04 concerning 2019 corporate membership fees be received and that payment of 2019 memberships in the amount of \$37,834 be approved, with \$6,200 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities referred as a supplementary budget request.

**Carried**

**4. Current Budget**

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour  
Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that City Council now proceed into Committee of the Whole to consider the following matter referred to it for consideration – 2019 Budget.

**Carried**

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Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council now rise and report on the matter referred to it by City Council – 2019 Budget.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that the 2019 capital budget and financing sources as outlined in the 2019 Capital Summary in Appendix A be approved with the following changes:

Reduce cost and funding for Online Building Permit system from \$100k to \$50k

Fund 1 of 3 pedestrian crossovers---- at \$30k

resulting in a total unfunded capital amount of \$1,045,000

Council directs staff to utilize internal debt financing to fund the total unfunded capital amount of \$1,045,000 to be paid back through the possible 2018 surplus in accordance with the surplus policy of 30% towards internal debt and 30% capital allocation, with any amounts that are not funded through the 2018 surplus being added to the 2019 operating budget.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the preliminary 2019 corporate operating budget be approved with the following adjustments:

Decreases - Capital budget operating impact \$38k

LED repayment \$440K

Increases

Transit summer service \$300k

Chief Technology Officer \$75k

Clergue skating trail \$36k

By-law officer \$88k

Increase complement Old Stone House 2 Part-time net of revenue \$13k

Mayor's Bawating Advisory Council \$10k

resulting in an increase in the corporate portion of the municipal levy from 2018 of 2.55 %

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the 2019 preliminary budget for the Outside Agency and Levy Boards be approved with the following changes:

Increases - Museum operating grant \$25k

Public Library Board - one time reserve \$200k

Decreases - Public Library Board operating request \$129k

resulting in an increase to the Outside Agency and Levy Board portion of the municipal levy from 2018 of 0.99 %.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

Resolved that overall 2019 municipal levy (corporate and levy and local boards) of \$114,995,220 be approved.

**Carried**

**4.1 Corporate Services**

**4.2 Community Development and Enterprise Services**

**4.3 Public Works and Engineering Services**

**4.4 Legal Department**

**4.5 Fire Services**

**4.6 Capital Budget Deliberations**

Councillor R. Niro declared a conflict on this item. (Councillor Niro declared a pecuniary interest on any discussion and voting concerning the Fire Services capital budget request - brother is employed by Fire Services.)

**4.7 Operating Budget Deliberations**

**4.7.1 Additional Information (Proposed Motions – Councillor Shoemaker)**

**4.7.2 Additional Information – Fringe North International Theatre Festival**

**5. Ontario Regulation 284/09**

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, dated 2019 02 04, concerning Ontario Regulation 284/09 be approved for the budget year 2019.

**Carried**

**6. Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor R. Niro

That this Council shall now adjourn.

**Carried**

“Christian Provenzano”

Mayor

“Malcolm White”

City Clerk