



City of Brockville Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2015, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Council Chambers

Council Minutes

Council Members Present:

Mayor D. Henderson
Councillor T. Blanchard
Councillor P. Deery
Councillor J. Earle
Councillor J. Fullarton
Councillor M. Kalivas
Councillor D. LeSueur

Absent:

Councillor J. Baker
Councillor L. Bursey

Staff:

Mr. B. Casselman, City Manager
Mr. C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations
Mr. D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services
Ms. L. Ferguson, Manager of Finance
Ms. S. MacDonald, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Ms. M. Pascoe Merkley, Director of Planning
Mr. D. Paul, Director of Economic Development
Mr. G. Pigeon, Fire Chief
Mr. P. Raabe, Director of Environmental Services
Ms. C. Ward, Financial Analyst

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Nil.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

STAFF REPORTS

1. 2016 Budget Guidelines

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT Council approve the following guidelines for the 2016 budget:

- Departmental budgets based upon existing service levels.
 - New services previously approved (GIS) by Council accounted for in existing budget.
 - Any amendments resulting from new legislation, Council direction or incremental requests presented separately
 - continue their review of User Fees taking into consideration legislation and benchmark positions
- 2016 Levy Increase is not to exceed 3.00%
- City wide net operating budgets are not to exceed 2.00%
- Boards and Committees requests should not exceed 2.00%
 - contributions beyond 2% require separate presentations will need to be made to council
- increase the contribution to the Finance Plan by \$300,000 in support of both tactical and strategic capital needs
 - additional contribution to arena reserve and long-term capital replacements in water and wastewater systems
- recommendations on how to utilize Federal Gas Tax in conjunction with funding eligible capital projects
- SCIF and OCIF capital projects will continue to be presented to council based on staff recommendations and timing of applications

CARRIED ON A LATER VOTE

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

WHEREAS the total increase to funding capital programs in the 2016 Budget Guidelines is \$400,000 (\$300,000 - Finance Plan and \$100,000 - contribution to arena reserve); and

WHEREAS the intent of resolutions passed by Council in previous years was to have a total contribution of \$300,000 (including the contribution to the Arena reserve);

NOWTHEREFORE Council direct that the \$300,000 contribution (increase) to the Finance Plan be reduced by \$100,000 and the contribution to the Arena reserve be maintained at \$100,000.

DEFERRED

Motion to Defer

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the motion to reduce the contribution to the Finance Plan be deferred until the capital budget discussions.

CARRIED

The vote on the original motion was now taken and the motion was carried.

BY-LAWS

Nil

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT By-law Number 079-2015 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on September 15, 2015 be read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

CARRIED

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for September 22, 2015.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Mayor

City Clerk