

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST NIPISSING / LA CORPORATION DE LA MUNICIPALITÉ DE NIPISSING OUEST

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 2018 AT 6:30 PM

PRESENT: MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE

COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME
COUNCILLOR GUY FORTIER
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE
COUNCILLOR LEO MALETTE
COUNCILLOR JAMIE RESTOULE
COUNCILLOR NORMAND ROBERGE
COUNCILLOR GUILLES TESSIER

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR DENISE BRISSON

A) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / DÉCLARATION D'INTÉRÊTS PÉCUNIAIRES

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

B) ADOPTION OF AGENDA / CONFIRMATION DE L'ORDRE DU JOUR

B-1 A resolution was passed to approve the Addendum.

No. 2018/38

Moved by: Councillor Tessier

Seconded by: Councillor Fortier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the Special Meeting of Council held on February 10, 2018 be adopted as **■** presented / □ amended.

CARRIED

C) 2018 BUDGET PRESENTATION / PRÉSENTATION BUDGÉTAIRES POUR L'ANNÉE 2018

- The Chief Administrative Officer opened the meeting by providing an overview of the 2018 Budget process followed by a brief recap of the challenges and efficiencies of 2017. The CAO also provided an overview of the 2017 reserve position and, in particular, made note of the amount being carried over for the Nature's Trail Bridge.
- The Director of Corporate Services presented a summary of the municipality's debt position and a summary of the reserves
- The Director of Corporate Services presented animal control, police and Au Chateau; however it
 was noted that the Au Chateau levy is unknown at this time; police will be presenting their
 budget at the February 20th meeting;
- The Director of Corporate Services presented the General Government Budget highlighting increases in revenue for 2017 based on unforeseen revenue in supplemental which is not anticipated to be sustained; council requested information on upgrades to the sound system for council chamber;
- The Public Works Manager, Shawn Remillard, presented the 2017 proposed public works budget. The decrease in revenues are attributable to the new entrance policy; however the same policy has resulted in a significant change in material expenditures; the pw manager outlined the plan to slowly transition the maintenance of the connecting link to begin with Hwy 64 this coming year which will involve the purchase of a structure to house salt storage; the Director of Corporate Services provided a summary of the funding and transfer to reserves for PW.
- The Director of Library Services presented the budget for the West Nipissing Public Library;
- The Director of Community Services and Economic Development presented the Community Services, highlighting changes in revenues for the various areas resulting in a slight surplus; 2018 revenues are anticipated to be slightly lower due to changes in hours of programming in different

facilities; increases in HR due to reorganization and changes in minimum wage; the Director emphasized that there is a need to continue to increase the capital reserve to ensure that future capital purchases can be achieved; council indicated a wish to have dedicated summer students for beautification; staff were directed to see if grants can be obtained for summer students for the individual community projects/beautification and/or children's programming to be determined once grant monies are known

- Chief Maranda presented the WN Fire Services budget indicating increases in revenue to Fire Marque; increases in salaries and wages due to the collective agreement; promotions and a proposed part-time administrative assistant; increases in telecommunication are required to upgrade paging equipment; in addition an increase in capital reserves were requested to plan for ageing fleet.
- The Clerk/Planner provided an overview of the Planning/Building Budget; Building revenue will
 depend on the outcome of the discussions concerning fees; planning fees are down in 2017 and
 anticipated to remain slightly lower for 2018; Human Resources costs are up due to Community
 Service restructuring.
- The Director of Community Services presented the Economic Development Budget; a large component of which is the municipal contribution to IPM as well as revenues; The West Nipissing Hospital and Health Centre have requested an increase in funding to assist in doctor recruitment; the director suggested that the director of the Health Centre and the CEO of the Hospital make a delegation to Council to further explain the increased funding request. It was suggested that the IPM budget be clarified and expanded as well as other community projects.
- It was requested that availability be sought for the evenings of February 21st and 22nd.

D) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

D-1 A resolution was passed to adopt By-law 2018/08 to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Budget meeting.

No. 2018/39

Moved by: Councillor Fortier Seconded by: Councillor Tessier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2018/08 being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 10th day of February 2018, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

D-2 A resolution was passed to adjourn the meeting.

No. 2018/40

Moved by: Councillor Tessier Seconded by: Councillor Fortier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Special Budget meeting of Council held on February 10, 2018 be adjourned.

CARRIED

JOANNE SAVAGÉ

MAYOR

MELANIE DUCHARME

CLERK