



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES

Monday, May 13, 2024, 6:30 P.M.
Main Level Chambers

PRESENT: D. O'Mara, J. Koistinen, M. Youngs, J. Platts, W. Gustavson, C. Lowery, B. Koski

STAFF: S. Pandolfo, N. Claveau, B. Turcotte, J. Sanderson, Peter Christie, C. Kramer

PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING

THE PURPOSE of this meeting of Council was for Council to discuss the 2024 Draft Municipal Budget (Capital and Operating).

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor O'Mara called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm. There were 29 people in the audience and 7 online. The Mayor informed those present that the meeting was being recorded. He also informed members of the public that the meeting was for Council to discuss the initial draft of the budget and that there will be future opportunities for public input. The Mayor called the Roll.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

24-214

MOVED BY: M. Youngs

SECONDED BY: Brian Koski

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Special Council Meeting Agenda dated May 13, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OR PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

The Mayor requested disclosure of pecuniary interest. There were no disclosures made.

DELEGATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Draft 2024 Municipal Budget

Acting Administrator Sabrina Pandolfo gave a brief overview of the aspects of the draft budget, including the mandated expenditures.

Operating Budget - Expenses and Revenues

Deputy-Mayor Koistinen went through the various sections of the operating budget, by department as provided in the agenda package, and provided explanations for some of the items. The Deputy-Mayor, Councillor Koski, and Acting Administrator Sabrina Pandolfo (the Budget Committee) answered questions from Council. They also explained that the projected revenues in the draft budget as presented were calculated based on a zero percent tax increase at this time.

Capital Requirements - Tied to Funding or Mandated Items

Acting Administrator Sabrina Pandolfo explained that the items on this list are related to projects that are already ongoing, or are mandated. It was clarified that the water costs are paid by those properties on the water system. Council reviewed how the various items would be funded or paid for through loans.

Discretionary Capital Projects

Council discussed the list of discretionary capital projects that was provided in the agenda package. Council discussed the potential sources of funding for this list of projects and acknowledged that the NORDS, OCIF and Gas Tax funding identified on this list are not currently included in the budgeted revenues, and that a 1% increase in the tax rate would equal about \$40,000, which could be applied to discretionary projects. Council also discussed the potential for use of existing reserves to fund the discretionary capital projects. Council was also informed that if any of the projects conditional upon funding approval do not receive funding, they would then be added to the list of discretionary capital projects.

Members of the Budget Committee and Staff answered questions from Council about projects on the list. Council discussed the need to prioritize items on the list, due to the lack of funds to complete all of them, and the need for more details before they can prioritize the projects on the list. It was requested that Department Heads prepare additional information for Council including more details about each project and a suggested prioritization, along with the criteria for that prioritization and the possible timelines for each of the projects, to be discussed by Council at a future meeting.

Council also discussed how and when Council would be seeking public input on the draft budget.

Expenditures Conditional Upon Funding Approval

It was explained that Council has already approved staff to submit funding applications for the listed projects, and if approved, the Municipality would be required to fund the required municipal portion.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None.

ADJOURNMENT

24-215

MOVED BY: Brian Koski

SECONDED BY: C. Lowery

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 8:44 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk