



The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville
Council Chambers
87 Broadway, Orangeville, Ontario

Minutes
Finance and Administration Committee Budget Meeting

February 23, 2015 – 9:43 p.m.

Members Present

Mayor J. Williams
Deputy Mayor W. Maycock
Councillors: S. Bradley
G. Campbell
N. Garisto
D. Kidd
S. Wilson

Staff Present

Mr. E. Brennan, Acting CAO and Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. S. Greatrix, Clerk
Mr. V. Douglas, Director of Building and By-law Enforcement
Ms. D. Fraser, Chief Librarian
Fire Chief A. Macintosh, Orangeville Fire Services
Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer
Ms. J. Gohn, Manager Human Resources
Ms. K. Mills, Deputy Treasurer
Ms. R. Phillips, Manager, Economic Development

Call to Order

The Chair, Councillor Garisto, called the meeting to order at 9:45 p.m.

Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest None.

Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of Finance and Administration Committee Budget Meeting held on February 9, 2015, were presented.

1 Moved by Councillor Wilson

That the minutes of Finance and Administration Committee Budget Meeting held on February 9, 2015, be adopted.

Carried.

Question Period

Alan Toms, 10 Sunset Drive, L9W 2G9, asked Council if a zero tax rate increase would be established.

Continuation of Operating Budget

0% Tax Rate/Tax Levy

Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, advised that, based on updated information and Council's decisions to date, the change in Town property tax on an average assessment of \$313,701 would result in a change of \$17.66 over 2014.

Cost of Living Allowance

- a. Email, February 6, 2015, Ms. J. Gohn, Manager, Human Resources, was presented.
- b. Council Briefing Notes, February 2, 2015 and February 23, 2015, Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, was presented.

2 Moved by Mayor Williams

That the email provided by Ms. J. Gohn, Manager, Human Resources, dated February 6, 2015, and briefing notes provided by Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, be received;

And that the Cost of Living Adjustment for 2015 of 1.5 % for non-union staff be included in the 2015 budget, starting from July 1, 2015.

Defeated

3 Moved by Councillor Campbell

That the email provided by Ms. J. Gohn, Manager, Human Resources, dated February 6, 2015, and briefing notes provided by Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, be received;

And that the Cost of Living Adjustment for 2015 of 1.5 % for non-union staff be included in the 2015 budget beginning January 1, 2015.

Defeated

4 Moved by Councillor Wilson

That the email provided by Ms. J. Gohn, Manager, Human Resources, dated February 6, 2015, and briefing notes provided by Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, be received;

And that the Cost of Living Adjustment for 2015 of 1.75 % for non-union staff be included in the 2015 budget beginning January 1, 2015.

Carried.

Defibrillators in Municipal Buildings

Council Briefing Note, February 9, 2015, Ms. C. Moran, Health and Safety Officer, was presented.

Alan Toms, 10 Sunset Drive, L9W 2G9, advised that his workplace requires staff to complete annual training for defibrillators and stated that verbal instructions provided by defibrillators are not a replacement for training.

5 Moved by Councillor Campbell

That the briefing note provided by Ms. C. Moran, Health and Safety Officer, be received;

And that two defibrillators be purchased for the Operation Centre and Water Pollution Control Plant at a total cost of approximately \$5,000.00, plus taxes.

Carried.

Timing Issues – Taxation

- a. Council Briefing Note, February 23, 2015, Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, was presented.

6 Moved by Councillor Wilson

That the briefing note, dated February 23, 2015, from Mr. B. Parrott, Treasurer, with respect to timing issues regarding taxation, be received.

Carried.

Committee Discussion

In-Year Savings

Mark Whitcombe, 34 Blind Line, commented that Council was elected to govern and make decisions and that budget decisions need to be made by Council.

7 Moved by Mayor Williams

That a line item of .61% or \$178,345 of in-year savings be included in the 2015 operating budget to achieve a zero % tax rate increase.

Defeated

Orangeville Hydro Dividend

Alan Toms, 10 Sunset Drive, stated that the hydro dividend belongs to the residents who paid for hydro and should not be part of the budget discussions.

8 Moved by Councillor Garisto

That \$178,345 from the hydro dividend be applied to the operating budget to achieve a zero % tax rate increase and that the balance of the hydro dividend be refunded to Orangeville Hydro customers.

Defeated

Adjournment

9 Moved by Deputy Mayor Maycock

That a budget meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee be held on Monday, March 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.;

And that the meeting adjourn.

(Time: 10:59 p.m.)

Carried.

Councillor Nick Garisto, Chair

Susan Greatrix, Clerk