CITY COUNCIL #24-89

October 10th, 1989
6:45 p.m.

A special meeting of City Council was held this evening when the following members were present: His Worship Mayor Phil Poirier, Aldermen T. Green, C. Poirier, A. Lebano, A. Leblanc, T. Lalonde, G. Leger, D. Carr, F. Guindon, R. Lalonde and S. Backs.

Also in attendance were the following administrative personnel: Hugh John Cook, Chief Administrative Officer, Hugh O'Reilly, Director of Community Services, Frank McDonald, Director of Finance and Administration, William Knight, Director of Planning and Engineering, Paul Fitzpatrick, Gene Kiviaho, Dail Levesque, Natalie Fitzharris and Richard Allaire, City Clerk.
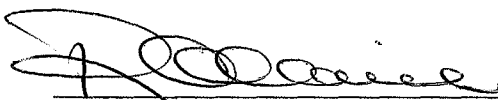
Industrial Park Taxpayers Association

Mr. T.R. Hornby, Chairman, thanked Council for the opportunity to express certain tax concerns his association has. He indicated that the association is comprised of 41 industries. Market value assessment, in 1988, resulted in substantial assessment increases even though many industries had no expansion or alteration done to their operations.
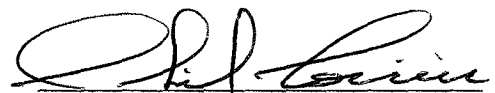
The Chairman advised that, in 1981, the City saw fit to phase in tax increases that resulted in an increase of over 20% and wondered if the City should not be looking at a similar policy for the tax increases this association is facing. He thought that an impact study had been conducted on a ward basis and if so, could the association receive a copy of the study or of the results of Ward One if a study for that ward has been completed. He also asked if the City was considering a new market value assessment for 1991.

After Council had had an opportunity to question the delegation, a motion was moved by Aldermen Green and Leger that this fall's Corporate Planning Session, in Gananoque, include discussions on the impact market value is having on local industries and determine if a policy should be established for future market value assessments.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Clerk

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Mayor

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ACTION TAKEN: _____

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