



SPECIAL COUNCIL # 18

BUDGET MEETING # 10

Tuesday, March 26, 2002
Meeting began at 7:25 p.m.

PRESENT: A Special Budget meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and André Rivette

REGRETS: Councillor Korey Kennedy

ADMINISTRATION: Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Graham Dart, Deputy Clerk, and the following Management Personnel: Stephen Alexander, Susan Cain, Debora Daigle, Roger Desjardins, David Dick, David Fielding, Paul Fitzpatrick, Sherman Goodwin, Fernand Hamelin, Frances Lafave, Tracy Poirier and Anita Roach

Mayor Brian Sylvester called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

UPDATE OF 2002 BUDGET STATUS

Chief Administrative Officer Cecil Vincent provided Council with an update on the status of the 2002 budget as of this date. He reviewed with Council each option available for consideration.

1. **Projected 2001 Surplus**

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and André Rivette that the projected 2001 surplus of \$300,000 be placed in reserves as per Council policy.

Motion Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS

1. **Sponsorships** - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 001 (EDR # 08-2002)

➔ Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Syd Gardiner that Council receive report EDR # 08-2002 as amended.

Motion Carried

- ➡ Moved by Councillors Susan Carter and Dean Hollingsworth that a committee of three be formed to review and study this matter after the conclusion of the 2002 budget.

Motion Carried

2. Water Agreement - Township of South Stormont - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 002 (EEC # 11-2002)

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and André Rivette that Council receive report EEC # 11-2002.

Motion Carried

3. Cost Variance - Water and Sewer Rates - Unfinished Budget Business Items No. 003 and 004 (FI # 27-2002)

- ➡ Moved by Councillors Donald Deebank and Claude Poirier that Council support option C as outlined in the report on Cost Variance - Water and Sewer Rates.

Motion Defeated

- ➡ Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and André Rivette that Council support option E as outlined in the amended report on Cost Variance - Water and Sewer Rates.

Motion Carried

4. Corporate Communication - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 005

Council reviewed the memorandum dated February 12, 2002, provided by the Manager of Financial Services.

5. True Cost Recoveries - Finance, CAO, Council - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 006

Council reviewed the data provided.

6. Tax Study Comparisons (Fees) - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 007

Council reviewed the information provided.

7. I.T. Software - Electronic Document Management - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 008 (CS.cl # 01-2002)

Council reviewed the report CS.cl # 01-2002.

8. Land Ambulance Services

This issue has been dealt with at the regular Council meeting of March 25, 2002.

9. Cenotaph Repairs - Partnerships and Upkeep - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 010

Council reviewed the memorandum dated February 28, 2002, provided by the Manager of Municipal Works and Services.

10. Guindon Park Operations - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 011 (EDR # 06-2002)

This matter has been dealt with at the regular Council meeting of March 11, 2002.

11. Guindon Park Operations - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 011 (MWS # 08-2002)

This matter has been dealt with at the regular Council meeting of March 11, 2002.

12. Snow Removal - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 012

Council reviewed the memorandum dated February 28, 2002, provided by the Manager of Municipal Works and Services.

13. Transit Services - Unfinished Budget Business Items No. 013 and 015

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Donald Deebank that Dial-a-Bus Service operate from 7:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. Monday to Friday.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Donald Deebank, Perry Lalonde and André Rivette

Against: Councillors Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth, Claude Poirier and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Absent: Councillor Corey Kennedy

Motion Defeated

14. Cornwall Regional Art Gallery Relocation - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 014 (EDR # 05-2002)

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava that Council receive report EDR # 05-2002.

Motion Carried

15. Marina 200 - Unfinished Budget Business Item No. 016 (EDR # 07-2002)

Moved by Councillors André Rivette and Syd Gardiner

- That the following list of expenditures be reduced or eliminated and revenue added in order to decrease the deficit at Marina 200:
 1. Water line for centre docks \$1,000
 2. Re-allocate student subsidy to Marina budget \$1,200
 3. Eliminate Assistant Supervisor rate \$775
 4. Remove truck rental \$5,400
 8. Increase revenue budget for seasonal dockage to 2001 actual \$7,963
- That gasoline be charged at full market value; and
- That Administration prepare a report which would review the feasibility of contracting out the day-to-day operation of the Marina.

Motion Carried

FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES

1. Financial Statements - Sports Organizations

Council reviewed the memorandum dated March 6, 2002, provided by Manager of Financial Services.

2. Downtown and Le Village BIA Levy Requests (PHS # 11-2002)

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Susan Carter

- That Council approve the Le Village BIA levies in the amount of \$20,000; and
- That Council approve the Downtown BIA levies in the amount of \$45,000.

Motion Carried

OTHER

1. Sick Leave Budget

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava

- That Council reduce the sick leave budget by 25%; and
- That Administration provide a report which will outline a process in order to achieve this reduction.

Motion Carried

2. Overtime Budget

- ➔ Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava
 - That Council reduce the 2002 overtime budget by \$250,000; and
 - That a report be provided on the methods of achieving this as well as on the impact of such a reduction.
- ➔ It was then moved by Susan Carter and Dean Hollingsworth that this motion be deferred until Administration provide a report outlining the methods and impact of reducing the 2002 overtime budget by \$250,000

Motion to Defer Defeated**Main Motion Carried****3. Lynwood Project**

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and André Rivette that the residents of Lynwood Drive be invited to a Planning Advisory Committee meeting to discuss with the Manager of Engineering, Environmental and Construction Services the location of the sidewalk.

Motion Carried**4. Approval of Budget**

Moved by Councillors Dean Hollingsworth and Susan Carter

- That Council approve the 2002 budget at a rate of 4.24%; and
- That any savings realized through discussion with the School Board be used to offset the 2002 operating budget.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Susan Carter, Dean Hollingsworth, Claude Poirier, André Rivette and Mayor Brian Sylvester

Against: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner and Perry Lalonde

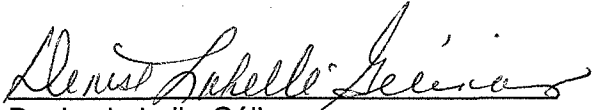
Absent: Councillor Corey Kennedy

Motion Defeated**5. Rate Variance between the Commercial and Residential Sectors**

Moved by Councillors Donald Deebank and Claude Poirier that Administration prepare a report on the impact of a 1% tax rate variance between the commercial and residential sectors.

Motion Carried

Adjournment: 10:00 p.m.



Denise Labelle-Gélinas
City Clerk



Brian Sylvester
Mayor