



## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING # 03-2004

### BUDGET SESSION # 02

Saturday, January 24, 2004  
Meeting began at 9:00 a.m.

---

**PRESENT:** A special Budget Meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Phil Poirier, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Glen Grant, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire and Huguette Burroughs

**REGRETS:** Councillors Perry Lalonde

**ADMINISTRATION:** Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk, and the following Management Personnel: Graham Dart, Susan Cain, Debora Daigle, Roger Desjardins, Victor Leroux, David Dick, Steve Wintle, Morris McCormick, Paul Fitzpatrick, Fernand Hamelin, Donna Derouchie, Stephen Alexander, Bill deWitt, Barry Coleman, Dawn Kiddell (Chief Librarian), Tracey Poirier, Paul Scrimshaw and Anita Roach

---

**CHAIR:** Mayor Phil Poirier called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Poirier confirmed for Council's benefit, the manner in which the conduct of proceedings would be followed through all Budget deliberations. He indicated that he would entertain three questions from any Councillor who wished to speak and move on to the next Councillor. Additional questions from any member of the council who has already spoken will be entertained after all members of the council have had an opportunity to speak.

Motions will be entertained to add or delete from the budget at any time, and as past practice, Council may revisit any motion voted on. Should a report be requested from the Administration, a motion requesting the matter will be entertained by the Chair

## PRESENTATION

### BUDGET 2003 OVERVIEW AND PRESENTATION

#### 1. Water Budget (Environmental Services (Section 17))

Summary provided by Fernand Hamelin, Stephen Wintle and Morris McCormick

##### a) Fire Hydrant Services

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Korey Kennedy that Administration provide a report as to the rationalizations of having one Person (fire fighter) perform the task of painting fire hydrants.

***A recorded vote on Fire Hydrant Services resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Jacques Lemire,

**Against:** Councillors Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion DEFEATED**

##### b) Environmental Services Water

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Huguette Burroughs that the following budget issues be processed:

Increase of Water Dispensing Fee for a total of \$15,000

Reduce Chlorine Consumption for a total of \$10,000

**For a total savings of \$25,000**

***A recorded vote on Environmental Services Water resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

##### c) Water Meters

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Leslie O'Shaughnessy that a total of \$70,000 under project ID C45017-Supply of Water Meters for cash flow projection in the year 2004 be eliminated.

***A recorded vote on Water Meter reductions resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**2. Sewer Budget (Environmental Services (Section 18))****d) Backhoe Services**

Moved by Councillors Mark McDonald and Mayor Phil Poirier that Administration be directed to provide a report on a cost benefit analysis as to the City acquiring its own backhoes.

***A recorded vote on Backhoe Services resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**Start of regular City Budget as per order shown in Budget Book****e) Conference Course Fees, Accommodations/Meals, Transportation/Mileage**

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Joël Côté that any increase identified on line items **3150** - conference Course Fees, **3160** Conference Course, **3170** Accommodation/Meals, **3180** Transportation be provided at the same levels as approved for the 2003 Budget submissions.

Moved by Councillors Jacques Lemire and Glen Grant that this motion be deferred for additional information by Departmental Managers on the effects of reducing their 2004 budget submissions and that this report be provided prior to the next Budget meeting.

***A recorded vote on the deferral resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillors Joël Côté, Chris Savard and Korey Kennedy

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion to DEFER Carried**

**f) Personnel Hiring**

Moved by Mayor Phil Poirier and Councillor Chris Savard that Administration be directed to provide a detailed report providing the following:

Identification of all requested hiring in 2004 budget

All overtime assumed as a result of the request for hiring

Sick Leave and Absenteeism that have a direct impact on the need to hire additional personnel.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**ADJOURNED 11:45 a.m.**

---

**RECONVENED at 12:25 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** A special Budget Meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Phil Poirier, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Glen Grant, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs

**REGRETS:** Councillors Perry Lalonde

**ADMINISTRATION:** Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk, and the following Management Personnel: Graham Dart, Susan Cain, Debora Daigle, Roger Desjardins, Victor Leroux, David Dick, Steve Wintle, Fernand Hamelin, Stephen Alexander, Dawn Kiddell (Chief Librarian), Tracey Poirier, Paul Scrimshaw and Anita Roach

1. **Council (section 3)**
2. **Office of the CAO (section 4)**
3. **Corporate Services (Section 5)**

**g) Human Resources**

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Leslie O'Shaughnessy that Council reduce the budget by eliminating \$50,000 for a new employee and benefits

***A recorded vote on employee elimination resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

That the budget be further reduced by \$10,000 for Arbitration to grievances.

***A recorded vote on arbitration to grievances resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillors Korey Kennedy, Glen Grant and Huguette Burroughs

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**h) Promotional Costs (tag 2170)**

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Leslie O'Shaughnessy that a total of \$3300.00 be eliminated from promotional costs leaving \$3,000 in the 2004 budget.

***A recorded vote on this resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillor Naresh Bhargava

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**i) Medical Services (tag 3511)**

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Leslie O'Shaughnessy that the budget for Medical Services be reduced by \$5400 for a total 2004 budget of \$16,000.00 maintaining the same level of 2003.

***A recorded vote on Medical Services resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried****j) Legislative Requirement (tag 3562)**

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Glen Grant that Legislative Requirements budget under tag 3562 be reduced to a level of \$6500.00 in 2004.

***A recorded vote on legislative requirements resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillor Korey Kennedy

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Clerk's Division****k) Decrease**

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Leslie O'Shaughnessy that the following items be adjusted and eliminated from the Clerk's 2004 Budget submission:

Increase Tag 0572 Fees for commissioner by	\$ 1,000.00
Decrease Courier Postage/Shipping by	\$24,719.00
Decrease Election Reserve Account by	\$10,000.00
Eliminate Domino Doc Capital Reserve by	<u>\$60,000.00</u>
<b>for a total of</b>	<b><u>\$84,719.00</u></b>

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried****Clerk's Division cont...****l) Increase**

Moved by Councillors Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Huguette Burroughs that Council increase the Clerk's Budget as follows:

Increase Printing Expenses for Lease Agreement by	\$15,000.00
Decrease Licensing & Vital Statistics Revenue by	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
<b>Total increase to Budget by</b>	<b><u>\$55,000.00</u></b>

***A recorded vote on this motion resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillors Chris Savard and Korey Kennedy

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**4) Financial Services (Section 6)****m) Advertising**

Moved by Councillors Corey Kennedy and Chris Savard that Administration be directed to provide a report which would identify public opportunities on various forms of Advertising upon all municipally owned assets and property.

***A recorded vote on Advertising resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Corey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**n) Employee Benefit and Variance to Lease Agreement**

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Corey Kennedy that Council eliminate Employee Benefit by \$10,000 and Variance in Expenditures of Lease Agreement by \$54,000.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Corey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**o) Supplemental Taxation (0003)**

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Chris Savard that the amount of \$225,000 be identified for Supplemental Taxation in the 2004 Budget submission under tag 0003; and That Administration provide a report on Financial Policy 16 on the manner in which Supplemental Taxes are reported.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Corey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillor Naresh Bhargava

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**p) Borrowing Business**

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Jacques Lemire that Administration be directed to provide a report on the Corporation's position and its advantages and disadvantages of returning to the business of borrowing.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard, Corey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**q) Employee (additional)**

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Joël Côté That Council eliminate the position of an additional employee (previously endorsed by the Council, during it 2003 Budget Deliberations) for a total dollar value of \$60,000.

***A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried****5. Economic Development (Section 15)****r) Medical Recruitment**

Moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Glen Grant that Administration be directed to provide a report with up-to-date information on analysis and statistics as to the City's position in reference to the Medical Recruitment in the City of Cornwall.

***A recorded vote on Medical Recruitment resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, Chris Savard , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillors

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried****6. Recreational Services (Section 16)****s) Civic Complex**

Moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Leslie O'Shaughnessy

**WHEREAS** the Cornwall Civic Complex is faced with a cost of 2.2 million dollar budget cost in the year 2004 with best effort being 1.14 million and capital improvements of 2.8 million dollars ; and

**WHEREAS** there are discussions of building a 3 to 4 ice pad arena; and

**WHEREAS** it is proposed that the Bob Turner Arena will cost \$380,000 with best efforts of \$360,000 and capital costs of \$25,000 in the year 2004; and

**WHEREAS** it is proposed that the Si Miller Arena will cost \$355,000 with best efforts of \$334,000 and capital costs of \$25,000 in the year 2004;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that Administration provide a report ~~that~~ on the Civic Complex Capital Improvements relative to the Construction of the Aquatic Centre and which would co-inside with the upcoming opening of Tender on the new Aquatic Centre.

***A recorded vote on update report - complex resulted as follows:***

**For:** Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald, Jacques Lemire, Huguette Burroughs, Joël Côté, ~~Chris Savard~~ , Korey Kennedy and Mayor Phil Poirier

**Against:** Councillors Chris Savard and Naresh Bhargava

**Absent:** Councillor Perry Lalonde

**Motion Carried**

**Next meetings:** **Wednesday January 28, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**  
**Monday February 2, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**  
**Saturday February 7, 2004, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Adjourned at 3:45 p.m.**

  
DENISE LABELLE-GÉLINAS, CLERK

  
MAYOR PHIL POIRIER