



# Minutes Cornwall City Council

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**Meeting Date:** Tue December 07, 2010 04:00 PM  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
**Chair:** Bob Kilger, Mayor  
**Prepared By:** Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk

Water and Sewer Budget

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#### **Attendance Committee Members:**

Bob Kilger, Mayor  
 Denis Carr, Councillor  
 Bernadette Clément, Councillor  
 Maurice Dupelle, Councillor  
 Syd Gardiner, Councillor  
 Glen Grant, Councillor  
 Elaine MacDonald, Councillor  
 David Murphy, Councillor  
 Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Councillor  
 André Rivette, Councillor  
 Denis Thibault, Councillor

#### **Attendance Staff:**

Paul W. Fitzpatrick, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk  
 Maureen Adams, G.M. Financial Services  
 Norm Levac, G.M., Infrastructure and Municipal Works  
 Stephen Alexander, G.M. Planning, Parks and Recreation  
 Robert Menagh, Manager Human Resources  
 Debora M. Daigle, Manager Social and Housing Services  
 John Flannigan, City Collector, Billing and Collection  
 Morris McCormick, Division Manager, Environmental Services  
 Paul Scrimshaw, Budget and Cash Coordinator  
 Stephen Wintle, Design and Records Supervisor  
 Tracey Bailey, Accounting Supervisor / Deputy Treasurer  
 Bill De Wit, Water and Sewer Supervisor

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Mrs. Maureen Adams, General Manager of Financial Services, along with Mr. Norm Levac, General Manager of Infrastructure and Municipal Works, provided an overview of the proposed Water and Sewer Budget submission.

It was noted that the proposed 2011 budget was prepared with an overall increase of 2.95% to the utility bill, such that water billings would represent a "zero" rate increase and the sewer billings would represent a 5.64% increase. For the year 2010, both the water and sewer budgets identify a prior year "growth" factor which is included in billings as follows: \$117,649 is the estimated growth for water and \$34,561 is the estimated growth for sewer. Ms Adams indicated that operating expenditures increased by 6.74%, which includes contributions to reserves in the amount of 1 million dollars for the secondary waste water treatment plant and \$250,000 to the waterworks reserve. The net capital shows a decrease by 1.20% (or \$55,000).

Several graph displays were provided to give a better understanding of the dollar value of the proposed budget, as well as the proposed 2011 Capital Projects for both Water and Sewer. In addition, Ms Adams provided Members of Council with an up-to-date Tangible Capital Assets breakdown as well as The Corporation's current position on its Reserves

In conclusion, the following recommendation was proposed:

That a combined Water and Sewer rate increase of 2.95% for 2011 for the City of Cornwall as outlined within the Water and Sewer budget document and within the presentation, be endorsed.

#### **MOTION**

That the 2011 Water and Sewer Budget be approved as presented with a 2.95% increase.

Moved By: Denis Carr, Councillor

Seconded By: André Rivette, Councillor

#### **MOTION TO POSTPONE TO A CERTAIN TIME**

Following additional debate on this matter, the following Motion was proposed:

That approval of the 2011 Sewer and Water Budget be postponed until either Wednesday December 8th or Thursday December 9th in order that Administration return with additional budget details on recommended expenditures for the proposed Budget.


Moved By: Denis Thibault, Councillor

Seconded By: Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Councillor

#### **MOTION DEFEATED**

#### **ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED**

#### **1 2011 Water and Sewer Budget Presentation**

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Additional discussions ensued on the 2011 Budget recommendations.

That Administration be requested to prepare a report estimating increases in Water and Sewer rates based on the implementation of the Secondary Treatment Plant.

Moved By: Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Councillor

Seconded By: Bernadette Clément, Councillor

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **2 2011 Preparations towards the 2011 Budget**

Once again, Ms Adams, General Manager of Financial Services provided an overview of what is being prepared within the 2011 Budget. A brief view of the 2010 revenue source comparison,

expenditure breakdown and tax levy by class was provided. Members of Council were given what the 2011 budget challenges were and a 2011 proposed budget schedule. In conclusion to Ms Adams' presentation, Members of Council were asked to provide Administration direction for budget assumptions as the 2011 budget document is being prepared.

**MOTION**

That Council be provided a Budget that identifies the cost in 2011 that would provide the same services and programs as were provided in 2010 and the Capital Project submissions by departments and their priorities.

Moved By: Elaine MacDonald, Councillor

Seconded By: Bernadette Clément, Councillor

**MOTION CARRIED****ADJOURNMENT**

That the Special Budget meeting of Tuesday December 7, 2010 be hereby adjourned at the hour of 6:50 p.m..

Moved By: André Rivette, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

**MOTION CARRIED****NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL to be held Monday, December 13, 2010**

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**DENISE LABELLE-GELINAS BOB KILGER  
CITY CLERK MAYOR**

Motion to endorse the Minutes of Council as presented.

Moved By: Bernadette Clément, Councillor

Seconded By: Syd Gardiner, Councillor

**MOTION CARRIED**