

June 15, 2005 - Special

A Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2005 and called to order by Mayor Ted Linley at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Ted Linley; Councillors Gord Campbell, John Fullerton, David Ratz, Archie Roach, Kent Weber, Gil Reeves, Fred Eldner, Dale Wedgwood; and Clerk Deborah Tonelli.

ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Foreman Tom Dumont, Treasurer Sandra Leach

The purpose of the meeting was to review/approve the proposed 2005 budget as provided to Council and to authorize Mayor Linley and Clerk Tonelli to sign the amended Funding Agreement for NOHFC Project No. 25240.

Treasurer Leach addressed Council advising that her direction from Preliminary Budget Meetings with the Finance Commissioners was to provide a proposed budget that would result in a zero tax rate increase for 2005. The budget presented this evening is based on that direction. She proceeded to review each line of the proposed Budget with Council.

Items to be added to the June 22nd Agenda with respect to the budget include:

- By-law for Councillor Honorarium Increase;
- By-law for Fire Department Honorarium and Station 1 Deputy Fire Chief Increase;
- Resolution to transfer stage ownership from the Iron Bridge Agricultural Society and Ambassador of Huron Shores Program to the Municipality, thereby releasing any and all payment obligation from those groups; and
- Resolution to accept the late submission of a Roads Donation Application due to an oversight by the applicant.

Treasurer Leach noted that she will provide a summary of tax writedowns at a future meeting.

As addressed in the June 22nd Minutes, although the hiring of a Building Maintenance Person was considered under the 2005 Budget, it has been removed due to dollar constraints. This matter will be readdressed in 2006 in conjunction with yard maintenance requirements.

Upon a question from Councillor Ratz, it was noted that although the budget allows for the purchase of a vehicle for the Chief Building Official, any proposed vehicle purchase by the Municipality would be brought to a future Council Meeting.

Mayor Linley reiterated the need for improved lighting at the Little Rapids Hall (Ward 1). This item will be included in the capital improvements portion of the Ward 1 Hall Budget.

Councillor Fullerton recommended that a Press Release be issued regarding the Budget.

Council discussed the history behind the yearly donation made to the Iron Bridge Lions Club. Upon receipt of the 2005 donation request from the Lions Club, they will be asked to attend a Council Meeting to address the amount of the donation and permitted usage of the Lions Hall by the Municipality.

- 05-14-01
G. Campbell
G. Reeves

THAT we approve the 2005 Budget for the amount of \$1,836,715.00 needed from taxation.

CARRIED.
- 05-14-02
D. Ratz
F. Eldner

THAT Mayor Linley and Clerk Tonelli be authorized to sign the amended Funding Agreement for the NOHFC Infrastructure Projects (File No. 25240) dated June 7/05.

CARRIED.
- 05-14-03
K. Weber
G. Reeves

THAT we do adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

CARRIED.