

Special Meeting of Council

Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Tecumseh Town Hall - Council Chambers
917 Lesperance Road
Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 1W9

Present:

Mayor, Gary McNamara
Deputy Mayor, Joe Bachetti
Councillor, James Dorner
Councillor, Alicia Higgison
Councillor, Brian Houston
Councillor, Tania Jobin
Councillor, Rick Tonial

Also Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, Margaret Misek-Evans
Acting Clerk, Jennifer Alexander
Director Legislative Services & Clerk, Robert Auger
Director Public Works & Engineering Services, Phil Bartnik
Director Community & Recreation Services, Beth Gignac
Director Community Safety & Fire Chief, Wade Bondy
Director Technology & Client Services, Shaun Fuerth
Director Development Services, Brian Hillman
Director Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer, Tom Kitsos
Deputy Treasurer & Manager Revenue, Vanessa DaDalt
Manager Water Services, Brad Dupuis
Deputy Clerk - Clerks Services & Policy Advisor, Christina Hebert
Engineering Project Manager, Cameron Hedges
Manager Engineering Services, John Henderson
Manager Public Works & Transportation, Kirby McArdle
Deputy Treasurer & Manager Financial Services, Zora Visekruna
Manager Facilities & Energy Management, Daniel Wolicki
Supervisor Recreation Programs & Events, Katie Pavlovski
Manager Building Services & Chief Building Official, Peter Valore

A. Roll Call

B. Call to Order

The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

C. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial. This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lenni Lenape and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Three Fires Confederacy Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi and Huron/Wendat Peoples. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

D. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There is no pecuniary interest declared by a Member of Council.

E. Delegations

The Director Financial Services and Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of the budget deliberation process for the meeting. The Chief Administrative Officer provided opening remarks on the 2023 Proposed Business Plan and Budget.

F. Communications

There are no Communication items presented to Council.

G. Reports**1. 2023 Tecumseh Business Plan and budget - Operating Lifecycle and Reserves, as submitted to Town Council**

[Link to the 2023 Business Plan and Budget](#)

Each Director and/or Manager presented their respective proposed department budgets as appended in the link provided on the agenda and responded to questions from the members.

- a. Director Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer
- b. Chief Administrative Officer
- c. Director Technology & Client Services
- d. Director Legislative Services & Clerk and Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services
- e. Director Community Safety
- f. Director Public Works & Engineering Services
- g. Scheduled Recess

The Mayor recesses at 5:50 pm and reconvenes the meeting at 6:30 pm.

- h. Community & Recreation Services Department - Manager Parks & Horticulture, Manager Facilities & Energy Management, Supervisor Recreation Programs/Events
- i. Director Development Services
- j. Lifecycle
- k. Reserves

Motion: SCM - 01/23

Moved By Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
Seconded By Councillor Alicia Higgison

That Administration **be directed** to draft a by-law to approve the 2023 Business Plan and Budget as amended by a \$150, 000 reduction, based on a municipal levy increase of 3.86% net of assessment growth, and a consolidated tax increase of 3.43%.

Carried

Motion: SCM - 02/23

Moved By Councillor Rick Tonial
Seconded By Councillor Brian Houston

That the 2023 Budget Reconciliation for the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) Adjustments as reported in the 2023 Business Plan and Budget, as amended by the \$150,000 reduction in the budget at the January 17, 2023 Special Council Meeting, be accepted in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 Regulation 284/09, as amended.

Carried

H. Adjournment

Motion: SCM - 03/23

Moved By Councillor Rick Toniai

Seconded By Councillor James Dorner

That there being no further business, the Tuesday, January 17, 2023 meeting of the Special Council Meeting **be adjourned** at 7:37 pm.

Carried

Gary McNamara, Mayor

Jennifer Alexander, Acting Clerk