



**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT**
Minutes - Final
Special Meeting of Council

Municipal Hall
1229 Esquimalt Road
Esquimalt, B.C. V9A 3P1

Tuesday, March 14, 2017

5:45 PM

Esquimalt Council Chambers

Present 5 - Mayor Barbara Desjardins
 Councillor Meagan Brame
 Councillor Beth Burton-Krahn
 Councillor Olga Liberchuk
 Councillor Susan Low

Absent 2 - Councillor Lynda Hundleby
 Councillor Tim Morrison

Staff: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer
 Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering & Public Works
 Bill Brown, Director of Development Services
 Ian Irvine, Director of Financial Services
 Blair McDonald, Director of Community Safety Services
 Scott Hartman, Director of Parks and Recreation
 Anja Nurvo, Director of Corporate Services
 Chris Jancowski, Fire Chief
 Rachel Dumas, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the Special Council meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

Mayor Desjardins acknowledged with respect that we are within the Traditional Territories of the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations.

2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Burton-Krahn, seconded by Councillor Brame: That the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

4. CONSIDERATION OF 2017 - 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL REQUESTS AND FUNDING

Director of Financial Services and IT provided an overview of 2017-2021 Supplemental Operating and Capital requests and funding, presented a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions from Council. All scenarios presented result in surplus amounts ranging from \$712,501 to \$186,589 based on a tax rate between 0% and 1.90% increase. Tax Rate scenarios will be presented on April 3, 2017 for Council consideration.

Council comments included (Staff response in italics):

- * Suggested inclusion of budget cost for installation of lighted crosswalk on Esquimalt Road near Renaissance Seniors Residence, staff to review cost and funding options
- * Unightly Property demolition process and expense
- * Memorial Park as venue for Esquimalt Farmers Market, consider Portable Washrooms to be located in park during Summer months
- * Increased patrol for Animal control and staff resources for monitoring
- * Encouraged Walking Tours to be available on App
- * Increased Water Park washroom cleaning during Summer
- * Park landscape maintenance
- * Interim vehicle rental for Recreation services
- * Request for staffing increase to assist with asset management plan, succession planning and cross training
- * Technology replacement and software implementation processes
- * Municipal float replacement and RFP process, with input from Lions Club
- * Municipal Hall stairwell repairs
- * Maintenance of roads including pothole filling
- * West Bay Walkway Realignment
- * Recreation Parking lot overlay and challenges of temporary closure with minimal impact
- * Electronic signage at Recreation Centre
- * Mulch Storage containers for in-house processing

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Burton-Krahn: That an additional \$50,000 be included in the 2017 budget for pothole road maintenance. Carried.

In Favour: 3 - Councillor Brame, Councillor Burton-Krahn, and Councillor Liberchuk

Opposed: 2 - Mayor Desjardins, and Councillor Low

Absent: 2 - Councillor Hundleby, and Councillor Morrison

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Mayor Desjardins: That Council direct staff to 1) prepare a 1.0% Tax Rate increase scenario, including allocation of funds for portable washrooms at Memorial Park, additional \$50,000 for Pothole Maintenance and installation of lighted crosswalk on Esquimalt Road, 2) with surplus funds allocated to a Reserve Account for the Esquimalt Town Square Project, for Council consideration.

Council agreed to separate the motion into 1) tax rates and 2) surplus.

Moved by Councillor Low, seconded by Councillor Brame: That the Main Motion be amended to include scenarios for a 0% and 0.5% Tax Rate increase. Carried Unanimously.

The vote was taken on the Main Motion as amended and declared Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Mayor Desjardins: That Council approve any surplus funds be allocated into a Reserve Account for the Esquimalt Town Square Project. Defeated.

In Favour: 1 - Councillor Brame

Opposed: 4 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Burton-Krahn, Councillor Liberchuk, and Councillor Low

Absent: 2 - Councillor Hundleby, and Councillor Morrison

Moved by Councillor Low, seconded by Councillor Burton-Krahn: That any surplus amount be allocated to an accumulated surplus account for future use. Carried Unanimously.

5. PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor Desjardins called three times for public input and there was none.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Burton-Krahn, seconded by Councillor Low: That the Special Council meeting be adjourned at 6:54 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS 20TH DAY OF MARCH, 2017

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