



Municipality of French River

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

held in the Council Chambers

Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 8:30am

Members Present: Mayor Gisele Pageau (Chair), Councillors Ron Garbutt, Richard Malette, Randy Hazlett, Dean Wenborne, David Viau, and Renée Carrier

Members Excused:

Officials Present: Marc Gagnon, Chief Administrative Officer
Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk
Robert Martin, Acting Director of Operations
Carlie Zwiers, Executive Assistant

Guests:

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

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Resol.2019-44

Moved By Dean Wenborne

Seconded By David Viau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Special Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Presentation and deliberation of Draft 2019 Budget

4.1. Presentation of Draft 2019 Budget

On January 16, 2019, a Special Council Meeting was held to hold a preliminary planning session in preparation for the 2019 budget process by reviewing priorities in the Municipal Strategic Plan and setting objectives and goals. Council generally agreed that an acceptable tax increase for the 2019 Budget could be considered between 2.5% and 3.5%. (1% increase in tax equals to \$47,664).

The CAO welcomed everyone and outlined the day's structure.

The Regional Economic Development Officer presented the Economic Development draft budget.

The Library Chief Executive Officer presented the Public Library's draft budget, Council generally agreed to increase the proposal to \$3,000 for a total of \$163,000.

The CAO presented the Corporation's Organizational Chart.

The CAO presented the General Government draft budget.

Break at 10:30am.

The Fire Chief presented the Fire Department's draft budget.

The CAO presented the Police, Protection Inspection and Control, Building Service and Emergency Measures draft budgets.

Lunch Break from 12:20pm to 12:45pm

The Manager presented the Public Works and Environmental draft budgets.
-added 10,000 to roadside brushing in order to complete the project in two years instead of three

The Clerk presented the Sanitary Sewer, Urban Storm Sewer (Municipal Drain) and Cemeteries draft budgets.

The CAO presented the Health Services, Social and Family draft budgets.

The Manager presented the Parks and Recreation draft budgets.

The CAO presented the Planning and Development draft budget.

The CAO then presented the Budget Summary, the Capital and Reserves draft budgets; the proposed tax increase was 2.72%.

5. Adjournment

5.1. Resolution to Adjourn

Resol.2019-45

Moved By Richard Malette

Seconded By David Viau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the meeting be adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk