

VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD
OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS MEETING

March 18, 2011
9:00 a.m.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Kirkland	Deputy Mayor MacKenzie	Councillor Hand
Councillor Churchill	Councillor Romlewski	

Staff Present:

CAO Cramp

Mayor Kirkland requested a minute of silence in recognition of the two Listowel firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty.

Chairperson Hand gave a brief overview of where the budget stood at this point after the review by all Committees and provided some of the challenges that Council is faced with.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

OVERVIEW OF 2011 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

The overviews of the capital plan and operating budget were reviewed.

STATUS OF 2010 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The report is for information only.

OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS:

Arena/Community Hall

Chairperson Paul Churchill, Operations Manager Clive Barry

The Arena-Community Hall Committee recommendations for operating and capital were brought forward to the budget meeting for Council's consideration.

Resolution #1

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the \$1,600 for Kitchen equipment at the Community Hall, be added.

CARRIED.

It was noted that the proposed cost of the replacement of the toilets seems to be on the high side. It was explained that one quotation is obtained for the purposes of the capital budget but further quotation are obtained prior to the purchase.

Fire Department

Chairperson Paul Churchill, Fire Chief Doug MacKenzie

The Fire Department Committee recommendations for operating and capital were brought forward to the budget meeting for Council's consideration. Consideration is to be given regarding the change of allocation of funds relating to the Yukon.

Water and Waste Water Treatment Plant

Chairperson Larry MacKenzie, J. Sloma

The Water/WTTP Department Committee recommendations for operating and capital were brought forward to the budget meeting for Council's consideration.

It was noted that the Helena Pump Station project is on hold to determine if a grant will be approved for this work.

Public Works, Garbage Collection, Streetlights

Chairperson John Romlewski, Operations Manager Clive Barry

The Public Works Committee recommendations for operating and capital were brought forward to the budget meeting for Council's consideration.

Resolution #2

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the capital cost relating to the sweeper be reduced to \$20,000 that will be used for either the sweeper repairs, if feasible; or the cost of sweeper rentals for the sweeping of streets and catchbasin maintenance.

CARRIED.

There continues to be a problem with the timing of the traffic light at Front and Lite Streets. This will be discussed with Bluewater Power.

Report re: Fleet Management

There was a discussion regarding the retention of both loaders.

Resolution #3

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the recommendations from Operations Manager Clive Barry relating to Fleet Management, be accepted.

CARRIED.

Parks

Chairperson John Romlewski, Operations Manager Clive Barry

The Parks Committee recommendations for operating and capital were brought forward to the budget meeting for Council's consideration.

All other areas

Finance Chairperson Bev Hand

The fees for various services are to be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

The proposed donations were approved.

Other Correspondence

1. E-mail from Jim Stevens, Manager of Sarnia Transit
Re: Reduction of Transit Service to Hourly Service

Resolution #4

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT it be recommended that the transit service be reduced to an hourly service and that a public meeting be held for input on this recommendation.

Recorded Vote:	Mayor Dick Kirkland – Yes
	Deputy Mayor Larry MacKenzie – Yes
	Councillor Hand – Yes
	Councillor Churchill – Yes
	Councillor Romlewski – No

CARRIED.

Comments from the Public

Opportunity for the Public to make any presentation or comments on the budget

No one was present to comment on the budget.

Comments from Auditor Jim Dunlop

- Comments re: 2011 Operating Budget
- Comments re: Financial Reports for 2010

Auditor Jim Dunlop was present and had no issues to be addressed relating to the budget. He submitted the draft Financial Reports for 2010 in two formats and reviewed the information with Council.

Recommendations on 2011 Operating Budget**Resolution #5**

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the 2011 Operating Budget, be recommended for approval.

CARRIED.

Recommendations on 2011 Capital Budget**Resolution #6**

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the 2011 Capital Budget, be recommended for approval, as amended.

CARRIED.

OTHER

There was no other business at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #7

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Romlewski
THAT the Budget meeting be adjourned at 1 p.m.

CARRIED.

Finance Chairperson Bev Hand

CAO-Clerk Peggy Cramp