

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 @ 9:00 AM Hybrid - Council Chambers/YouTube/Zoom

PRESENT: Mayor Jan O'Neill

Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

Councillor Eric Daoust

Councillor Ron Derry (Virtual)

Councillor Jane Lakatos

CAO/Municipal Clerk Tonia Bennett Deputy Clerk Kristen McConnell

Municipal Treasurer Steve Szczepaniak

Manager of Transportation/Parks & Recreation Dylan Adams

Manager of Environmental Services Victor Reid

Fire Chief Tony Brownson

Manager of Facilities John Croskery

Economic Development Coordinator Tammy May

1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3.1. Agenda of the Special Budget Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Marmora and Lake for Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

MOTION2023-090

Moved by Councillor Eric Daoust Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That the Agenda for the Special Budget Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Marmora and Lake for Tuesday, March 28, 2023, be approved. **Carried**

4. STAFF REPORTS

4.1. Report by Jennifer Bennett, outgoing Deputy Clerk/Communications Director Re: Request for Service Overview

MOTION2023-091

Moved by Councillor Eric Daoust Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens That Council receives the information.

Carried

4.2. Report by Jennifer Bennett, outgoing Deputy Clerk/Communications Director Re: Correspondence Received Regarding Budget Considerations

MOTION2023-092

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That Council receives the information.

Carried

4.3. Report by Steve Szczepaniak, Municipal Treasurer

Re: 2023 Draft Budget Adjustments

MOTION2023-093

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

Motion to place the report on the floor for discussion.

Carried

MOTION2023-094

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council defer the motion to add \$55,000 to the Transportation Department budget for debenture payments of a rubber tire excavator to the end of the budget meeting discussions.

Carried

MOTION2023-095

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That Council increase the contribution to the bridge reserves by an additional \$150,000.

Failed - No Seconder

MOTION2023-096

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council defer the motion to budget \$30,000 for reserve contributions for the landfill site work/closure pending further information from the Treasurer about current reserve amounts.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That Council amend the motion to increase the training budget for volunteer firefighters from \$90,000 to \$25,000, and that those funds be placed in a reserve.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill	For
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens	For
Councillor Eric Daoust	For
Councillor Jane Lakatos	For
Councillor Ron Derry	For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-098

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council defer the motion to increase the training budget for volunteer firefighters to \$25,000, and that those funds be placed in a reserve pending further information from the Treasurer about current reserve amounts.

Carried

MOTION2023-099

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That the meeting recess for a 15-minute break.

Carried

MOTION2023-100

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Councillor Ron Derry

That Council budget \$30,000 for reserve contributions for the landfill site work/closure.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill	Against
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens	Against
Councillor Eric Daoust	Against
Councillor Jane Lakatos	Against
Councillor Ron Derry	Against

Defeated 0-5 on a recorded vote

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That Council increase the training budget for volunteer firefighters to \$25,000, and that those funds be placed in a reserve.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill Against
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For
Councillor Eric Daoust Against
Councillor Jane Lakatos For
Councillor Ron Derry Against

Defeated 2-3 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-102

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That Council increase the budget by \$75,000 to repave the parking lot.

Failed - No Seconder

MOTION2023-103

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That Council add \$9,700 to the Swim Program to hire three part-time lifeguards in the summer.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill Against
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Against
Councillor Eric Daoust Against
Councillor Jane Lakatos Against
Councillor Ron Derry Against

Defeated 0-5 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-104

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council defer the motion to budget \$62,000 for the remainder of the Memorial Building roof repair project to the end of the budget meeting discussions.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Eric Daoust Seconded by Councillor Ron Derry

That Council remove the \$25,000 allocated in the 2023 budget for a forest rescue ATV for the Fire Department.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill Against
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Against
Councillor Eric Daoust For
Councillor Jane Lakatos Against
Councillor Ron Derry For

Defeated 2-3 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-106

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council increase the Bylaw Enforcement Officer's remuneration to \$42,000, rather than the \$52,000 allocated in the 2023 Budget document. And further that staff determine how many hours per month this will add to the contract.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill For Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For Councillor Eric Daoust For Councillor Jane Lakatos For Councillor Ron Derry For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-107

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That Council decrease the Library's proposed 2023 budget by \$1,100.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill For Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For Councillor Eric Daoust For Councillor Jane Lakatos For Councillor Ron Derry For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That Council take \$30,000 from the funds already provided to the municipality from the BISB and apply it to the salary for the new Admin. position in the Transportation Department, decreasing the tax levy to \$33,000 for this item.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill	For
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens	For
Councillor Eric Daoust	For
Councillor Jane Lakatos	For
Councillor Ron Derry	For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-109

Moved by Mayor Jan O'Neill Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council remove three summer student positions from the budget (one each from Admin., Facilities, and Water).

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill	For
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens	For
Councillor Eric Daoust	For
Councillor Jane Lakatos	For
Councillor Ron Derry	For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-110

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Jane Lakatos

That the meeting recess for a 45 minute lunch break.

Carried

MOTION2023-111

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council add \$55,000 to the Transportation Department budget for debenture payments of a rubber tire excavator (availability pending).

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill For
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For
Councillor Eric Daoust For
Councillor Jane Lakatos For
Councillor Ron Derry Against

Carried 4-1 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-112

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

That Council budget \$62,000 in 2023 for the remainder of the Memorial Building roof repair project.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill For Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For Councillor Eric Daoust For Councillor Jane Lakatos For Councillor Ron Derry For

Carried 5-0 on a recorded vote

4.4. Approval of 2023 Proposed Budget

MOTION2023-113

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That the 2023 operating and capital budget and all revenues and expenditures, fees and contributions to reserve funds included in the budget be adopted as amended.

That any surplus or deficit in the winter control budget at year-end be transferred to or funded from the winter control reserve, subject to overall year-end position.

That the Municipal Treasurer and/or CAO be authorized to make year-end adjustments to the year-end surplus, to and from reserves and to and from various capital allocations to a maximum of \$25,000 in order to properly manage the annual surplus, maximize reserve balances and fully fund capital expenditures.

Recorded Vote:

Mayor Jan O'Neill For
Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens For
Councillor Eric Daoust For
Councillor Jane Lakatos For
Councillor Ron Derry Against

Carried 4-1 on a recorded vote

MOTION2023-114

Moved by Mayor Jan O'Neill Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That Council direct the funds received from the Province for monies spent on the 2022 storm clean-up into the Transportation reserve.

Carried

5. CONFIRMING BYLAW

5.1. **BYLAW NUMBER 2022-22**

Moved by Councillor Jane Lakatos Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mike Stevens

Being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings of the Special Budget Meeting of Council held on the 28th day of March, 2023.

Carried

6. ADJOURNMENT

6.1. **MOTION2023-114**

Moved by Councillor Ron Derry Seconded by Councillor Eric Daoust

That the meeting be adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Carried

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Mayor, Jan O'Neill	
Deputy Clerk, Kristen McConnell	