



**REPORT OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE – 2020 Capital & Operating
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2019**

Minutes of the Budget Committee meeting held on December 2, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Halton Hills Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor R. Bonnette, Councillor C. Somerville, Councillor J. Fogal, Councillor M. Albano, Councillor J. Hurst (arrived 1:34 p.m.), Councillor T. Brown, Councillor B. Lewis, Councillor W. Farrow-Reed, Councillor M. Johnson, Councillor B. Inglis, Councillor A. Lawlor

STAFF PRESENT: A. B. Marshall, CAO, C. Mills, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works, J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development, W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation & Parks, J. Diamanti, Commissioner of Corporate Services, H. Olivieri, Chief & Commissioner of Fire Services, M.J. Leighton, Manager of Accounting and Town Treasurer, G. Cannon, Chief Librarian, V. Petryniak, Deputy Clerk, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk

* Denotes Change From Council Agenda

1. OPENING OF THE BUDGET MEETING

Mayor R. Bonnette opened the Budget Committee Meeting at 1:32 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor M. Albano declared a conflict/pecuniary interest with respect to the budget item regarding Longfield Subdivision Street Light Replacement, as he lives on the street where work is taking place. He did not partake in any discussion or voting on this matter.

Councillor J. Hurst declared a conflict/pecuniary interest with respect to the budget item regarding construction of the Acton Youth Centre as he is the landlord of the existing of the Acton Youth Centre. He did not partake in any discussion or voting on this matter.

Councillor J. Hurst declared a conflict/pecuniary interest with respect to the Acton BIA Budget as he is a property owner in the Downton Acton BIA Area (commercial/residential). He did not partake in any discussion or voting on this matter.

3. BUDGET DELEGATIONS

NIL

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Opening Remarks by A.B. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer and Presentation by M. Leighton, Town Treasurer and Manager of Accounting

A.B. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer made opening remarks and M. Leighton, Town Treasurer made a presentation to the Committee regarding the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget.

4.2 S. Jones, Clerk and Director of Legislative Services, D. Szybalski, Director of Economic Development, Innovation and Culture and R. Cockfield, Director of Strategic Initiatives

V. Petryniak, Deputy Clerk, D. Szybalski, Director of Economic Development, Innovation made a presentation to Committee regarding the Office of the CAO Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.3 J. Diamanti, Commissioner of Corporate Services

J. Diamanti, Commissioner of Corporate Services made a presentation to Committee regarding the Corporate Services Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.4 G. Cannon, Chief Librarian

G. Cannon, Chief Librarian made a presentation to Committee regarding the Library Services Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.5 H. Olivieri, Fire Chief and Commissioner of Fire Services

H. Olivieri, Fire Chief and Commissioner of Fire Services made a presentation to Committee regarding the Fire Services Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.6 C. Mills, Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works

C. Mills, Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works made a presentation to Committee regarding the Transportation and Public Works Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.7 J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning and Development

J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning and Development made a presentation to Committee regarding the Planning and Development Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.8 W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation and Parks

W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation and Parks made a presentation to Committee regarding the Recreation and Parks Business Plan and Overview of the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget for the department.

4.9 C. Robinson and Y. Ennin of the Downtown Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA)

C. Robinson and Y. Ennin of the Downtown Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA) made a presentation to Committee regarding Overview of the Downtown Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA) Budget for 2020.

4.10 P. Daleman of the Downtown Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA)

P. Daleman of the Downtown Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) made a presentation to Committee regarding Overview of the Downtown Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) Budget for 2020.

5. BUDGET REFERRALS

Mayor R. Bonnette reviewed the Budget Referrals with the Committee.

6. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS – TWO (2) ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION

6.1 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT NO. CORPSERV-2019-0047 dated November 20, 2019 regarding Ontario Regulation 284/09-Budget Matters-Expenses. (Recommendation No. BU-2019-0011)

THAT Report No. CORPSERV-2019-0047 dated November 20, 2019 regarding Ontario Regulation 284/09-Budget Matters-Expenses be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council adopts this report, which meets the requirements of Regulation 284/09 and outlines the 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets in a format that is compliant with the Public Service Accounting Board (PSAB).

CARRIED

6.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT NO. CORPSERV-2019-0045 dated November 25, 2019 regarding the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget and Business Plans. (Recommendation No. BU-2019-0012)

THAT Report No. CORPSERV-2019-0045 dated November 25, 2019 regarding the 2020 Proposed Capital and Operating Budget and Business Plans be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the proposed base Operating Budget levy increase of 2.5% be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the proposed 0.6% dedicated levy to address the infrastructure funding deficit be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2020 proposed Operating Budget for general Town purposes be approved at a net levy amount of \$53,557,300, being a total Town tax levy increase of 3.1% excluding provisions for the Acton and Georgetown Business Improvement Associations, equating to an estimated overall increase of 2.1% including Town, Region and Education portions;

AND FURTHER THAT the Acton BIA expenditures included in the 2020 budget be approved in the gross amount of \$171,220, with a net tax levy of \$96,970;

AND FURTHER THAT the Georgetown BIA expenditures included in the 2020 budget be approved in the gross amount of \$289,800, with a net tax levy of \$212,050;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2020 Capital Budget in the amount of \$25,380,400 be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes debenture funding of \$1,900,000 for the 22nd side road construction project;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves a 10-year term debenture for the 22nd side road construction project, to be funded annually from the "New Capital Reserve";

AND FURTHER THAT the 2021-2029 Capital Budget forecast in the amount of \$277,662,600 be approved in principle subject to the annual review;

AND FURTHER THAT \$800,000 of funding in the 2021 forecast year for the construction related to the Tolton Lands Redevelopment project be approved to ensure timing alignment with the design and engineering work to be undertaken in 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be authorized to proceed with the 2020 capital program, with any acquisitions or approval of awards being subject to the usual Town policies, by-laws and procedures governing same receipt of final approval by Council where required.

CARRIED

7. CLOSED SESSION/CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

NIL

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Rick Bonnette, MAYOR

Suzanne Jones, CLERK