

## "SPECIAL" COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 6:00 p.m. Tay Valley Municipal Office – 217 Harper Road, Perth, Ontario Council Chambers

#### ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Chair, Reeve Keith Kerr

Deputy Reeve Brian Campbell Councillor Mark Burnham Councillor Fred Dobbie Councillor Jennifer Dickson Councillor Judy Farrell Councillor Greg Hallam Councillor RoxAnne Darling

Staff Present: Larry Donaldson, Chief Administrative Officer

Amanda Mabo, Clerk Noelle Reeve, Planner Donna Cyr, Treasurer

Stephen Keeley, Public Works Manager (left at 8:04 p.m.)

Regrets: None.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

#### 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

#### 3. DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

#### i) 2015 Preliminary Budget Presentation.

Donna Cyr, Treasurer.

The Committee discussed the preliminary budget.

The percent change of 1.8% in 2014 to the levy was as a result of a late notice regarding the announcement of the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF); otherwise the increase would have been around 4%.

The Treasurer overviewed changes since the draft budget was published – attached, page 5.

### ii) 2015 Operating Budget Presentation and Discussion.

Donna Cyr, Treasurer.

The Committee discussed the operating budget.

Sherbrooke Garage – this garage is currently being used as a storage area, specifically for one of the graders so that it is not being stored outside. The costs included in the budget are for heat, hydro, etc.

The Committee requested further information on the expenses related to the waste sites, specifically the Glen Tay Waste Site.

The Committee discussed the tourism kiosk in Maberly and decided to not renew the agreement. Staff will look into removing the signage or replacing the message on the signage with a message indicating that for tourism and event information visit the Township website at www.tayvalleytwp.ca.

The Committee recessed at 7:52 p.m.

The Public Works Manager left at 8:04 p.m.

The Committee returned to session at 8:04 p.m.

The Committee reviewed the requests to date from outside agencies and agreed to fund them in 2015.

The Committee directed staff to place the OPP portion of the budget on a separate line on the final tax bills. In the January interim tax bills a letter will be included notifying residents of the OPP costs.

The Committee requested that Staff look for potential cuts from the proposed budget by providing a suggested list of prioritized cuts at the next budget meeting for discussion. One suggestion was to reduce the remaining balance in the requests from outside agencies as well as looking at the septic reinspection program when the current by-law expires. Staff will look at

neighbouring municipalities to see if they charge the inspection fee to the property owner.

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

i) YAK Youth Services.

The Committee agreed to consider the YAK Youth Services – Funding Request in the amount of \$6000 during the 2015 Budget Process.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Keith Kerr, Reeve

Amanda Mabo, Clerk

# DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

## 2015 OPERATING BUDGET

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## Changes

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Corporate Image should be Community Relations



## Financial Changes to Budget

- > Additional Cost of \$9,500 for WSIB
  - Received verbal information today on WSIB rate which increased from \$2.02/\$100 of salary in 2014 to \$2.88/\$100 of salary in 2015
  - Original budget estimate increase was \$2.10/\$100 of salary



## Financial Changes to Budget

- > Increase \$5,000 revenue to Tax Penalty account (from \$95,000 to \$100,000)
  - > Net Change to Budget is \$4,500 increase or 0.10%

