



Budget Meeting Minutes

**Monday, March 25, 2024
4:00 PM**

Present

Trevor Bazinet, Mayor
Leah Noel, Deputy Mayor
Allison Segeren, Councillor
John Thompson, Councillor
Randy Carroll, Councillor
Liz Petrie, Councillor
Vanessa Kelly, Councillor

Staff Present

Janice Hallahan, Chief Administrative Officer
Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer
Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations
Andrea Rowntree, Administrative Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
Lori Rounds, Finance and Taxation Manager
Tara Darnbrough, Finance and Taxation Manager

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

2.1 Councillor Petrie - Item 8.4 - Community Grants

Councillor Petrie declares a pecuniary interest on the Community Grant portion of the agenda, as she is a committee member for DART, and they have submitted a grant application.

- 3. UNANIMOUS MOTION**

Moved By: Councillor Kelly
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That Goderich Town Council hereby unanimously consents to discussing and considering the following at the March 25, 2024, Budget meeting at 4 PM;

1. 2024 Draft Budget

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4.1 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Segeren

Seconded By: Councillor Thompson

That the Town of Goderich Council hereby accepts the March 25, 2024, Council Budget Agenda, as printed.

CARRIED

5. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW AND GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: 2024 Draft Budget Changes Listing

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Deanna Hastie reviews the 2024 Draft Budget Changes Listing.

8.2 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: 2024 Draft Budget Revised Reserve, Reserve Fund and Capital Summary

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Deanna Hastie reviews the 2024 Draft Budget Revised Reserve, Reserve Fund and Capital Summary.

8.3 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: 2024 Draft Budget Options

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Deanna Hastie reviews the 2024 Draft Budget Options.

Following discussion;

Moved By: Councillor Carroll

Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Council approve the budget in principle with a 5.91% tax rate increase and direct staff to prepare a By-Law approving the 2024 Budget to be brought forward at the next Council meeting scheduled for April 8, 2024;

And That all of the Huckins Street rent revenue be transferred to the Infrastructure Reserve Fund.

CARRIED

8.4 Community Grants

Following discussion;

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Thompson

That Council approve the community grant request from the Huron Domestic Assault Team (DART) in the amount of \$425.00.

CARRIED

Moved By: Councillor Carroll
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Council rescind the previous motion made at the January 29, 2024 Budget meeting to deny the Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Bruce North Huron community grant request.

CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Council approve the community grant request from Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Bruce North Huron in the amount of \$3,000.00.

CARRIED

9. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved By: Councillor Kelly
Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

That leave be given to introduce By-Law No. 38 of 2024 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Goderich Town Council meeting held on March 25, 2024, and that it now be read a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this March 25, 2024

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Councillor Petrie
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That Goderich Town Council does now adjourn at 4:53 PM to meet again at the regular meeting of Council scheduled for April 8, 2024, at 4 PM.

CARRIED

MAYOR, Trevor Bazinet

CLERK, Andrea Fisher