



Budget Meeting (via Zoom Video Conferencing)

February 3, 2022

A Budget meeting of the Corporate & Residential Services Committee was held on the above date via Virtual Video Conferencing.

Councillor Perry, Chairperson of the Corporate & Residential Services Committee, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

All members of Council were present, with the exception Councillors Hebb, Isenor, Garden-Cole and Knockwood. Councillors Hebb, Isenor and Garden-Cole joined the meeting before 6:50 pm. Councillor Knockwood sent regrets.

Staff Present:

- Ms. Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer
- Mr. Adam Clarkson, Director of Corporate Services
- Ms. Alana Tapper, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture
- Ms. Catherine Jobin, Community Development Coordinator
- Ms. Sue Surrette, Director of Finance
- Mr. John Woodford, Director of Planning & Development
- Mr. Jesse Hulsman, Director of Infrastructure & Operations
- Ms. Janice Taylor, Manager of Finance
- Mr. Jordan Baltzer, Accountant and Budget Analyst
- Mr. Tom Gignac, Manager of Information Services
- Ms. Juliann Cashen, Communications Officer
- Ms. Sheralee MacEwan, Assistant Municipal Clerk
- Ms. Alana Mosher, Administrative Assistant

CONTINUATION OF BUDGET PRESENTATION

The Director of Finance presented a continuation of the 2022/2023 budget presentation starting from slide 49:

A copy of the presentation was attached to the agenda and available to Committee members.

Councillors had their questions answered by staff.

BUSINESS PLAN

The CAO presented the Business Plan and Budget 2022/2023 presentation. A copy was attached to the agenda and available to Committee members.

Councillors had their questions answered by staff.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND 2022/2023

The Community Development Coordinator presented a report titled “*Community Partnership Fund 2022/2023*” dated January 11, 2022. A copy of the report was attached to the agenda and available to all committee members.

CRS22(7)
February

On the motion of Councillor Tingley and Warden Roulston:

8:56

Moved that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommends to Council, that Council approve the list of recommended Community Partnership Fund Organizations to be included in the draft 2022/2023 budget and grants to be disbursed following final budget approval:

Organization	2022/2023 Grant
Corridor Community Options for Adults	\$15,000
East Hants Community Rider	\$50,000*
East Hants Family Resource Centre	\$10,000
East Hants Historical Society	\$15,813
East Hants Sports Heritage Society	\$5,000
East Hants Youth Links	\$6,000
Senior Safety Program Association of Hants County	\$20,000
Kids Action (Annapolis Valley-Hants Community Action Program)	\$10,000

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

CRS22(8)
February

On the motion of Councillor Rhyno and Warden Roulston:

Moved that the Corporate & Residential Services Committee adjourn at 8:58 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Approved by: Sue Surrette, Director of Finance
Date: February 4, 2022

Approved by: Alana Tapper, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
Date: February 4, 2022

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Budget Meeting (via Zoom Video Conferencing)

February 8, 2022

A Budget meeting of the Corporate & Residential Services Committee was held on the above date via Virtual Video Conferencing.

Councillor Perry, Chairperson of the Corporate & Residential Services Committee, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

All members of Council were present, with the exception of Councillors Hebb and Rhyno who sent regrets. Warden Roulston and Councillor Moussa joined the meeting before 6:44 pm.

Staff Present:

- Ms. Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer
- Mr. Adam Clarkson, Director of Corporate Services
- Ms. Alana Tapper, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture
- Ms. Catherine Jobin, Community Development Coordinator
- Ms. Sue Surette, Director of Finance
- Mr. John Woodford, Director of Planning & Development
- Mr. Jesse Hulsman, Director of Infrastructure & Operations
- Ms. Janice Taylor, Manager of Finance
- Mr. Jordan Baltzer, Accountant and Budget Analyst
- Mr. Tom Gignac, Manager of Information Services
- Ms. Juliann Cashen, Communications Officer
- Ms. Sheralee MacEwan, Assistant Municipal Clerk
- Ms. Alana Mosher, Administrative Assistant

GENERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS 2022/2023

The Community Development Coordinator presented a report titled “**General Government Grants 2022/2023**” dated January 10, 2022. A copy of the report was attached to the agenda and available to all committee members.

CRS22(9)
February

On the motion of Councillor Greene and Deputy Warden Mitchell:

Moved that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommends to Council, that pending appropriate documentation is received, Council approve the following General Government Grants for disbursement in 2022/2023:

- ***Remembering Canada’s Heroes \$1,000***
- ***Hants County Exhibition \$500***
- ***East Hants Crime Prevention \$825***
- ***Hants County Christmas Angels Society \$1,000***
- ***Dr. Snow Bursaries \$3,000***

- *East Hants Foodbanks \$5,000*
- *Kids Action Program (Christmas Program) \$1,000*

MOTION CARRIED

BYLAW F-400-7, AN AMENDMENT TO BYLAW F-400, EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION BYLAW

The Community Development Coordinator presented a report titled “*Bylaw F-400-7, an amendment to Bylaw F-400, Tax Exemption Bylaw*” dated January 12, 2022. A copy of the report was attached to the agenda and available to all committee members. 6:39

CRS22(10)
February

On the motion of Councillor Greene and Deputy Warden Mitchell:

Moved that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommends to Council, that that Council give first reading to By-law F-400-7, an amendment to By-law F-400, Tax Exemption By-law, and be amended to reflect the following changes:

- *Remove Property # 7857012, East Hants Arena Association*
- *Remove Property # 7857020, East Hants Arena Association*
- *Remove Property # 03397645, Trustees of Clarksville Community Hall*
- *Correct name of Property # 01360884 to read East Noel Heritage Schoolhouse Society*

MOTION CARRIED

WINTER MAINTENANCE PAVED PATHS

The Director of Parks Recreation and Culture presented a report titled “*Winter Maintenance to Municipally Owned Paved Active Transportation Pathways*” dated January 31, 2022. A copy of the report was attached to the agenda and available to all committee members.

CRS22(11)
February

On the motion of Councillors Tingley and Warden Knockwood:

7:00

Moved that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommends to Council, that Council give notice of intent to approve:

1. *The extension of the Sidewalk Performance Standards for Plowing, De-Icing and Snow Removal found in the East Hants Policy for Winter Clearing Standard for Roads & Sidewalks to municipally owned paved Active Transportation pathways at Ashford Way, Kali Lane and Tyler Street;*
2. *Providing winter maintenance to future municipally owned Active Transportation pathways that fit the following criteria:*
 - a) *Are built to sidewalk standard and fully paved;*

- b) *At minimum 1.5 meters wide;*
- c) *Are an extension of municipally owned and year-round maintained sidewalks or Active Transportation route;*
- d) *Within the Urban Service Rate area;*
- e) *Provide connectivity between municipal and/or provincial assets.*

MOTION CARRIED

CAPITAL BUDGET 2022/2023

The Director of Finance presented the draft 2022/2023 Capital Budget. 7:01

A copy of the presentation was attached to the agenda and available to Committee members.

Councillors had their questions answered by staff.

The CAO brought forward additional topics for consideration:

1. Confirmation Councillors are interested in seeing options to bring money in from reserves to hold the General Tax Rate the same as last year, based on conversations to date.
2. Human Resources (HR) Report to be posted later this week. The CAO provided a summary of highlights of the HR Report.
3. Water Utility Budget - Expected to be ready in the next week. Can be considered for approval in February or March.
4. Councillors unanimously agreed that the CAO may proceed to go to market for a new water operator.

Committee members agreed to cancel the February 10, 2022 Budget meeting. Remaining budget related business will be brought forward during the Executive Committee meeting next week. The February 17, 2022 Budget meeting will be used, if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

CRS22(12) On the motion of Warden Roulston and Councillor Knockwood:
February

Moved that the Corporate & Residential Services Committee adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Approved by: Sue Surrette, Director of Finance
Date: February 9, 2022

Approved by: Alana Tapper, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
Date: February 9, 2022

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