



**CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF CLARENCE-ROCKLAND
BUDGET SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

November 7, 2019
Council Chambers
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

PRESENT: Guy Desjardins, Mayor
 Samuel Cardarelli, Councillor Ward 1
 Mario Zanth, Councillor Ward 2
 Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3
 Don Bouchard, Councillor Ward 4
 André J. Lalonde, Councillor Ward 5
 Christian Simard, Councillor Ward 6
 Michel Levert, Councillor Ward 7
 Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8
 Helen Collier, Chief Administrative Officer
 Monique Ouellet, Clerk
 Maryse St-Pierre, Deputy Clerk

1. Opening of the meeting

Mayor Desjardins calls the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

2. Adoption of the agenda

RESOLUTION COW2019-146

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

Mayor Desjardins declares a pecuniary interest in regards to the discussions for the Mayor's position salary increase.

4. Infrastructure and Planning Services' 2020 Preliminary Budget Presentation

Frederic Desnoyers presents a summary of the decisions taken during the last budget meetings. He proposes further changes for consideration.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the following changes, as recommended by the Treasurer be approved:

- budget pressure of \$3,500 for the Expo Clarence-Rockland be increased by \$7,000 instead of \$6,500, for a total amount of \$10,500;
- the budget for the Ontario Municipalities Partnership Fund be increased by \$5,200 for a total amount of \$615,330;
- the budget for consultation for the Department of Information Technology be reduced by \$50,000 in order to be reallocated to the salary budget for the new position.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$550,000 for the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (ARA) be deferred to the 2021 Budget.

Capital Budget (continuation)

Further to questions, Brian Wilson explains the details of the vehicles' rotation schedule for the Protective Services.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$72,000 for the replacement of 2009 SUV be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$65,000 for the purchase of a new vehicle for the Protective Services be rejected.

Infrastructure and Planning Department.

Julian Lenhart presents the budget pressures for the Infrastructure and Planning Department.

Mr. Lenhart presents the details in regards to the level of service for snow removal as per the current policy.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the Infrastructure and Planning Department be mandated to proceed with a review of the snow removal policy in order to adjust the service level.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed operational budget for the Infrastructure and Planning Department be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed operational budget for the Water Services, Sewer Services, Waste Services and Capital Project Services be approved.

Capital Budget:

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$450,000 for the design of Poupart Road, St-Jean Street and certain intersections be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$380,000 to complete the Hunter's Hollow Subdivision Project be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$20,000 for the Air Pak Compressor be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$35,000 for the salt dome be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$27,000 for the LED traffic lights be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget of \$2,950,000 for the road repairs be approved, and that the Administration be mandated to review the 10-year plan in order to propose new priorities to Council, and that a special meeting be held for that purpose.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$55,000\$ for the replacement of the 1-ton truck be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$55,000\$ for the replacement of the 3/4-ton truck be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$50,000\$ for the purchase of a new water utility vehicle be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$700,000 for the replacement of tandem trucks (2010 and 2550) be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$981,000 for the water system replacement on Wallace Street be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the Infrastructure and Planning Department be mandated to prepare a report regarding the sidewalk tractor for the consideration in Budget 2021.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the Administration be mandated to prepare a report to determine what is included within the operational review of the municipality service level.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the list of Councillors initiatives be considered in the determination of the road repairs to be included in the budgetary envelope.

5. Administration's 2020 Preliminary Budget Presentation

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget for legal fees be reduced by \$25,000.

Mayor Desjardins leaves the Council Chambers further to his pecuniary interest.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget pressure in the amount of \$54,300 to double the Mayor's hours be rejected.

Mayor Desjardins returns to his seat.

6. Finance Services' 2020 Preliminary Budget Presentation

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget for consultation services be reduced by \$10,000.

Capital Budget:

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed capital budget in the amount of \$60,000 for the Community Benefit Charge Study be approved.

Corporate

Frédéric Desnoyers presents the budget for the Corporate Development.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget in the amount of \$100,000 for the contribution to the Economic Development Reserve be increased of \$25,000.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget in the amount of \$85,127 for the new long-term debt be reduced to \$70,000.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget in the amount of \$50,000 for the adjustment to the Provincial Offences Act Fines be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget in the amount of \$14,500 for the annual increase of the contribution to the South Nation Conservation Authority be approved.

DIRECTIVE: THAT the proposed budget in the amount of \$380,000 for the Assessment Base Growth be approved.

7. 2020 Preliminary Budget Wrap-up

DIRECTIVE: THAT an amount of \$108,540 be added to the Road Reserve Fund Budget in order to increase the tax rate to 3%.

8. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourns the meeting at 9:22 pm.

Guy Desjardins, Mayor

Maryse St-Pierre, Deputy Clerk