

March 15, 2018

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, March 15th, 2018 the Finance Committee of the Township of South Algonquin held a 2018 Budget Meeting.

Present – Mayor Jane Dumas	Staff - Holly Hayes, CAO/Clerk Treasurer
Councillor Joe Florent	Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Councillor Bill Rodnick, Chair	Jennifer Baragar, Finance Clerk-Recording Secretary
Councillor Richard Shalla	
Councillor Sandra Collins	Fire Chief John Stubbs
	Fire Chief Aurel Thom

Regrets- Councillor John Brown, Councillor Dave Harper

1. OPEN MEETING/CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Bill Rodnick, Chair of the Finance Committee called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: J. Dumas

Seconded by: S. Collins

To adopt the agenda as prepared for Budget meeting of Thursday, March 15, 2018 as circulated.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None.

4. BUDGET--DRAFT 1

Discussed and reviewed:

- Holly Hayes – CAO/Clerk Treasurer
 - A general overview of the 2018 draft budget was discussed by the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer.
 - Slideshow presentation topics included; defining the budget process, expenses, levies paid to the province, revenues, provincial grants and assessment changes, Recreation Committee reserve transfers, taxation rates.
- Recreation & Cultural Services
 - Discussion regarding \$3000.00 proposed for a monument be reallocated to the playground equipment funds for Madawaska J.R. Booth Park playground project.
- Protection Services
 - Discussion surrounding the purchase of a fire truck for Madawaska Fire Department. Staff was directed to investigate purchasing a used vehicle that could be retrofitted with the proper equipment. Fire Chiefs John Stubbs and Aurel Thom stated it would be essential to have the most seating possible when considering the purchase.
- Transportation Services
 - Discussion surrounding the Victoria Lake Culvert ownership and responsibility.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE:

First and Second reading of 2018 Budget is scheduled for April 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Third reading of 2018 Budget is scheduled for Special Council meeting on April 19, 2018 at 6:45 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: R. Shalla

Seconded by: J. Dumas

To adjourn the Preliminary Budget Meeting of March 15, 2018 at 9:15 p.m.

Councillor Bill Rodnick

Holly Hayes, CAO/Clerk Treasurer

Jennifer Baragar, Finance Clerk-Recording Secretary