

# SPECIAL MEETING OF TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Monday, November 28, 2016 at 2:00 PM Fraser River Presentation Theatre 4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

#### **MINUTES**

PRESENT: Mayor J. Froese

Councillors P. Arnason, D. Davis, C. Fox, B. Long, A. Quaale, K. Richter, and B. Whitmarsh

M. Bakken, S. Gamble, R. Seifi, H. Tsikayi, P. Tulumello, and J. Winslade

S. Little, K. Sinclair, and K. Stepto

# A. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

# A.1 Special Council Meeting Agenda - November 28, 2016

Moved by Councillor Quaale, Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh, That Council adopt the agenda and receive the agenda items of the Special Council meeting held November 28, 2016. CARRIED

## **B. PRESENTATIONS**

# B.1 2017 Draft Capital and Operating Budget

K. Sinclair reviewed questions raised by Council at the November 7 and 21 budget workshops regarding the Draft 2017 Capital Budget and Preliminary 2017 Operating Budget.

MEETING RECESSED

The meeting recessed at 4:10pm.

MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 4:18pm.

K. Sinclair provided a summary of budget changes starting with the base. She noted that in past years, 100% tax revenue from growth was attributed to the Base. In the original presentation this year, only a portion of tax revenue from growth (0.92%) was attributed to the base with the balance, 1.08%, being attributed to new requests presented. An adjustment to include 100% tax revenue from growth for 2017 was presented. A review

of potential funding options followed, with the impact on a representative house.

The following items were flagged with emphasis:

- Sidewalk Improvements: 272 Street; 28 to 29 Avenue
- Sidewalk on 96 Avenue in Fort Langley
- Tall Timbers Connections

#### **MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Arnason,

Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

That Council consider the following 2017 Utility User Pay base budget changes:

- Water User Pay levy increase of 1.55%
- Sanitary Sewer User Levy rate increase of 5.93%
- Solid Waste User Pay levy of (0.00%)

## **CARRIED**

#### **MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

That Council consider a 2017 Universal Services base budget increase of 1.95%.

**CARRIED** 

## **MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Long,

That Council consider one of the following 2017 options be added to the Universal Services base budget:

- Option 1 Infrastructure only (4.35%)
- Option 2 Blended option (4.39%)
- Option 3 Blended with no Protective Services (4.35%)

#### **AMENDMENT**

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Long,

That staff be directed to develop an Option 4 representing a blend of Infrastructure, Service Enhancements, and Protective Services with a tax increase not to exceed 3.99%.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Long,

Seconded by Councillor Richter,

That Option 4 not include a specific percentage of tax increase.

**CARRIED** 

Mayor Froese and Councillor Fox opposed

AMENDMENT, AS AMENDED

The question was called on the amendment, as amended, and it was CARRIED

Councillor Richter opposed

MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED

The question was called on the Main Motion, as amended, and it was CARRIED

Councillor Richter opposed

**MOTION** 

Moved by Councillor Whitmarsh, Seconded by Councillor Quaale,

That Council authorize staff to schedule Public Open Houses on January 16 and 17, 2017 and host on-line feedback tools for the purposes of obtaining public input for the period January 1st to January 22nd. CARRIED

## **C. OTHER BUSINESS**

## D. TERMINATE

Moved by Councillor Fox, Seconded by Councillor Quaale, That the meeting terminate at 5:15pm. CARRIED CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor	 
Township Clerk	