



The Corporation of the Township of Dawn-Euphemia

- M I N U T E S -

Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 6, 2023
4:00 pm, Municipal Office, 4591 Lambton Line

Present: Mayor: A. Broad
Councillors: A. Gray
P. LeBoeuf
M. McGuire
J. Meyer

Staff Present: D. Clermont, Administrator-Clerk
P. Dalton, Public Works Superintendent
M. Seguin, Treasurer (Left at 5:30)
T. Towstiuc, Deputy-Clerk
T Cartlidge, Deputy-Treasurer (Left at 5:30)

Disclosures: Councillor Gray declared a pecuniary interest on Item 3a) of the Budget Presentation (Fire Only). Councillor Gray left the meeting at the time the matter was discussed and did not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter.

Delegations: Marc Seguin, Treasurer
4:00 – 5:00 pm Presentation and Adoption of the 2023 Budget

The Treasurer presented the Final 2023 budget to Council and reviewed the operating and capital budgets for the following departments: Capital Expenditure, Grants and Donations, Administration, Planning and Development, Public Works, Water, Social Services and Recreation and Culture.

The final budget made changes from the previous draft, including:

- Changes to Fire (\$50k), DECC reserves (\$10k)
- Removed speaker system (70k), added stove for DECC (\$19k)
- Minor alterations to departments based on suggestions and reviews

The final budget presented has considered the following:

- Total budgeted cash requirements: \$4,443,806
- Budget increase from previous year: 5.9%
- Gravel expenditure: \$950,000
- The projected rate of inflation in Canada for 2023 is approximately 3%

Consultation and considerations from the Treasurer, Administrator-Clerk, Public Works Superintendent and Dawn-Euphemia Fire Department we used to determine the requirements for the 2023 Budget.

Council discussed the Budget, as presented, as well the additional donation request received after the initial draft Budget was presented, and the following resolutions were passed:

2023-17 Councillor LeBoeuf– Councillor Gray

That Council approve a donation of \$250 for the Lambton County Plowman’s Association, to be added to the 2023 Budget. *Carried*

Lambton Plowman’s Donation

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

Councillor Gray is now absent from the meeting. Council discussed the Dawn-Euphemia Fire Department Budget, as presented by the Treasurer, and the following resolution was passed:

2023-18 Councillor LeBoeuf – Councillor McGuire
 That Council hereby adopts the 2023 Dawn-Euphemia Fire Department Budget, as presented by the Treasurer. *Carried*

2023 DEFD Budget Adoption

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
-----	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

Councillor Gray is now present for the remainder of the meeting. The following resolution was passed, subsequent to the budget presentation.

2023-19 Councillor McGuire – Councillor Meyer
 That subsequent to the Public Meeting and Presentation of the 2023 Budget, Council hereby adopts the 2023 Budget, as presented by the Treasurer. *Carried*

2023 Budget Adoption

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

Reserve Policy Proposal

Council reviewed the proposed Reserve Policy and Reserve Summaries. Council made several changes and requested that the Policy return to Council once amendments are made, along with a report on Reserve Surplus Allocations for 2023.

2023-20 Councillor LeBoeuf – Councillor Gray
 That the minutes of the January 24, 2023 Regular Council Meeting be adopted. *Carried.*

Minutes – January 24, 2023

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

2023-21 Councillor Meyer – Councillor LeBoeuf
 That Council proceed with the RED grant proposal for a new sound system and new stove at the Dawn-Euphemia Community Center, estimated award of \$50,000 and cost of \$100,000; And that GrantMatch be brought on to facilitate the bid proposal to be brought forth to the Ontario Trillium Foundation. *Carried.*

RED Grant Proposal

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

2023-22 Councillor McGuire – Councillor Gray
 That Council acknowledge receipt of the letter dated January 30, 2023, from Ken Phillips, General Manager, St. Clair Region Conservation Authority RE: Virtual Meeting to Present the 2023 Draft Budget and Budget Process, and the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority 2023 Draft Budget. *Carried.*

SCRCA 2023 Draft Budget

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

Other Business

Council discussed the historical ownership of the Shetland Campground and requested that staff bring back information on the same matter.

2023-23 Councillor Meyer – Councillor LeBoeuf
 That this Regular Session of Council be hereby adjourned at the hour of 5:45 pm, to meet again on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 @ 6:30 pm (Regular Meeting), or at the call of the Chair. *Carried.*

Adjournment

Recorded Vote	
Vote	
Y	A. Broad
Y	A. Gray
Y	P. LeBoeuf
Y	M. McGuire
Y	J. Meyer

 Mayor

 Administrator-Clerk