



Haldimand
County

**THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

Date: March 3, 2022
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building

COUNCIL PRESENT K. Hewitt, Mayor (participated electronically)
B. Corbett, Deputy Mayor (chaired the meeting)
S. Patterson, Councillor
J. Metcalfe, Councillor
D. Lawrence, Councillor
T. Dalimonte, Councillor
R. Shirton, Councillor

STAFF PRESENT C. Manley, Chief Administrative Officer
M. Evers, General Manager, Community & Development Services
T. Haedrich, General Manager, Engineering & Capital Works
M. Jamieson, Director, Human Resources
M. Merritt, General Manager, Financial & Data Services
P. Mete, General Manager, Public Works Operations
D. Pressey, Director, Roads Operations
P. Diette, CEO, Haldimand County Library
K. Franklin, Manager, Engineering Services
J. Gallagher, Manager, Emergency Services / Fire Chief
B. Hedges, Manager, Environmental Operations
J. Jacobs, Administrator, Grandview Lodge
H. Love, Supervisor, Budget & Financial Planning
J. Misner, Manager, Facilities & Parks Operations
K. Mowat, Supervisor, Facility Operations, Grandview Lodge
K. Schmitz, Manager, Community Development & Partnerships
E. Eichenbaum, Manager, Clerks Division / Municipal Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Corbett called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The Mayor and all Members of Council were in attendance. Mayor Hewitt participated electronically.

C. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1 Opening Remarks

C. Manley provided an overview of the matters being covered within the 2022 Tax Supported Capital Budget and Forecast, noting the significant dollar value of projects. Some key drivers relate to changing provincial requirements. The budget has been indexed by anticipated rates of inflation and a number of projects already in the budget are facing increased costs. The budget totals \$35 million.

2 Presentation – Overview of the Draft Tax Supported Capital Budget and Forecast 2022-2031

H. Love provided an overview of the principles taken into account to maintain sustainability when drafting the budget. The project prioritization and timing process was outlined. Infrastructure financing needs, details of the 10-year forecast, long-term debt financing, and impact on reserves and reserve funds were noted.

3 Presentation of Capital Budgets – Applicable General Manager/Director

Staff from each division responded to inquiries related to the proposed budget. In referencing community recreation projects and an ongoing community engagement survey, Councillor Shirton committed to providing \$2.5 million from the Ward 5 Community Vibrancy Fund for the construction of a sporting complex that will serve the wider Dunnville area.

Mayor Hewitt left for the remainder of the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

3.1 Project Briefs for Consideration

Recommendation 1

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT the 2022 Draft Tax Supported Capital Budget and Forecast 2022-2031 be amended as follows:

- Page # 110, Nanticoke Parks:
 - In the year 2022, add Waterfront Way Enhancements, with a gross expenditure of \$800,000 and related financing of \$400,000 from Ward 1 Community Vibrancy Funding; and \$400,000 from Ward 2 Community Vibrancy Funding.

CARRIED

Recommendation 2

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT a Ward Specific Funding Program be supported in principle, and be included for consideration in the 2023 Tax Supported Capital Budget;
2. AND THAT staff be directed to report back to Council in December 2022 on proposed project criteria and other considerations to be taken into account with this program.

CARRIED

Recommendation 3

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Shirton

THAT the installation of thirty-three (33) streetlights on Haldimand Road 55 and Concession 14 Walpole in the village of Springvale be included for consideration in the 2023 Draft Tax Supported Capital Budget, with the inclusion of related financing.

CARRIED

4 Recommendation Approval

Recommendation 4

Moved By: Councillor Dalimonte

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT the 2022 Draft Tax Supported Capital Budget and Forecast 2022-2031 be received and adopted as amended;
2. AND THAT the budgets and related financing be approved for the 2022 tax supported capital expenditures in the amount of \$35,839,450 with projected debenture financing of \$1,343,660;
3. AND THAT the Capital Forecast for Tax Supported Services, for the years 2023 to 2031 be approved in principle, in the amount of \$275,323,240 with projected debenture financing of \$14,511,740;
4. AND THAT additional contributions totaling \$107,950 be included in the 2022 Tax Supported Operating Budget as a transfer to General, Fleet and Infrastructure Technology capital reserves related to new initiatives as identified in the 2022 Tax Supported Capital Budget;

5. AND THAT an additional contribution of \$150,000 be included in the 2022 Tax Supported Operating Budget as a transfer to the Capital Replacement Reserve – Community Halls to accommodate the impacts of new expenditure estimates resulting from Building Condition Assessments;
6. AND THAT an additional contribution of \$200,000 be included in the 2022 Tax Supported Operating Budget as a transfer to the Capital Replacement Reserve - General to offset the projected depletion based on updated capital needs;
7. AND THAT the ongoing contribution to Capital Replacement Reserve – Storm be decreased by \$50,000 based on projected needs;
8. AND THAT an additional contribution of \$344,390, based on a 2% inflation adjustment for various reserves, be included in the 2022 Tax Supported Operating Budget to be transferred to the various capital reserves as included in Summary 2;
9. AND THAT the Draft 2022 Tax Supported Operating Budget reflect a total 1.00% levy increase for capital purposes;
10. AND THAT Development Related Debt be issued on existing capital projects for Caledonia Fire and EMS Station and Caledonia Arterial Road projects, as outlined in Appendix E;
11. AND THAT Development Related Debt be issued, as required, on future capital projects of Caledonia Argyle Bridge, Hagersville Library and Active Living Centre and Dunnville Fire Station, as outlined in Appendix E.

CARRIED

E. CLOSED SESSION

None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation 5

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

CARRIED

DEPUTY MAYOR

CLERK