

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DESERONTO**

**SPECIAL MEETING – MINUTES**

**MARCH 14, 2019 – 5:30 P.M. – DESERONTO TOWN HALL**

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**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>D. Johnston</b>
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	<b>S. Everhardus</b>
<b>Councillors</b>	<b>N. Clark A. Hudson K. Smith</b>
<b>CAO /Clerk-Treasurer</b>	<b>C. Martin</b>
<b>Deputy Clerk</b>	<b>G. Maracle</b>

1. **CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Johnston called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.**

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution 08-19-01**

**Moved by: S. Everhardus  
Seconded by: K. Smith**

**THAT the agenda for the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Special Budget meeting of Council be approved.**

**CARRIED**

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None noted**

4. **2019 BUDGET & FINANCE DISCUSSIONS**

**C. Martin & T. Harvey reviewed with Council, a new water billing model, that they have been working on. After a lengthy discussion, Council requested that they come up with a couple of different scenarios and a possible 5 year plan to implement a revised billing system to the public.**

**The CAO the reviewed the Draft 2019 Budget with Council and answered any questions that they had.**

**Some of the questions/comments included the following:**

**Council**

- **Possibility of spreading donation over 2 or 3 years**
- **Council inquired if Councillor Clark would be able to obtain updated stats on the number of Deserontonians who use the Napanee Hospital**
- **Check with the County to inquire as to where they purchase their i-pads**

**Admin**

- **Further investigation & costing for IT is required**
- **Council would like a review of the Town cell phone plan**

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**Fire**

- Council inquired if there had been any money set aside for 3-4 sets of new bunker gear
- Council requested that the Fire Chief be asked to attend the next meeting

**Crossing Guards**

- If there are any retirements/resignations, Council would like an analysis done
- Research for the guidelines on the number of crossing guards required

**Animal Control**

- Council would like a breakdown on the number of calls received for animal control

**Emergency Management**

- Council requested confirmation that the terms of engagement had been defined clearly

**Roads**

- Council requested clarification on the following line items: Materials for catch basins, culverts, crushed stone and cold & hot patches; education; 2018 equipment maintenance breakdown
- Council would also like a copy of the Gas Tax regulations
- Council requested that the Roads grant be put on the agenda
- Council requested the rates that are charged out for the sweeper
- Council would like to see a Job Description & Policy before the Wage review is completed

**Waste**

- Council requested that staff investigate having a Hazardous Waste Collection day
- Council was shown the notice for the 2019 Spring Clean-up

**Cemetery**

- Council inquired that the Cemetery Board investigate whether or not monument insurance can be a requirement for new monument installations

**Parks**

- Council discussed that they would like to see some tree planting this year
- Councillor Hudson will inquire into a Girl Guide Tree Planting Program

**Recreation**

- Council agreed that the Ball Hockey revenue should be removed
- Mayor Johnston advised staff to contact a resident regarding the organization of baseball this year



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- It was felt that Recreation may need a bit of an Advertising budget to promote the various programs
- Council requested that all dead-line items be removed

**Arena**

- Council felt that the ice rental revenue line item should be higher

**5. BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL**

**5.1 By-law to confirm proceedings**

**RESOLUTION 08-19-02**

Moved by: S. Everhardus  
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT by-law 21-19, being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings of Council Meeting of March 14, 2019, be read a first and second time this 14th day of March 2019.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 08-19-03**

Moved by: S. Everhardus  
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT by-law 21-19, being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings of Council Meeting of March 14, 2019, be read a third and final time this 14th day of March 2019.

**CARRIED**

**6. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Resolution 08-19-03**

Moved by: S. Everhardus  
Seconded by:

THAT the March 14, 2019 Special Budget meeting be adjourned.



**MAYOR**



**CAO / CLERK-TREASURER**