MINUTES

for the

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

March 7, 2023
9:00 a.m.
Carling Council Chambers
2 West Carling Bay Road, Nobel, Ontario

Attendance

Council Members Present
Mayor Murphy
Councillor Cook
Councillor Doubrough
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Wing (Attended Virtually)

Staff Present
Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk
Mackenzie Taylor, Records Clerk / Deputy Clerk
Sylvia Roy, Treasurer
Gord Harrison, Fire Chief

There were 4 members of the public who attended virtually

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1. CALL TO ORDER

They Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

3. PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING

Staff presented an overview of the budget and Council provided comments on a number of budget items. The Mayor opened the floor to the public for comments.
Daniel Verite asked Council about equipment replacement and the funds that would be available to the Township if an emergency situation such as an extreme snowstorm.

Daryle Moffatt asked questions regarding the Township's reserves and the long term plans for the Snug Harbour Lighthouse. He raised concerns about the wage increase and wants to see the Township start a Finance Committee.

Robin Plumb spoke about the reserves and the wage increase.

Richard Wilson asked about the funds that were moved to a reserve allocated for the creation of a new waste site.

Chris McNeely asked questions about the Township's reserves and investments.

Gary Bauer addressed his concerns regarding the Township's reserves. He would like to see a 0% tax increase.

Bob Weir addressed service levels in his comments to Council.

Janina DeGroote asked Council about staffing, she also asked about funds for maintaining the Township's upper parking lot.

4. BUDGET DISCUSSION

Council discussed the comments that were made to the public and their thoughts on the overall budget process.

5. TAX RATIOS

2023-04 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Cook

BEING A BY-LAW to set the tax ratios for municipal purposes for the 2023 year.

Carried

6. TAX RATES

2023-05 **Moved by Councillor Kelly**
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

BEING A BY-LAW to adopt the current estimates and to levy the rates of taxation for the year 2023.

Carried

7. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2023-06 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm the proceedings of the Special Meeting of Council held on March 7, 2023.

Carried

8. ADJOURNMENT

23-012 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Special Meeting of Council be adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Carried

Susan Murphy, Mayor

Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk