

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS**

**BUDGET MEETING**

**7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers  
April 12, 2010**

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Mitch Twolan</b>	<b>(P)</b>
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	<b>Wilfred Gamble</b>	<b>(P)</b>
<b>Councillors</b>	<b>Lillian Abbott</b>	<b>(P)</b>
	<b>Don Murray</b>	<b>(P)</b>
	<b>Anne Eadie</b>	<b>(P)</b>
	<b>Jeff Elliott</b>	<b>(P)</b>
	<b>Jim Hanna</b>	<b>(P)</b>
<b>Administrator</b>	<b>Mary Rose Walden</b>	<b>(P)</b>
<b>Director of Public Works</b>	<b>Hugh Nichol</b>	<b>(A)</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Jodi MacArthur</b>	<b>(P)</b>
<b>Director of Facilities &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>Mike Fair</b>	<b>(A)</b>

**Others Present:** Kristen Shane, Ken Kilpatrick, Sara Bender, Wayne Lowry

**MINUTES**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Twolan called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**1.1 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Nature of Interest</u>
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None Disclosed

**2.0 DELEGATIONS**

- 2.1 Mayor Twolan invited Wayne Lowry, who was present in the audience, to speak as an unscheduled delegation. Mr. Lowry expressed concern to Council about the cost of the Huron Road Reconstruction project. He asked Council what their policy was on continuing curb and gutter style construction. He also felt that curb and gutter was not necessary and that it should be paid for by the property owners who are receiving the benefit.

ACTION: Council thanked Mr. Lowry for his comments and acknowledged his concerns.

**3.0 2010 DRAFT BUDGET**

- 3.1 Water & Sewer Draft Budget

STAFF COMMENTS: Staff would like to review in detail, as we ran out of time at the February meeting.

ACTION: Increase water service rate to \$250.00 effective January 1, 2010 and \$280.00 effective January 1, 2011.

3.2 Second Draft of the General Budget

STAFF COMMENTS: Staff has made the adjustments to the first draft, as directed at the February meeting. The result is a 5% increase to the municipal tax rate. In 2009, the average single family residential home was assessed at 205,073 and paid a total of \$2,357.26 in property taxes. In 2010, that same property could expect to be assessed at 218,362 and would pay a total of \$2,478.07; an increase of \$120.81 or 5.12%. As always, individual properties will experience fluctuations depending on their assessed values as compared to the averages.

ACTION: Increase the amount for Ripley Walking Trail repair from \$2,000 to \$5,000. By unanimous show of hands, Council supported the budget in principal and requested staff to bring it forward for adoption at the next Council meeting.

3.3 Kincardine Davidson Centre Revitalization Project

STAFF COMMENTS: Further to the presentation made at the February meeting, we have not discussed the possibility of a contribution to the project. Staff included \$5,000 in the second draft budget, for discussion purposes.

ACTION: Council does not wish to contribute anything at this time. Staff will delete the \$5,000 from the second draft budget.

3.4 Landfill Annual Monitoring Reports

STAFF COMMENTS: Further to the February budget meeting, Council authorized to staff to go back to the consultant in an attempt to negotiate a better price than the 5% increase that they originally proposed. PSMI has revised their quote to 2.5% per year, which staff recommends accepting.

ACTION:

Moved by Wilf Gamble  
Seconded by Anne Eadie

ACCEPT  
QUOTES FOR  
LANDFILL AGM  
REPORTS

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THAT Huron-Kinloss Township Council hereby authorizes Pryde Schropp McComb Inc. to prepare the 2010 and 2011 annual monitoring report for the Huron and Kinloss Landfill Sites.

Carried

3.5 Mid-Huron Landfill Site Projected Deficit

STAFF COMMENTS: Mid-Huron is proposing to "phase in" the deficit. As we had already included the entire projected deficit in this year's budget, we see no real advantage to prolonging raising our share. We are proposing leaving the budget amount the same and transferring any unused amount into a reserve at year end.

ACTION:

Moved by Jeff Elliott  
Seconded by Don Murray

MID-HURON  
LANDFILL  
DEFICIT                    111

THAT Huron-Kinloss Township Council hereby authorizes the Treasurer to transfer any difference between the projected deficit for Mid-Huron Landfill Site and the phased in amount, into a reserve at the end of 2010.

Carried

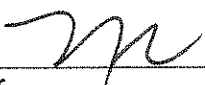
**4.0    ADJOURN**

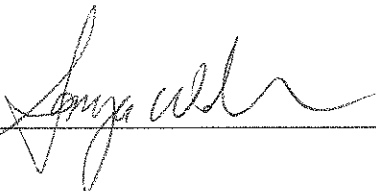
Moved by Lillian Abbott  
Seconded by Jim Hanna

ADJOURN                    112

THAT Huron-Kinloss Township Council do now adjourn to meet again on April 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. or at the Call of the Mayor.

Carried

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk