THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWOLD

MINUTES

Special Council Meeting
For the purpose of Budget Deliberations
Wednesday January 23, 2020
4:00 p.m., Council Chambers, Fingal

PRESENT: Mayor G. Jones
Councillors: S. Emons
P. North
J. Pennings

ALSO PRESENT: Katherine Thompson, CAO/Clerk
Jeff Carswell, Treasurer

ABSENT: Deputy Mayor R. Monteith

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA:

DISCLOSURES:
There were no disclosures made.

REPORT

OTHER BUSINESS

(a) 2020 Budget Deliberations
  - Operating and Capital Budget

Tab 13 – Streetlights

Council would like the budget to include 2 streetlights in Fingal. They would also like the results of the streetlight survey to be attached to the next agenda.

Tab 14 – Waste Management

The Zero Waste Committee would like to request $2000 from Greenlane for their programming.

Tab 15 – Cemeteries
Council reviewed Tab 15 Cemeteries

Tab 16 – Keystone

Council wanted staff to provide a statistical report regarding Keystone rentals. Council directed staff to ask Greenlane for the pavilion exhaust replacement.
Council discussed the proposal for allocating $25,000 for a Rosy Rhubarb statue. It was decided that it needed to be determined if Rosy Rhubarb and the Shedden community wanted a statue before anything could proceed. Additionally, previous discussions required Rosy Rhubarb to provide a mock up of the statue for Council’s consideration. This has not occurred at this point. Council decided not to consider this item in 2020.

There was discussion surrounding the lighting that is proposed for the Keystone Complex parking lot. Council wanted to ensure that it pointed downwards so it wouldn’t be an irritant for neighbours.

The group also discussed epi pens and the request to fund them and have them at the complex. Council determined that because the Fire Department has epi pens and is trained to use them, it is best they are provided through this avenue. It was suggested that a flyer with emergency information be done up by staff to provide to renters when they sign their agreements.

Tab 17 – Parks

There was some discussion surrounding fees for use of facilities. Fees will need to be assessed when new facilities are completed. This will allow for standardization across the board. When doing so staff should look to neighbouring communities to determine what they are charging and to determine what Southwold should charge to remain competitive.

Council decided to ask Greenlane for the remainder of funding to finish the parking lot at the Shedden Open Space Park.

Accessible Parking Signs should be included at the Shedden Open Space Park.

Tab 18 – Planning, Economic Development, Other
Tab 20 – Cash and Capital Requirements
Tab 21 – Reserve Continuity Forecast
Tab 22 – Green Lane Requests
Tab 23 – Elgin County Comparisons

Council reviewed Tabs 18, 20-23.

ADJOURNMENT

2020-029 Councillor Pennings – Councillor North

THAT Council of the Township of Southwold adjourns this Special Meeting of Council for budget deliberations at 7:03 p.m.

Katherine Thompson
Clerk

Grant Jones
Mayor

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