

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING**

MINUTES

Electronic Meeting via Zoom, the meeting was recorded.

Tuesday April 5, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

A special meeting of Council was held Tuesday April 5, 2022 at 5:00 p.m., to discuss the 2022 budget. Ratepayers were invited to attend and share their views on the budget.

Members of Council were notified of this special meeting during the March 15, 2022 Council meeting, and by e-mail on March 30, 2022. The public was notified of this meeting by posting of this special meeting agenda March 30, 2022.

Mayor George Sterling and Councillor Penny Brandt participated from the municipal office. Council members attending electronically: Delynne Patterson, Celia Finley, Joe Vella.

Staff in attendance: Nancy Field, Brayden Robinson, Rick Marcoux, Judy Kosowan.

Public in attendance electronically: Paul Van Dam, Bev Abbott, Judy Ransome, Louise Simonne.

Mayor Sterling called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Attendance was announced and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

DISCUSSION:

The Treasurer Brayden Robinson, provided the updated 2022 budget. Changes from the first draft included, splitting the payment in lieu from the taxes, tires for the backhoe, final levy for hazardous waste, final figures for waste management and arena.

Capital items reviewed: granite and 'A' gravel road resurfacing projects, work on Pegg's Mountain Road, new pick-up truck, fuel pumps and the new tandem truck.

Overtime hours reported: administration: 64.5 hours (\$3,394.80) and public works: 570 hours (\$24,857.08).

The overall annual increase is two percent, which results in a residential tax increase of \$46.00/household on average.

No comments were received from the public regarding the budget.

It is intended that the 2022 budget will be adopted at the April 19, 2022 regular Council meeting.

A staff report regarding the purchase of a new fire truck was provided to Council. The following resolution was adopted.

SP, R # 3-2022 Moved by Councillor Vella, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize the Fire Chief to proceed with an RFP for a full-size pumper truck, to be delivered in 2024; and further that Ryerson Township Council commits to budgeting for its share of this purchase in 2024, the total of which is currently estimated at \$550,000.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Patterson, Vella, Sterling. (Carried)

Council received the Burks Falls and District Historical Society budget. Maintenance needed at the Wiseman Corners School was outlined. Estimates for the required work will be obtained. A resolution was adopted:

SP. R # 4-2022 Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$1,000.00 to the Burks Falls and District Historical Society for 2022.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Patterson, Vella, Sterling.
(Carried)

ADJOURNMENT:

SP. R # 5-2022 Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 5:20 p.m.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Patterson, Vella, Sterling.
(Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK