



SPECIAL COUNCIL # 07

BUDGET MEETING # 3

Monday, February 4, 2002
Meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: A Special Budget meeting was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Brian Sylvester, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Denis Carr, Susan Carter, Donald Deebank, Syd Gardiner, Dean Hollingsworth (arrived at 6:30 p.m.), Korey Kennedy (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Perry Lalonde, Claude Poirier and André Rivette.

ADMINISTRATION: Cecil Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk, David Dick, Manager of Finance, and the following Management Personnel: Stephen Alexander, Heather Arthur, Susan Cain, Suzanne Carrier-Armstrong, Barry Coleman, Debora Daigle, Roger Desjardins, David Fielding, Paul Fitzpatrick, Fernand Hamelin, Barb Landry, Conrad Miller, Tracy Poirier and Anita Roach

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Telephone Equipment

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Andre Rivette that Administration review the Telephone Equipment account and where possible, identify areas where reductions may be possible.

Motion Carried

Office of the C.A.O. [section 4] (page 20)

Cost Formulas

Moved by Councillors Claude Poirier and Naresh Bhargava that the Finance Department prepare formulas to allocate true costs of providing services and doing business by the Council, CAO and Finance departments for recoveries throughout all user departments and outside agencies.

Motion Carried

Corporate Services [section 5]

➤ **Human Resources Division** (page 28)

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Dean Hollingsworth that the City place a hiring freeze on new employees until the 2002 budget process is completed and that Managers and CAO be directed to devise a plan to restructure and identify ways of reducing the overall manpower compliment

Motion Defeated

Tax Study Comparisons

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava that Administration prepare a report that would illustrate costs for services provided and that would align our City with other municipalities to which we are compared with through the BMG tax study in order to bring our City on a more competitive level.

Motion Carried

Fire Pre-emption System

Moved by Councillors Dean Hollingsworth and Corey Kennedy that the Fire Pre-emption system be financed in the amount of \$60 thousand within the 2002 budget.

Motion Carried

Purchase Replacement to Vehicle (car 10) for Fire Department

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Claude Poirier that financing for one new vehicle (car 10) in the amount of \$30,000 be approved.

Motion Carried

Purchase of Replacement to Car 14

Moved by Councillors Andre Rivette and Claude Poirier that financing for a new vehicle (car 14) in the amount of \$30,000 be approved.

Motion Defeated

Fire Contribution to Reserves

Moved by Councillors Denis Carr and Perry Lalonde that Council approve \$100 thousand as contributions to Fire Reserves.

Motion Carried

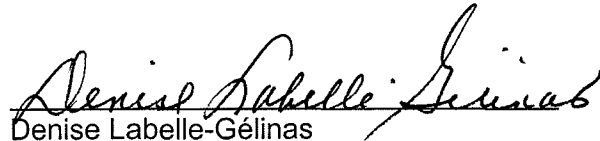
Grader With Plow/Wing


Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Andre Rivette that Council approve the purchase of a new Grader with Plow / Wing for a cost of \$320 thousand less a transfer from reserves in the amount of \$40K resulting in a net cost of \$280 thousand dollars

Motion Carried

Next meeting - Tuesday, February 5th

Adjournment: 10:10 p.m.


Denise Labelle-Gélinas
City Clerk


Brian Sylvester
Mayor

