



BUDGET SESSION #06-2006 PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL #04-2006

Monday, January 30, 2006
Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.
City Hall - 360 Pitt Street, Cornwall

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Phil Poirier, Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Joël Côté, Glen Grant, Korey Kennedy (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Jacques Lemire, Mark MacDonald, Denis Moquin, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Chris Savard

REGRETS: Councillor Perry Lalonde

ADMINISTRATION: Paul W. Fitzpatrick, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Labelle-Gélinas, City Clerk, Manon Poirier, Stephen Alexander, David Dick, Robert Menagh, Richard Bourdeau, Fernand Hamelin, Susan Cain, Normand Levac, Victor Leroux, Debora Daigle, Donna Derouchie, Norm Barrette, Tracey Bailey, Paul Scrimshaw, Conrad Miller, Len Tapp, Rob Hickley and Fay Emerton-Proulx

ADOPTION OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET AGENDA

Moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Naresh Bhargava to adopt the Special Budget Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

DISCLOSURE

Councillor Denis Moquin declared an interest TO Report #1, Cornwall Community Police Service citing that a family member currently is presently employed by the Service.

REPORTS

Having declared an interest in this matter, Councillor Denis Moquin stepped away from the meeting.

1. Cornwall Community Police Service

Chief Daniel Parkinson, accompanied by Deputy Chief Dan Aikman and Rolland Lefebvre, Treasurer, detailed to Members of Council, issues surrounding current and ongoing legal costs which will be incurred as a result of their ongoing work surrounding the Project Truth Inquiry. Chief Parkinson requested Council's endorsement in setting up a working reserve that would pay for the legal costs identified, to an upset limit of \$750,000 .

It was then moved by Councillors Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Glen Grant that a "Legal Cost Working Reserve" be established in the amount of \$750,000 for the purpose of paying legal costs that may be incurred as a result of the Project Truth Inquiry .

Motion Carried

Chief Daniel Parkinson continued his presentation and briefly spoke about the Cornwall Community Police Service 2006 Budget.

It was then moved by Councillors Jacques Lemire and Joël Côté that Council accept a reduction of \$135,000 to the Cornwall Community Police Service Budget.

Motion Carried

Chief Daniel Parkinson concluded his presentation by informing the Council that he would be seeking endorsement to a By-law at the next Regular Meeting authorizing the City and the Cornwall Community Police Service to enter into an Agreement with the Ministry of the Attorney General regarding a provincial grant for extra Police Officers.

ADMINISTRATIVE 2006 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

1. Clerk's Services - Marriage Licence Fees

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Jacques Lemire that the Clerk's Department's budget identify an increase in revenues by \$8,500 generated by the sale of Marriage Licences .

Motion Carried

2. Financial Services

a) Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Jacques Lemire that Financial Services Budget be reduced as follows:

- a) Salary savings of \$38,000 through the delay of hiring the Chief Accountant (June 30, 2006).
- b) Savings of fibre optics in the amount of \$3,000
- c) reduction on borrowing costs (interest on borrowed funds) in the amount of \$3,500.00
- d) Investment income on daily cash balance in the amount of \$50,000.00

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

**b) Finance Department
- Summer Students**

Moved by Councillors Korey Kennedy and Jacques Lemire that the budgeted amount for summer students within IT and Purchasing Departments in the amount of \$13,000 be eliminated.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Korey Kennedy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Against: Councillors Joël Côté, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Mark MacDonald

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

**c) Billing and Collection
- Supplemental Taxes and Ontario Power Generation**

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Mark MacDonald that the Supplemental taxes in an amount of \$190,000 be appropriated to the 2006 budget; and that payment in lieu of taxes in the amount of \$100,000 identified to lands owned by Ontario Power Generation also be applied to the 2006 Budget.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

3. Downtown Revitalization Loan

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Denis Moquin that Council accept the recommendation of Manger of Finance in that the funds available from extending the term of the ODRP loan be utilized for downtown revitalization programs over the course of 30 years, with the following as distribution for 2006: \$245,000 identified for Downtown Revitalization repayment loan be used towards Maximum Fitness demolitio,n and that the balance remaining of \$204,000 be used towards a reduction of a general tax levy in 2006.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

4. OMPF 2005

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Korey Kennedy that the Ontario Municipal Partnership (OMPF) fund in the amount of \$382,744 be re-adjusted to the County of S. D. & G. as its 2005-2006 share of the cost sharing agreement.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

5. Fire Department

Moved by Councillors Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Denis Moquin that the Fire Department Budget be reduced on the following items:

- Purchase of Goods - Hand held palm recorders in the amount of \$3,000
- Purchase of Goods - Rust control program in the amount of \$1,500.00
- Services and rents - Canadian Fire Chief's Convention in the amount of \$3,300
- Services and Rents - succession planning training in the amount of \$2,000
- Services and Rents - Emergency Management courses in the amount of \$1,000
- Capital contribution (traffic control pre-emption Phase II) in the amount of \$35,000
- Services and Rents - Lease Agreement with Emergency Management in the amount of \$2,000.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

6. Emergency Medical Services

Moved by Councillors Joël Côté and Naresh Bhargava that the Emergency Medical Services Budget be reduced as follows:

- Administration - Purchase of Goods in the amount of \$3,600
- Administration - Services and Rents in the amount of \$11,000
- Public Access Defibrillation - Purchase of Goods in the amount of \$500
- Public Access Defibrillation - Services and Rents in the amount of \$3,900
- Direct - Purchase of Goods in the amount of \$13,000
- Cornwall Base - Purchase of Goods in the amount of \$850
- Cornwall Base - Services and Rents in the amount of \$9,000
- Vehicle Maintenance - Purchase of Goods in the amount of \$18,000

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

Having declared an interest in this matter, Councillor Denis Moquin stepped away from the meeting.

7. Cornwall Community Police Service

Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Mark MacDonald that the previous motion made at the meeting of January 10th, 2006 in that the Cornwall Police Services budget be reduced by \$150,000 identified as a potential 2005 surplus effective December 31, 2005 now be reduced by \$50,000 rather than the previous \$150,000.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Joël Côté, Mark MacDonald and Mayor Phil Poirier

Against: Councillors Glen Grant, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Corey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Chris Savard

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Defeated

8. Municipal Works and Services

Moved by Councillors Corey Kennedy and Glen Grant that the Municipal Works and Services Budget be amended as follows:

- Removal of Chain Link Fence at Fire Hall #2 in the amount of \$6,000
- Remove the installation and replacement of Generator at Fire Hall #2 in the amount of \$52,000
- Eliminate the replacement of four (4) garage doors at Public Works Compound in the amount of \$9,500.00
- Reduce the parks furniture, benches, picnic tables and bike racks in the amount of \$5,000

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Corey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

9. Engineering

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Jacques Lemire that the Engineering Budget be amended as follows:

- Increase revenues for HRDC in the amount of \$15,000
- Increase revenues for Engineering plans and specs in the amount of \$4,000
- Increase subdivision revenues in the amount of \$5,000
- Reduce the signal maintenance electricity budget by an amount of \$12,000
- Reduce the light maintenance electricity budget by an amount of \$15,000
- Reduce the School Crossing Guards by an amount of \$10,000
- Reduce the Landfill Site Security by an amount of \$20,000
- Reduce Landfill scale maintenance by an amount of \$11,700.

9. Engineering (cont..)

A recorded vote on the Engineering Department Budget resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde and Chris Savard

Motion Carried

10. Social Support Services

No Reductions to the Social Support Services Budget .

11. Glen Stor Dun Lodge

Moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Jacques Lemire that the Glen-Stor-Dun Lodge Budget be reduced by \$10,000 through Corporate savings of new and replacement equipment.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

12. Planning and Housing Services

Moved by Councillors Mark MacDonald and Korey Kennedy that the Planning and Housing Budget be amended as follows:

- Eliminate the Summer Student in Building Division in the amount of \$4,000
- Eliminate the Document retention/storage project in the amount of \$8,000
- Increase revenues in the Building / Planning Division in the amount of \$10,000
- Reduce expenditures in the Renaissance budget in the amount of \$40,000
- Reduce expenditures through the Heritage Tax Relief program in the amount of \$2,500
- Reduce expenditures within the Local Housing budget in the amount of \$5,000

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

13. Economic Development

Moved by Councillors Mark MacDonald and Jacques Lemire that the Economic Development Budget be amended as follows:

- Savings in salary expenses as a result of a vacancy in the Manager's position for a six month period in the amount of \$25,000

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

14. Recreation Services

Moved by Councillors Jacques Lemire and Glen Grant that the Recreation Services Budget be amended as follows:

- Increase revenues within the Cornwall Civic Complex - promotion budget in the amount of \$10,672
- Increase revenues at the Bob Turner Arena for Leasing to EMS in the amount of \$1,200
Reduce Aquatic Centre budget for software purchases in the amount of \$10,602

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

15. Cornwall Public Library

Moved by Councillors Jacques Lemire and Naresh Bhargava that the Cornwall Public Library Budget be amended as follows:

- Reduce budget of Capital repairs to basement in the amount of \$50,000
- Eliminate Part-Time computer student in the amount of \$10,826
- Reduce benefits in the amount of \$1,323
- Reduce library materials in the amount of \$3,348
- Reduce library supplies and services in the amount of \$4,762
- Reduce equipment and furniture in the amount of \$1,420

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

16. Council

Moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Mark MacDonald that the Council's Budget be reduced as follows:

- Eliminate food provisions budget in the amount of \$5,000.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Korey Kennedy and Mark MacDonald

Against: Councillors Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Defeated

Moved by Councillors Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Jacques Lemire that Council's Budget be reduced as follows:

- Reduction in the food provisions budget by an amount of \$2,000

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Joël Côté, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy and Leslie O'Shaughnessy

Against: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Chris Savard, Glen Grant and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

17. Cornwall Senior Citizens Club

Moved by Councillors Glen Grant and Chris Savard that Council not approve the one-time funding of \$28,500 to the Cornwall Senior Citizens Club.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

18. Cornwall Aquatic Centre

Moved by Joël Côté and Chris Savard that Council approve an expenditure of \$22,700 taken from the investment income (Progress Fund) for the completion of the Cornwall Aquatic Centre project.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier

Against: Councillors Korey Kennedy and Glen Grant

Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde

Motion Carried

19. Eastern Ontario Health Unit

Moved by Councillors Chris Savard and Mark MacDonald that \$197,396 be added to the Eastern Ontario Health Unit budget and that a projected \$150,000 surplus from the 2005 budget be applied in order to adjust the overall requirement of the EOHU budget.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Chris Savard, Glen Grant, Mark MacDonald and Jacques Lemire
Against: Councillors Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Denis Moquin, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde **Motion Defeated**

It was then moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Chris Savard that the Eastern Ontario Health Unit Budget be increased by \$190,185 and that a projected surplus from the 2005 budget in the amount of \$225,000 be applied to adjust the overall requirement of the EOHU budget.

A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:

For: Councillors Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Korey Kennedy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Against: Councillors Joël Côté, Glen Grant, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Mark MacDonald and Denis Moquin
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde **Motion Defeated for Want of Majority**

2006 BUDGET APPROVAL

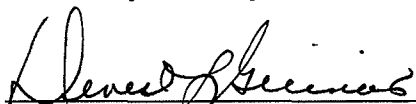
Moved by Councillors Naresh Bhargava and Denis Moquin that Council approve expenditures, as amended and identified throughout the 2006 Budget deliberations.


A recorded vote on this matter resulted as follows:


For: Councillors Glen Grant, Joël Côté, Naresh Bhargava, Jacques Lemire, Denis Moquin, Mark MacDonald, Korey Kennedy, Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Chris Savard and Mayor Phil Poirier
Absent: Councillor Perry Lalonde **Motion Carried**

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillors Leslie O'Shaughnessy and Glen Grant that the Special Budget Council Meeting of Monday, January 30, 2006, be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.


DENISE LABELLE-GÉLINAS
CITY CLERK


PHIL POIRIER
MAYOR


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January 30, 2006

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