

Concillor Chambers
City Hall
Moncton, N. B.
November 6, 2020
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES – SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Dawn Arnold	Councillor Blair Lawrence
Councillor Pierre Boudreau	Councillor Charles Léger (via Webex)
Deputy Mayor Shawn Crossman (via Webex)	Councillor Bryan Butler
Councillor Paulette Thériault	Councillor Susan Edgett (via Webex)

ABSENT

Councillor Paul Pellerin
Councillor Brian Hicks

ALSO PRESENT

M. Landry, City Manager
B. Quigley, City Clerk, Director of Legislative Services
B. Tait, Acting General Manager, Operations Services
C. Dallaire, General Manager, Recreation, Culture and Events Services
J. Doucet, CFO, General Manager, Finance Services
N. Robichaud, General Manager, Legal and Legislative Services
J. MacDonald, General Manager, Sustainable Growth and Development Services
L. Hanson, General Manager, Corporate Services
G. Houser, Deputy Treasurer/Controller
M. Thériault, Deputy Treasurer, Corporate and Management Accounting
I. LeBlanc, Director, Communication
A. Richard, Director, Design & Construction
C. Landry, Fire Chief

CALL TO ORDER

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: That the agenda be approved as circulated.

Moved by: Councillor Léger
Seconded by: Councillor Boudreau

MOTION CARRIED

READING OF MEETING NOTICE

The City Clerk read the meeting notice into the record for today's meeting calling for the consideration of the following:

5. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

5.1 Recommendation(s) – Committee of the Whole – November 4, 2020

6. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

6.1 2021 Operating, Capital and Utility Budget Summary –Resolutions

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

None declared

5. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

5.1 **Recommendation(s)** – Committee of the Whole – November 4, 2020

Motion: That an additional amount of \$87,236 for Youth Ice Users Grants be added to the Ice User Grants subsidy effective for their 2020/2021 season and an additional amount of \$10,000 for high school hockey ice grants funding be allocated for the 2020/2021 season and the remaining portion be phased in the 2021/2022 season.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Crossman

Seconded by: Councillor Léger

Mr. Landry provided the background to the following consideration to be added to the original motion.

Considerations to be added to the original Motion:

and that the total shortfall amount of \$47,236 be funded from the Water Asset Winterization level 2 request.

That administration provide an additional amount of funding to the high school teams in the following year to ultimately achieve an ice rate subsidy of 35%, similar to other youth ice user groups.

That the organizations being provided with the additional ice grant subsidy must provide evidence to the City of Moncton that they will be reducing their registration costs to their participants based on the per participant value of the ice grant provided.

Both the mover and seconder agreed to the addition.

Motion: That an additional amount of \$87,236 for Youth Ice Users Grants be added to the Ice User Grants subsidy effective for their 2020/2021 season and an additional amount of \$10,000 for high school hockey ice grants funding be allocated for the 2020/2021 season and the remaining portion be phased in the 2021/2022 season and that the total shortfall amount of \$47,236 be funded from the Water Asset Winterization level 2 request.

That administration provide an additional amount of funding to the high school teams in the following year to ultimately achieve an ice rate subsidy of 35%, similar to other youth ice user groups.

That the organizations being provided with the additional ice grant subsidy must provide evidence to the City of Moncton that they will be reducing their registration costs to their participants based on the per participant value of the ice grant provided.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Crossman

Seconded by: Councillor Léger

MOTION CARRIED

6. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

6.1 2021 Operating, Capital and Utility Budget Summary –Resolutions

Approval of 2021 Utility Operating Fund Budget.

Backgrounder:

On November 4, 2020, Council was presented the proposed 2021 Utility Operating Fund budget. The Utility Operating Budget initially proposed an overall rate increase of 1.86% for 2021. During deliberations, a motion was made to keep the residential and commercial rates at the 2020 level, therefore, a 0% rate increase for the residential and commercial rate payers for 2021. This adjustment amounted to a revenue decrease of approximately \$365,000 and Administration has adjusted the water capital stabilization reserve to balance the budget accordingly.

As a result, the Revenues for 2021 are budgeted at **\$40,142,959** and Expenditures are budgeted at **\$40,142,959**.

This resolution is required to provide authorization from City of Moncton Council for submission to the Province of New Brunswick and to establish the Water and Wastewater rates for the 2021 calendar year.

2021 UTILITY OPERATING FUND BUDGET- CITY OF MONCTON

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on the 6th day of November, 2020 the Council of the local government of CITY OF MONCTON RESOLVED that pursuant to subsection 117(4) of the *Local Governance Act*, the total budget for the water and wastewater utility for the ensuing year would consist of total revenues of **\$40,142,959** and total expenditures of **\$40,142,959**.

Moved by: Councillor Boudreau

Seconded by: Councillor Léger

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of 2021 General Operating Fund Budget.

Backgrounder:

On October 6, 2020, the City of Moncton received its 2021 Property Tax Assessment Base and related information from the Province of New Brunswick. The overall increase in assessment base from 2020 to 2021 amounts to 1.72%.

On November 4, 2020, based on the assessment base information, Council deliberated on the 2021 proposed General Operating Fund budget with total budgeted expenditures of \$161,760,658.

It is recommended that Council approve the submission to the Province of New Brunswick and to establish the Property Tax rates for the 2021 calendar year based on the recommendations brought forward on November 4, 2020 and related motion from Council.

2021 GENERAL OPERATING FUND BUDGET- CITY OF MONCTON

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on the 6th day of November, 2020, the Council of the local government of CITY OF MONCTON RESOLVED that the sum of \$161,760,658 be the total operating budget of the local government, that the sum of \$146,196,825 be the Warrant of the local government for the ensuing year, and that the tax rate(s) for the local government be: \$1.6497.

The Council orders and directs the levying by the Minister of Environment and Local Government of said amount on real property liable to taxation under the Assessment Act within the local government of: City of Moncton.

Moved by: Councillor Lawrence
Seconded by: Councillor Butler

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of 2021 Capital Works Budget

Backgrounder:

On November 4, 2020 Council deliberated on the 2021 Capital Works Budget for both the Utility and General Funds.

This Resolution is required to provide authorization from City of Moncton Council to submit an application to the Municipal Borrowing Board for authorization to borrow or guarantee the prepayment of money borrowed or deemed borrowed for the capital projects outlined in the 2021 Capital Works Program.

2021 Capital Works Budget.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Moncton has adopted a Capital Works Budget for 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Moncton submit to the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board, an application for authorization to borrow or guarantee the repayment of money borrowed or deemed borrowed for a capital expense for the following purposes, term and amount:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT	TERM
Government General Services	\$ 454,000	5 years
Transportation Services	\$ 6,757,000	10 years
Recreational and Cultural Services	\$ 2,462,000	10 years
Protective Services	\$ 615,000	5 years
Environmental Development Services	\$ <u>285,000</u>	5 years
General Capital	\$ 10,573,000	
Environmental Health Services (Utility)	\$ <u>12,867,000</u>	10 years
Utility Capital	\$ 12,867,000	
TOTAL	\$ <u>23,440,000</u>	

Moved by: Councillor Léger
Seconded by: Councillor Butler

MOTION CARRIED

In response to a question from Councillor Léger, Mr. Landry advised that administration is currently working with Peoples Park Tower and Codiac Transpo on improvements of routes.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Councillor Boudreau

MOTION CARRIED

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Dawn Arnold
MAYOR

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Barbara A. Quigley
CITY CLERK & DIRECTOR OF
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

/10:15 a.m.

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