



**MINUTES  
BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE (BRC) MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020  
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**

**Committee Members present:**

Councillor D. McLeod (Chair)  
Mayor Campion  
Councillor J. Chiocchio  
Councillor T. DiMarco  
Councillor B. Fokkens  
Councillor B. Green (signed in at 5:06 p.m.)  
Councillor M. Grimaldi  
Councillor J. Larouche (signed in at 5:53 p.m.)  
Councillor A. Moote  
Councillor C. Richard  
Councillor G. Speck  
Councillor L. Spinosa  
Councillor L. Van Vliet

**Staff present:**

Interim CAO/General Manager, Corporate Services/CFO/Treasurer – Steve Zorbas  
Manager of Budgets and Financial Reporting/Deputy Treasurer – Elizabeth Pankoff  
Interim Director of Engineering and Public Works – Sherri-Marie Millar  
Interim Director of Development and Building Services – Grant Munday  
City Clerk – Tara Stephens  
Interim Manager of Parks, Facilities and Canal Lands – Peter Boyce  
Manager of Public Works – Vince Beaudoin  
General Foreman Public Works – Ray Chamberlain  
Capital and Payables Manager – Anka Vuksan Scott  
Revenue Services Manager – Mike Lostracco  
Manager of Fleet, Equipment & Purchasing – Adam Beres  
Administrative Finance Coordinator – Nicci Hingley

## **1. OPEN BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Elizabeth Pankoff noted a small revision to green page 186 from the November 16 agenda package for Cost Centre 330. The name of Cost Centre 330 should read “Wastewater” rather than “Water Works”.

### **Approve Agenda**

Motion moved by Councillor Spinosa to approve the agenda.

CARRIED

### **Disclosure of Interest**

None.

## **2. PUBLIC INPUT – PROPOSED 2021 WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATING & 2021-2030 WATER/WASTEWATER CAPITAL BUDGETS**

No members of the public came forward to speak.

## **3. IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Motion moved by Councillor DiMarco that the Budget Review Committee go in-camera in Committee-of-the-Whole at 5:14 p.m., closed to the public to consider:

- *Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – Valburna ASW Inc.*

A recorded vote was requested.

Yeas – Mayor Champion, Councillors Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Fokkens, Moote, Green, Speck, and McLeod

Nays – Van Vliet

CARRIED

Motion moved by Mayor Champion that the Budget Review Committee arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting without report at 5:25 p.m.

## **4. OPENING REMARKS**

The BRC Chair and Interim CAO/CFO made opening remarks to the proceedings of this evening’s meeting.

## **5. REVIEW BY COMMITTEE OF WATER/WASTEWATER BUDGET**

### **5.1 2021 Water/Wastewater Operating Budgets and 2021 Rates – Option #1**

The Committee asked questions about the proposed 2021 Water/Wastewater Operating Budget and 2021 Rates Option #1.

Motion moved by Mayor Campion:

*THAT THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE approves and recommends to Council for final approval 2021 Solution Based Option #1 – Increased fixed cost of Water/Wastewater bills from 27% to 30%, and increase the City self-imposed debt limit from 7% to 9%.*

The Committee discussed the motion.

Motion moved by Councillor Fokkens to defer the 2021 Option #1 to staff until December 10, 2020.

Yeas – Councillors DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, Fokkens, and Speck

Nays – Mayor Campion, Councillors Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet, Larouche, Green, Chiochio and Chair McLeod

LOST

*THAT THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE approves and recommends to Council for final approval 2021 Solution Based Option #1 – Increased fixed cost of Water/Wastewater bills from 27% to 30%, and increase the City self-imposed debt limit from 7% to 9%.*

A recorded vote was requested.

Yeas – Mayor Campion, Councillors Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet, Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiochio, and Chair McLeod

Nays – Councillors DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, and Fokkens

CARRIED

Staff are directed to provide a report to Council before the end of January 2021 with proposals for creating a fourth Water/Wastewater Assistance Program, and updating the existing three programs.

The Chair called a recess at 7:45 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Motion moved by Councillor Van Vliet:

*THAT THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE approves and recommends to Council for final approval the 2021 Water/Wastewater Operating Budget and Rates.*

Yeas – Mayor Campion, Councillors Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet, Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiochio, and Chair McLeod

Nays – Councillors Richard, Grimaldi, Fokkens, and DiMarco

CARRIED

## 5.2 2021 Water/Wastewater Capital Budget

Motion moved by Councillor Green:

*THAT THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE approves and recommends to Council for final approval the 2021 Water/Wastewater Capital Budget.*

The Committee discussed the motion.

A recorded vote was requested.

Yeas – Mayor Campion, Councillors Grimaldi, Spinosa, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet, Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiochio, Richard, and McLeod

Nays – Councillor DiMarco

CARRIED

## 5.3 Proposed 2022-2030 Water/Wastewater Capital Budget Forecast

The Committee asked questions about the proposed 2021 Water/Wastewater Capital Budget.

Motion moved by Councillor Moote:

*THAT THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE approves and forwards to Council for final approval the 2022-2030 Water/Wastewater Capital Budget Forecast.*

The Committee discussed the motion.

A recorded vote was requested.

Yeas – Mayor Campion, Councillors Spinosa, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet, Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiochio, Richard, Grimaldi, and Chair McLeod

Nays – Councillor DiMarco

CARRIED

## 6. REVIEW OF ANY OUTSTANDING ITEMS

No outstanding items.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

None.

## 8. CLOSING REMARKS

The Chair and Interim CAO/CFO provided closing remarks.

**9. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

UNAPPROVED