

THE TOWN OF ST. GEORGE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL BUDGET 2020

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Acting Mayor Avery called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at Magaguadavic Place on Monday, January 20th, 2020 at 6:35 pm for the Public Meeting on the 2020 Budget Presentation. Present: Councillor Harris, Councillor Cooke, Councillor Allison, and Councillor Murray. Also in attendance: Jason Gaudet, CAO, Fire Chief Justin Johnston and seven (7) members of the public in the gallery.

2) AGENDA:

It was moved by <u>Councillor Allison</u>, seconded by <u>Councillor Murray</u> to approve the Agenda as presented.

3) PRESENTATION:

CAO Jason Gaudet gave a presentation on the budget, reviewing the 2020 Budget Report.

4) NEW BUSINESS:

- a. It was moved by <u>Councillor Harris</u>, seconded by <u>Councillor Allison</u> and unanimously carried the following Resolution of Council, as per subsection 99(2) of the Local Governance Act, that the sum of \$2,366,174 be the total Revenue and Expenses of the General Operating Budget of the Municipality; that the sum of \$1,949,410 be the Warrant of the Municipality for the 2020 year; and that the tax rate for the Municipality be \$1.4000. 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 Municipality of the Town of St. George.
- b. It was moved by <u>Councillor Murray</u>, seconded by <u>Councillor Allison</u>, and unanimously carried the following Resolution of Council, pursuant to subsection 117(4) of the Local Governance Act, the sum of \$7772,920 is the total Revenue and Expenses of Utility Budget of the Municipality for the Water & Sewerage operation for the 2020 year.
- c. It was moved by <u>Councillor Allison</u>, seconded by <u>Councillor Murray</u> and unanimously carried the following Resolution of Council as per the Town of St. George By-Law No. 27-C, Schedule A Water & Sewage Treatment Systems Fee and Charges, the new yearly rate for Water and Sewer be as follows: \$365 for water and \$160 for sewage for a total of \$525.00 per unit per year, and that the Industrial rate changes from 2.42 per 1,000 imperial gallons of water / 2.42 per 1,000 imperial gallons of sewage to 2.54 per 1,000 imperial gallons water / 2.54 per 1,000 imperial gallons of sewage.

- d. It was moved by <u>Councillor Harris</u>, seconded by <u>Councillor Murray</u>, and unanimously carried the following Resolution of Council as per the Town of St. George By-Law No. 31-B, that a business improvement levy be imposed on all non-residential property within the Business Improvement Area of the municipality that is liable to taxation under the Assessment Act. The levy shall be in the amount of \$2,245 at the rate of \$0.1000 for the year of 2020 and the Council hereby directs and orders the Minister of the Environment and Local Government to levy the said amount pursuant to provisions of the Business Improvement Area Act.
- e. It was moved by <u>Councillor Cooke</u>, and seconded by <u>Councillor Allison</u> and unanimously carried to move \$30,000 from the Utility Operation Reserve Fund to the Utility Operations Fund for the 2020 year.

5) ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by **Councillor Harris** to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm.

Faith Avery, Acting Mayor

Jason N./Gaudet, Clerk/CAO