



The Municipal Corporation of the  
Town of Fort Erie

**Council-in-Budget Committee Meeting No. 1 Minutes**

**Wednesday, November 18, 2020**

**Council Chambers via Video Teleconference**

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Redekop called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Present (In Council Chambers): His Worship Mayor Redekop

Present (Via Zoom Teleconference): Councillors Butler, Dubanow, Lubberts, McDermott, Noyes, and Zanko

Staff (Via Zoom Teleconference): K. Dolch, S. Hansen, J. Janzen, T. Kuchyt, E. Melanson, C. Schofield, and K. Walsh

This meeting was held in compliance with the electronic participation provisions of Council Rules of Procedure By-law No. 36-2016, as amended.

**3. Announcements/Addenda**

One Addendum being a revision to the start time for this Council-in-Budget Committee Meeting from 6:00 p.m. as originally scheduled, to commence immediately following the Special Council Meeting.

**4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

None.

## 5. 2021 Capital Budget

*Chaired by Councillor McDermott*

### (A) Presentations

- (a) Mr. Janzen delivered a power point presentation that addressed the 2021 Capital Budget inputs and drivers; budget program highlights; risks and opportunities, next steps, presentation questions and capital project worksheets review.

Mr. Janzen stated the proposed 2021 Capital Budget is \$16.7 million dollars which would fund sixty-four (64) projects.

Mr. Janzen advised that 77% of the Capital Budget would be drawn from reserves, with other sources of capital financing include federal gas tax funding (6%) and development charges (16%). He explained that the operating budget impact would be \$103,512 per year or 0.4% of the General Levy.

Members of Council reviewed worksheets that described each capital project and asked questions of staff.

### (B) Report

**CBC-01-2021** 2021 Capital Budget and 2022 to 2031 Forecast

Recommendation No. 1

Moved by: Mayor Redekop

**That:** Council approves the 2021 Preliminary Capital Budget of \$7,324,735 as per Appendix "1" to Report No. CBC-01-2021 and directs staff to submit the bylaw for Council approval on December 14, 2020, and further

**That:** Council defers approval of the balance of the 2021 Capital Budget of \$9,367,935 as per Appendix "2" to Report No. CBC-01-2021 to February 22, 2021 with consideration of the 2021 General Levy Budget By-law, and further

**That:** Council approves the exclusion of amortization from the 2021 Operating Budget as required by Ontario Regulation 284/09.

Recommendation No. 2  
Moved by: Mayor Redekop

**That:** The Budget amount of Budget Item SRFC21 Shirley Road Flooding be increased from \$50,000 to \$200,000. **(Carried)**

**Following approval of Recommendation No. 2,  
Recommendation No. 1 was voted on as follows:**

**That:** Council approves the 2021 Preliminary Capital Budget of \$7,474,735 as per Appendix "1" to Report No. CBC-01-2021 and directs staff to submit the bylaw for Council approval on December 14, 2020, and further

**That:** Council defers approval of the balance of the 2021 Capital Budget of \$9,367,935 as per Appendix "2" to Report No. CBC-01-2021 to February 22, 2021 with consideration of the 2021 General Levy Budget By-law, and further

**That:** Council approves the exclusion of amortization from the 2021 Operating Budget as required by Ontario Regulation 284/09. **(Carried)**

## 6. Date of Next Meeting

- (a) Wednesday, December 9, 2020 - Water and Wastewater Operating Budget and User Fees Analysis
- (b) Wednesday, February 3, 2021 - Library, General Levy Operating Budget & Assessment Analysis
- (c) Wednesday, February 10, 2021 (if required)

## 7. Adjournment

Recommendation No. 3  
Moved by: Mayor Redekop

**That:** Council-in-Committee hereby adjourns at 9:32 p.m. **(Carried)**

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Mayor

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Clerk