



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LASALLE
MINUTES OF 2019 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LASALLE CIVIC CENTRE, 5950 MALDEN ROAD**

January 10, 2019 @ 9:30 am

Members of Council Present: Mayor Marc Bondy, Deputy Mayor Crystal Meloche, Councillor Michael Akpata, Councillor Mark Carrick, Councillor Sue Desjarlais, Councillor Jeff Renaud, Councillor Anita Riccio-Spagnuolo.

Administration Present: J Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer, K. Miller, Acting Clerk, A. Robertson, Director of Council Services & Clerk, L. Jean, Deputy Clerk, D. Langlois, Director of Finance and Treasurer, L. Silani, Director of Development & Strategic Initiatives, P. Marra, Director of Public Works, A. Burgess, Supervisor of Planning & Development, J. Columbus, Director of Culture and Recreation, D. Hadre, Corporate Communications & Promotions Officer, D. Hansen, Supervisor of Accounting, M. Beggs, Manager of Roads & Parks, D. Sutton, Fire Chief, R. Hyra, Human Resource Manager, R. Mamak, Human Resources Generalist, E. Thiessen, Deputy Fire Chief, G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, J. Osborne, Manager of Engineering, N. DiGesù, Manager of IT, D. Dadalt, Legal Counsel, P. Funaro, Manager of Recreation & Culture, L. Petros, Manager of Water & Wastewater, M. Abbruzzese, Supervisor of Revenue, T. Brydon, Supervisor of Parks, M. Masonovich, Manager of Fleet and Facilities, J. Mazzanti, Superintendent of Roads & Drainage, and R. Mackie, Superintendent of Water & Wastewater.

A. OPENING BUSINESS

1. Call to Order and Moment of Silent Reflection
Mayor Bondy calls the meeting to order at 9:30 am.
2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof
None disclosed.

B. INTRODUCTION

J. Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer, welcomes everybody to the 2019 budget session and thanks Administration for helping with the preparation of the proposed 2019 budget. He states that focusing on existing service levels and fulfilling legislative changes are two key principles in budget preparation.

C. CORPORATE OVERVIEW AND BUDGET SUMMARY

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, appear before Council to provide a corporate overview and budget forecast summary of the 2019 proposed budget, noting that the budget being presented by administration is recommending a 0% municipal tax rate increase.

J. Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer provides an overview of the Town of LaSalle's Strategic Plan Report Card from 2015 – 2018. He encourages a continued 2% growth in the Town of LaSalle's Capital Account.

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, provide an overview on Fiscal Policies, Debt Management, Reserves & Reserve Funds, Capital Financing, Summary of Budget Changes, 2019 Proposed Levy, Budget Factors and Challenges, Assessment on Existing Residential, Commercial and Industrial Buildings, Building Activity, Utility Rates, Service Level Enhancements, Legislative Requirements vs. Recommended Best Practices, Inflationary Pressures, Capital Cost Pressures, Income Demographics, and Long term Planning Principles.

Concluding remarks incorporate an overall 2019 Budget Summary.

C. DELEGATIONS

Nancy Pancheshan, resident, appears before Council to discuss the garbage collection model currently used by the Town of LaSalle, suggesting a pay per use model, concerns with the Howard Bouffard Development, citing the potential loss of natural areas, and suggests to discontinue the process of waiving development fees for commercial property.

The meeting recesses at 10:30 am.

The meeting reconvenes at 10:40 am.

D. REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL ACTION

1. Chief Administrative Officer

J. Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer, appears before Council to provide highlights of the proposed 2019 operational budget of the Chief Administrative Officer's office and an overview of the 2019 corporate goals as outlined on pages 78 to 82 of the budget document.

2. Council Services

A. Robertson, Director of Council Services/Clerk and R. Hyra, Human Resources Officer appear before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Council Services Budget on pages 116 – 128 of the budget document.

3. Revenue

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, appear before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Corporate Revenue Budget on pages 83 – 86 of the budget document.

4. Mayor & Council

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, appear before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Mayor and Council budget on pages 87 - 92 of the budget document.

5. Finance & Administration

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, appear before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Finance & Administration budget, which includes the Division of Information Technology and Division of Financial Services as found on pages 93 - 115 of the budget document.

6. Development and Strategic Initiatives

L. Silani, Director of Development and Strategic Initiatives appears before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Development and Strategic Initiatives budget on pages 129 – 142 of the budget document.

The meeting recesses at 12:00 pm.

The meeting reconvenes at 12:30 pm.

7. Public Works

P. Marra, Director of Public Works appears before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Public Works budget on pages 143 - 235 of the budget document.

Reports adopted by Council include:

Vollmer Field Maintenance Increase - Increase in Level of Service

Resolution B1/2019

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That the report of the Director of Public Works dated December 20, 2018 (PW-58-18) regarding an increase in level of service for field maintenance at the Vollmer Sports Fields BE RECEIVED, that service increases include \$49,200 to address additional materials needed, \$27,500 for equipment to provide for the enhanced maintenance operations, \$75,000 for select soccer field drainage enhancements, \$2,000 for ongoing soil analysis, and \$8,000 for additional staff training, and that these enhancements BE APPROVED in the 2019 budget at a total increase of 102,500 in the 2019 capital budget and \$59,200 in the 2019 operating budget.

Carried

The meeting recesses at 2:25 pm.

The meeting reconvenes at 2:38 pm.

Public Works - 2019 Sidewalk Winter Maintenance Level of Enhancements

Resolution: B2/2019

Moved by: Councillor Akpata

Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the report of the Manager of Roads and Parks dated December 28, 2018 (PW-57-18) regarding 2019 sidewalk winter maintenance level of enhancements BE RECEIVED and that the recommendation to update the snow removal on sidewalks and parking lots plan and increase the level of service to reflect the new minimum standards as outlined in the report BE APPROVED.

Carried.

Deputy Mayor Meloche requests one fully accessible playground be incorporated into the Parks Master Plan.

The meeting recesses at 3:45 pm.

January 11, 2019. The meeting reconvenes at 9:30 am.

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8. Police & Dispatch

J. Leontowicz, Chief of Police and K. Beaudoin, Deputy Police Chief appear before Council to provide highlights of the proposed 2019 Police and Dispatch budget as outlined in Appendix 1 of the budget document and provides an overview of the 2018 Community Survey.

DELEGATION – CONTINUED

T. Burns, resident, appears before Council requesting flower boxes be provided on Malden Road near Turkey Creek Bridge, increased bus routes towards the Mosque located on 5100 Howard Avenue be made available to the public, suggests an additional staff member be hired for the LaSalle Fire Department and suggests an increase in reserves for future property purchases.

9. Culture & Recreation

J. Columbus, Director of Culture and Recreation appears before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Public Works budget on pages 236 – 264 of the budget document.

Councillor Carrick requests an Administrative report be prepared reviewing capital reinvestment fees.

10. Fire Services

D. Sutton, Fire Chief appears before Council to present the highlights of the proposed Fire Services budget on pages 265 – 289 of the budget document.

The meeting recesses at 10:35 am.

The meeting reconvenes at 10:45 am.

11. Non-Departmental

D. Langlois, Director of Finance & Treasurer, and G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, appear before Council to present the highlights of the proposed 2019 Non-Department budget on pages 290 – 294 of the budget document.

Resolution: B3/2019
Moved by: Councillor Renaud
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Meloche

That the 2019 Operating and Capital Budget establishing a municipal tax rate of a 0% increase as recommended by administration BE APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE and that a by-law adopting the 2019 budget BE PRESENTED to Council at the January 22, 2019 regular meeting of Council.

Carried.

E. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution: B4/2019
Moved By: Councillor Renaud
Seconded By: Councillor Akpata

That Confirmatory By-Law # 8265 BE GIVEN first reading.
Carried.

Resolution: B5/2019
Moved By: Councillor Carrick
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Meloche

That Confirmatory By-Law # 8265 BE GIVEN second reading.
Carried.

Resolution: B6/2019
Moved By: Councillor Desjarlais
Seconded By: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That Confirmatory By-Law # 8265 BE GIVEN third reading and finally passed,
Carried.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair 11:11 am.

Mayor: Marc Bondy

Deputy Clerk: Linda Jean