

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

MARCH 30, 2006

There was a meeting of the Finance Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday March 30, 2006. Present were: Chair Bob Hall, Reeve Bob Johnston, Councillor Don Eady, Councillor Dave Bennett and Councillor Robert Kingsbury.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. MacKILLICAN'S - HORTON TOWNSHIP FINANCIAL AUDITORS

Chair Hall introduced Steve Dregas and Rory Richards to Council.

Mr. Dregas reviewed the Township of Horton's Financial Report for 2005.

The Committee questioned Mr. Dregas and Mr. Richards on the financial analysis of the Township. They commented that the Township was in good standing in all aspects. Chair Hall thanked them for attending and they left the Council Chamber.

3. REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL DONATIONS

St John Ambulance - The Committee declined to donate at this time.

Renfrew & Area Senior Home Support - The Committee agreed to donate \$1,000.00

Renfrew County Senior Games - The Committee discussed this request and requested Linda Novossiltzeff to contact the organization and inquire as to the number of Horton participants. They agreed to a donation of \$100.00.

4. REQUEST FOR TAX REDUCTION - Michael Yamine

The Committee discussed a letter requesting a tax reduction from Mr. Yamine and a supporting recommendation from CAO Mackie McLaren. The request was denied on a vote of four with Deputy Reeve Hall in favour of reducing the year of 2004.

5. MERIT INCREASE, GRID INCREASE, ADOPTING COUNTY VACATION - HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY

The Committee discussed the policies listed above. Staff will complete their portion of the performance appraisals and give them to Council for review after the April 18, 2006 Planning Meeting. The Committee declined at this time to adopt the County of Renfrew's Human Resources Policy on Vacation.

6. 2006 PROPOSED BUDGET

The Committee reviewed the proposed 2006 Budget and the operating requirements of the Municipality. The Treasurer is to wait for final tax rates from the County and Education Board before determining different scenarios of tax rates for Horton Township.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk informed the Committee of a letter received from Township Solicitor Janet Bradley regarding an invoice received from the law office of John Cooke. After discussion the Committee requested that Linda Novossiltzeff send a letter to John Cooke's office requesting more information.

8. NEXT MEETING

The Committee will meet again when final tax rates are presented.

9. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Bob Kingsbury  
Seconded by Dave Bennett

That the Committee pass this confirming resolution to validate any actions or directions given during the open portion of this Committee Meeting which are minor in nature and which will not be set out in by-law or resolution.

Carried.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Dave Bennett  
Seconded by Bob Johnston

That the Finance Committee adjourns at 7:05 p.m.

Carried.

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Chair

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Treasurer/Deputy Clerk