

**TOWN OF LUMSDEN**  
**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING HELD ON**  
**APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

The Council of the Town of Lumsden convened their special budget meeting in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, on the evening of Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Bryan Matheson presiding.

<b>Present:</b> Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
Councillors:	Sid Sikorski, Rhonda Phillips, Dan Kirby, Al Sulma, Jayne Leibel
Administrator:	Wayne Zerff
Asst. Administrator:	Darcie Cooper
<b>Absent:</b> Councillor:	Doug Mader

**AE Drilling Authorization – Reitmeier Land:**

147-11 Phillips/Leibel: "That we authorize the expenditure of approximately \$1,800.00 for Associated Engineering to drill a third test hole for the possible location of the Wastewater Treatment Facility, using a track unit on land owned by Metal Dynamics Ltd. (John Reitmeier) land legally described as LSD 3,6, Pt. SW 33-19-21-W2 known as 100 Second Avenue East." **CARRIED**

Administrator, Wayne Zerff reviewed the proposed budget using a 2.0 mill rate increase with council which would represent a balanced budget with the changes made at the last meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Wayne reviewed the 5 year capital plan and showed council how in the future years the capital expenditures drop significantly. Wayne indicated the importance of comprehensive capital planning for financial planning as it affects setting Water and Sewer rates for the future as well as the use of reserves and the capital trust fund.

Council discussed future Water and Sewer rates and the need to have adequate reserves for 2014 when the new Wastewater Treatment Facility is scheduled. In order to meet the recommended reserve amount of \$800,000 by the end of 2014 the sewer rates will need to be increased more than the projected 9% per year.

**Increase Water & Sewer Rates – 2012-2014:**

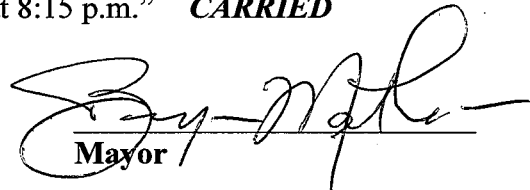
148-11 Leibel/Phillips: "That we authorize the Administrator to prepare a Water and Sewer Rates Bylaw for the years 2012, 2013 & 2014 with the following increases for Sewer rates and a straight 9% increase for Water:  
2012 - 20%, 2013 - 10%, 2014 - 10%." **LOST**

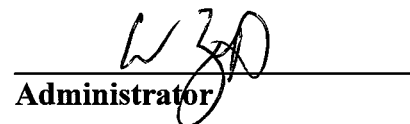
Council requested that the Administration bring back the following 2 scenarios for sewer rates for consideration at the next meeting:

Sewer Rates	2012 – 20%, 2013 – 10%, 2014 – 10% and
	2012 – 20%, 2013 – 12%, 2014 – 12% and

**Adjournment:**

149-11 Kirby/Sulma: "That we adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m." **CARRIED**

  
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Mayor

  
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Administrator