

TOWN OF LUMSDEN
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING HELD ON
MARCH 29th, 2011

The Council of the Town of Lumsden convened a special budget meeting in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, on the evening of Tuesday, March 29th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Bryan Matheson presiding.

Present:	Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
	Councillors:	Sid Sikorski, Rhonda Phillips, Al Sulma, Dan Kirby, Doug Mader, Jayne Leibel (at 6:52pm)
	Administrator:	Wayne Zerff
	Asst. Administrator:	Darcie Cooper
	Office Services Clerk:	Krystal Brewer

Council reviewed the operating and tangible capital asset budgets as revised by Group I and Group II Committees.

General Discussion:

- Municipality's debt limit and the current and future Long Term Debt
- Capital Projects such as the Wastewater Treatment project, James Street South Upgrade and Recycle Relocation.
- Council agreed to defer the proposed budget amount of \$300,000 of the recycling depot relocation to 2012, and budgeting \$10,000 in 2011 for engineering for the project. This project is contingent upon receiving the Go Green Funding provincial grant that the letter of intent was submitted for. It was determined that by the time we hear whether or not funding is approved, it is likely that the facility would not be constructed until 2012 anyway.
- Water and Sewer rates – rates to be set for the 2012 – 2014 years.
- Splitting the James Street South paving project into 2 phases over the years 2011 and 2012. In 2011, the first phase would be budgeted for and this would be for the Road, curb and walk at an estimated cost of \$250,000. In 2012 the paving and the drainage solutions would be budgeted for at an estimated cost of \$250,000.
- Mill rate increase was discussed and council recommended that Wayne prepare the budget using a one mill rate increase for 2011
- Council discussed using municipal tax dollars going towards funding the Wastewater Treatment Facility
- One additional public works staff was discussed and members of council indicated that they would like to see a proposal from the Public Works Foreman as to the need and how the extra employee would be a benefit to the municipality

Local Improvement Project – James Street South – Cost Share:

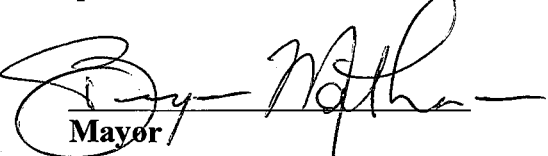
144-11 Kirby/Mader: "That we agree that the cost share split for the James Street South Local Improvement project be set at 20% for the residents with benefitting frontage and the remaining 80% be funded by the municipality." **CARRIED**

Next Meeting:

145-11 Phillips/Sikorski: "That we agree to hold another Special Budget Meeting on Tuesday, April 5th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m." **CARRIED**

Adjournment:

146-11 Kirby/Sulma: "That we adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m." **CARRIED**



 Mayor



 Administrator