



GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, November 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

The Committee met at 3:00 p.m. in the Sutton Room, 55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Members Present: Chair John Creelman
Warden Darren White
Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Councillor Andy Macintosh
Councillor Wade Mills

Staff Present: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Alan Selby, Treasurer
Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic Service
Cheri French, Director of Human Resources
Greg MacNaughtan, Chief Building Official
Peter Routledge, IT Manager
Steve Murphy, Emergency Management Coordinator
Michelle Dunne, Deputy Clerk
Aimee Raves, Deputy Treasurer
Rebecca Whelan, Information Management Coordinator

Chair Creelman called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

REPORTS

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #1
Interoperable Communications Cost Estimates – Report #3

A report from the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated November 28, 2019, to provide a supplemental report to the report of October 24, 2019 titled Interoperable Radio Communications – County Wide.

Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor Macintosh

THAT the report of the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated November 28, 2019, to provide a supplemental report to the report of October 24, 2019 titled Interoperable Radio Communications – County Wide, be received;

AND THAT the area municipalities be consulted on how this project could be funded and who would be responsible for the procurement, ongoing maintenance of infrastructure and upgrades to equipment when required;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin commit in principle to fund up to 50% of the upfront infrastructure cost for Option 1 of the consultant's report.

-Carried-

2. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #2
Building Permit Fee Review - 2019

A report from the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated November 28, 2019, to report the finding of a building permit fees review.

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the report of the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated November 28, 2019, regarding Building Permit Fee Review – 2019, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to consult with the Building Community, public and interested stakeholders during December/January;

AND THAT a public meeting be held in accordance with the Building Code Act at the January meeting of Council.

-Carried-

3. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #3
Health Unit Loan

A report from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, to recommend changes to the longer-term strategy around the existing County bank loan related to the Health Unit (HU) buildings.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the Report, Health Unit Loan, from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, be received;

AND THAT a new County Reserve Fund be established and named the Bank Loan Retirement Reserve Fund;

AND THAT the \$1,055,600 received from the Health Unit in 2019 be put into the Bank Loan Retirement Reserve Fund;

AND THAT \$500,000 be moved from the Rate Stabilization Reserve into the Bank Loan Retirement Reserve Fund;

AND THAT staff be directed to apply the Bank Loan Retirement Reserve Fund to retire the County bank loan in October 2024.

-Carried-

4. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #4
Farm Tax Ratio for 2020

A report from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, to consider the choices of Tax Ratio for Farm properties for tax year 2020.

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the Report, Farm Tax Ratio for 2020, from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, be received;

AND THAT the Farm Tax Ratio for 2020 be changed to 0.22.

-Carried-

5. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #5
Financial Report

A report from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, to provide Committee with a monthly financial summary.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the Financial Report for the month of October 2019 from the Treasurer, dated November 28, 2019, be received.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

6. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #6
Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA)

Correspondence from the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), dated October 31, 2019, regarding delegation requests for the 2020 Annual ROMA Conference.

The Committee did not request any delegations at this time.

BUDGET

7. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – November 28, 2019 – ITEM #7
Draft 2020 Budget

Review and discussion of the draft 2020 Operating and Capital Budget for the Office of the CAO, Paramedic Services, Council, Corporate Services and Corporate Finance.

The following departments presented an overview of their primary responsibilities, changes within their departments, 2019 accomplishments, 2020 goals and highlights within their budgets:

- Paramedic Services
- Council
- Corporate Services
 - Clerk's Office

- Emergency Management
- Information Technology
- Building Services
- Office of the CAO
 - Human Resources
- Corporate Finance

Councillor Mills left the meeting at 3:33 p.m. and returned at 3:37 p.m.

Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT \$35,000 to implement the computer aided dispatch link program (CADLink) offered by the Ministry of Health be added to the draft 2020 Budget for Paramedic Services.

-Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: To Be Determined
55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room (2nd Floor)

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor John Creelman, Chair
General Government Services Committee