

The meeting of the Council Workshop was held on Monday, November 14, 2016 in Council Chambers, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: Mayor Van Bynen
Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Taylor
Councillor Vegh
Councillor Kerwin
Councillor Twinney
Councillor Kwapis
Councillor Broome
Councillor Bisanz

Absent: Councillor Hempen

Staff Present: P. Noehammer, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
E. Armchuk, Commissioner of Corporate Services
I. McDougall, Commissioner of Community Services
W. Bennett, Director of Corporate Communications
L. Georgeff, Director of Human Resources
C. Kalimootoo, Director of Public Works Services
M. Mayes, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer
R. Nethery, Director of Planning and Building Services
K. Reynar, Director of Legal Services
C. Wackett, Corporate Project Consultant
C. Finnerty, Council/Committee Coordinator
H. Leznoff, Elections Assistant
L. Moor, Council/Committee Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

Mayor Van Bynen in the Chair.

Notice

Mayor Van Bynen advised that in accordance with the Town's Procedure By-law, no decisions will be made but rather this meeting is an opportunity for Council to have an informal discussion regarding various matters.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Items

1. PowerPoint Presentation by the Director of Financial Services/Treasurer regarding the 2017 Operating Budget.

The Acting Chief Administrative Officer advised of the purpose of the workshop, being a focus on the 2017 operating budget and introduced the Director of Financial Services/Treasurer who provided the first of a series of slides in a PowerPoint presentation detailing various components of the proposed 2017 operating budget.

The Director of Public Works Services summarized aspects of the proposed budget as they relate to increased costs of hydroelectricity, Emerald Ash Borer treatments and waste management expenses.

The Corporate Project Consultant provided an overview of service processes and realized efficiencies over a number of years.

The Director of Human Resources provided an outline of some challenges associated with the Human Resources aspects of the proposed budget.

The Director of Financial Services concluded the PowerPoint presentation highlighting aspects of increasing revenues, service pricing policy updates and implementation of stormwater management rates.

Queries were made to staff regarding budget drivers, municipal comparators, assessment growth and sustainability.

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis
Seconded by: Councillor Broome

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Tony Van Bynen, Mayor

Andrew Brouwer, Town Clerk