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Special Public Meeting

Monday November 25, 2024, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers and Teleconference

Council Members Present

Mayor Trevor Croft
Councillor Ralph Carey
Councillor Margaret Swain
Councillor Gerard Dunne
Councillor Justina Nawaz

Staff Present

Jennifer Aspell, CAO
Via Teleconference
Deputy Mayor Jacob Hayden

Call to Order

Mayor Trevor Croft called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Deputy Mayor Trevor Croft called for the adoption of the agenda for November 25, 2024.

MOTION: 2024-310 Councillor Gerard Dunne / Councillor Ralph Carey

MOVE TO adopt the agenda for November 25, 2024.

The Motion was carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Trevor Croft, Deputy Mayor Jacob Hayden, Councillors Gerard Dunne, Ralph Carey, Margaret Swain and Justina Nawaz)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

2. Adoption of the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget

RESOLUTION: 2024-311 Councillor Ralph Carey / Councillor Justina Nawaz

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Witless Bay adopt the proposed Budget as presented for the year 2025 effective January 1, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Witless Bay, as per Section 77 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999* accepts and adopts the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget with total Revenues of \$3,338,646.13 and total Expenditures of \$3,338,646.13.

Taxes will be imposed as per Section 101 and the due date for the same will be June 30, 2025.

An 8% payment discount shall be granted to residential property tax accounts paid in full by March 31, 2025 in accordance with Section 108.

Simple interest will be applied as per Section 107.1 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999* at a rate of 1.5% per month or 18% per annum.

Residential Property Tax shall be imposed at 5.0 mils.

Commercial Property Tax shall be imposed at 10.0 mils.



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Minimum Property Tax shall be \$450.00.

Minimum Vacant Land Tax shall be \$250.00.

Business Tax shall be imposed as per Sections 120,121,122,123, and 124.

Minimum Business Tax shall be \$500.00 as per Section 125.

Utility Tax shall be applied at 2.5% of gross revenue and in accordance with the applicable legislation.

The Resolution was carried unanimously.

For Resolution: 6 (Mayor Trevor Croft, Deputy Mayor Jacob Hayden, Councillors Gerard Dunne, Ralph Carey, Margaret Swain and Justina Nawaz)

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

3. Adoption of the 2025 Tax and Fee Structure

RESOLUTION: 2024-312 Councillor Justina Nawaz / Councillor Margaret Swain

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Witless Bay accept and adopt the Tax and Fee Structure as presented for the year 2025, to take effect January 1, 2025.

The Resolution was carried unanimously.

For Resolution: 6 (Mayor Trevor Croft, Deputy Mayor Jacob Hayden, Councillors Gerard Dunne, Ralph Carey, Margaret Swain and Justina Nawaz)

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

4. Adjournment

7:37 p.m. Mayor Trevor Croft called for adjournment as there was no further business of Council.

MOTION: 2024-313 Councillor Gerard Dunne/ Councillor Margaret Swain


MOVE TO adjourn.

The Motion was carried unanimously.

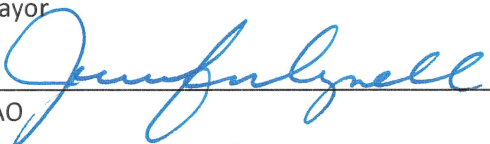
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Against: 0

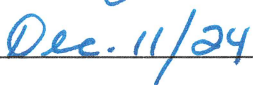
Abstained: 0



Mayor



CAO



Date