



Budget Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 1, 2011
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Town Hall

Mayor M. Morrison
D. Beffort
N. deBoer
P. Foley
G. McClure
R. Mezzapelli
R. Paterak
A. Thompson
R. Whitehead

Chief Administrative Officer: D. Barnes
Fire Chief: B. Bigrigg
Director of Public Works & Engineering: C. Campbell
Director of Planning & Development: M. Hall
Executive Assistant to Mayor: B. Johnston
Manager of Communications: L. Johnston
Legislative Administrator: B. Karrandjas
Director/Chief Financial Officer/Deputy CAO: R. Kaufman
Town Counsel/Director: N. Koltun
Director of Administration/Town Clerk: K. Landry
Manager Economic & Development/Communications: N. Lingard
Director of Human Resources: R. Moore-Whitsitt
Director of Recreation: K. Scott
Treasurer: F. Wong

Other Staff Present Specific Items Only

Captain: D. Bailey
Manager of Finance: K. Kocialek
Senior Financial Analyst: R. Ouellette
Manager of Caledon Center for Recreation & Wellness: W. Rowland

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Morrison called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by N. deBoer - Seconded by R. Whitehead

2011-083

That the agenda for the February 1, 2011 Budget Council Meeting be approved.

Carried.

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** – None stated.

4. **COUNCIL WORKSHOP** – None scheduled.

5. **CLOSED MEETING** – None scheduled.

6. **PRAYER AND O CANADA**

Councillor McClure opened the meeting with a prayer.

7. **SUMMARY OF ADDENDUM ITEMS**

RB1 – Report Provided.

Added Correspondence

1. Liz Shaughnessy dated February 1, 2011 re: Council Meeting Tuesday, February 1, 2011: 2011 Budget With Debenture for 2015 Pan American Parapan American Games (2015 Pan Am Games).
2. Ian Sinclair dated February 1, 2011 re: 2011 Budget.

3. Barb Shaughnessy dated February 1, 2011 re: Pan Am Games.

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/INQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 8.1 Announcements - None.
 8.2 Urgent Business - None.
 8.3 Notices of Motion – printed with the agenda - None.
 8.4 Notices of Motion – presented at meeting - None.
 8.5 Council Inquiries – None.

9. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. CS-2011-006 re: Ontario Regulation 284/09 - 2011 Budget.

Moved by R. Paterak – Seconded by R. Whitehead 2011-084

That Report CS-2011-006 regarding Ontario Regulation 284/09 - 2011 Budget, be received.

Carried.

2. CS-2011-005 re: 2011 Budget Recommendations.

Moved by D. Beffort – Seconded by G. McClure 2011-085

That Council support a reduction in the proposed 2011 Budget by a factor of 1% (or \$600,000) of the total operating additional capital and unmet needs achieving a tax increase of 3.9% to Town of Caledon residents.

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Councillor Beffort	X			
Councillor deBoer		X		
Councillor Foley		X		
Councillor McClure	X			
Mayor Morrison		X		
Councillor Paterak		X		
Councillor Mezzapelli		X		
Councillor Thompson		X		
Councillor Whitehead		X		
TOTAL	2	7		

Lost.

Moved by A. Thompson – Seconded by R. Whitehead 2011-086

1. That Report CS-2011-005 regarding the Town of Caledon's 2011 Budget be received;
2. That the 2011 Town Operating Budget net increase of \$3,593,751, representing a 10.4% average residential tax increase to the Town levy only (or estimated 4.6% overall assuming Region of Peel increase of 2.2% and Education increase of 0%) be approved;
3. That the 2011 Budget, as presented to Council on January 4, 18 and February 1, 2011 be approved at a net Town tax levy amount of an estimated \$38,270,832 inclusive of:
 - a. a base operating budget increase of \$1,972,630 (unavoidable budget increases),
 - b. staff recommended budget reductions of \$925,952 (Service Delivery Efficiencies \$233,630, New Fees/Revenues \$638,230, Fee Rate Increases \$54,092),
 - c. additional Tax Levy Funded Capital \$1,671,362, and
 - d. recommended Urgent Unmet Needs of \$875,711
4. That if after the finalization of the Region and Education 2011 increases, the impact of assessment growth, and the impact of 2008 4-year reassessment phase-in, there is a less than 4.6% average residential tax increase overall (including Town, Region, Education), staff will prepare a final tax levy by-law that

results in an overall average residential tax increase of a maximum of 4.6% with additional funds directed to a Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund;

5. That the capital program, in the gross capital budget amount of \$15,421,068, as listed in Schedule A to report CS-2011-005 be approved;
6. That the urgent unmet needs, in the net expense amount of \$875,711, as listed in Schedule B to report CS-2011-005 be approved;
7. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the organizations in the amounts listed in the chart below, funded from the grants account, 115.56.535.001.2319, in the Corporate Accounts department:

	2011 Recommendation
AGRICULTURAL AND COMMUNITY GRANTS	
<i>Agricultural</i>	
Albion & Bolton Agricultural Society	\$1,000
Caledon Agricultural Society	\$1,000
Peel 4-H Association	\$500
Peel-Dufferin Plowman's Association	\$800
Peel Federation of Agriculture	\$5,000
Peel Soil and Crop	\$1,000
Region of Peel Agricultural Society	\$1,000
	<hr/> \$10,300
<i>Sustaining</i>	
Caledon Canada Day Committee	\$11,000
Caledon Community Services*	\$13,000
Operation Red Nose Caledon	\$7,000
Headwaters Arts	\$5,000
	<hr/> \$36,000
<i>Special Activity Grants</i>	
Volunteer (MBC)	\$4,000
Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services	\$4,000
	<hr/> \$8,000
Total Agricultural and Community Grants	<hr/> \$54,300 <hr/>

* - Recommendation for 2011 is \$5,000 Caledon Community Services and \$8,000 Club Caledon, which is treated as a non-cash transaction. The Club Caledon contribution is an incremental \$3,000 compared to 2010 and is offset by \$3,000 of revenues in Recreation. Net tax impact is \$0.

8. That the Public Works Unmet Need project #35 – LaFarge Gravel Extraction be funded from the Tax Levy Funded Capital Reserve Fund, in the amount of \$325,000;
9. That funding of the Public Works Unmet Need project #35 – LaFarge Gravel Extraction, in the amount of \$325,000, be fully repaid from gravel savings from future operating budgets;
10. That a by-law for the new fees and fee increases included in the 2011 Budget be brought forward to Council on February 22, 2011 for approval;
11. That the Treasurer be authorized to make technical adjustments to the budget based on business needs and good accounting practices;
12. That the Treasurer be authorized to establish new reserve funds as a result of the 2011 budget;
13. That Council enact a by-law to approve the Town's 2011 Budget.

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Councillor Beffort		X		
Councillor deBoer	X			
Councillor Foley	X			
Councillor McClure		X		
Mayor Morrison	X			

Councillor Paterak	X			
Councillor Mezzapelli	X			
Councillor Thompson	X			
Councillor Whitehead	X			
TOTAL	7	2		

Carried.

Moved by A. Thompson – Seconded by R. Whitehead

2011-087

Whereas the Town of Caledon's property tax rebate for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities offers a \$400 property tax rebate for eligible Caledon residents; and

Whereas the \$400 property tax rebate in 2010 was shared between the Town, Region and Province (Education); and

Whereas Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga currently have the same level of property tax rebate, \$400, for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council approves increasing the Town of Caledon's property tax rebate from \$400 to \$450; and

That Council enact a by-law to increase the tax rebate for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities to \$450; and

And that the Regional Municipality of Peel be requested to enact a by-law to increase the property tax rebate from \$400 to \$450 and to share in the annual \$450 tax rebate or tax reduction provided by the Town of Caledon.

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Councillor Beffort	X			
Councillor deBoer	X			
Councillor Foley	X			
Councillor McClure	X			
Mayor Morrison	X			
Councillor Paterak	X			
Councillor Mezzapelli	X			
Councillor Thompson	X			
Councillor Whitehead	X			
TOTAL	9			

Carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE PACKAGE

1. Moved by N. deBoer – Seconded by G. McClure

2011-088

That the correspondence from Liz Shaughnessy regarding Council Meeting Tuesday, February 1, 2011: 2011 Budget With Debenture for 2015 Pan Parapan American Games (2015 Pan Am Games) dated February 1, 2011, be received; and

That the correspondence from Ian Sinclair regarding the 2011 Budget dated February 1, 2011, be received; and

That the correspondence from Barb Shaughnessy regarding Pan Am Games dated February 1, 2011, be received.

Carried.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

1. David Jobe, Belfountain resident, expressed concerns regarding a 4.6% increase. Mr. Jobe inquired how the municipality would actually realize savings through a webmaster and through an on-line registration program.

Mayor Morrison advised that having a staff resource to provide this service will reduce outsourcing costs.

2. Heather Wilkinson, Co-Chair Caledon Village Association, expressed concern with the number of staff being added and inquired why a coordinator would be paid the same as a manager.

Doug Barnes advised that one of the requests responds to providing staff resources for the 2nd arena at the Caledon Community Complex. Another request is required to assist the Public Works Department with responding to the number of development approvals.

Doug Barnes explained that the similarity in costs between a coordinator and a manager are attributed to the manager's position being contract with no benefits and the coordinators' costs include benefits because they are permanent positions.

Ms. Wilkinson referred to an increase in the number of Caledon employees making over \$100,000 and inquired about a salary review.

Doug Barnes indicated that the Town of Caledon has its salaries benchmarked against other municipalities such as Milton and Newmarket and that Caledon compensation plan pays at the 50th percentile.

3. Sherry Brioschi, Bolton resident inquired as to where the 2.2% comes from?

Mayor Morrison explained that 2.2% is the proposed budget increases for the Region and indicated that the regional increase is low because of the \$100 million associated with the uploading of services to the province.

Ms. Brioschi inquired as to why the education levy is noted at 0%. Ms. Brioschi advised that the Peel District School Board is underfunded and suggested that there would be an increase of \$800 per student.

Mayor Morrison advised that the Province will provide the amount for the education levy by April.

Ms. Brioschi commended Councillor Beffort for suggesting a lower tax increase as individuals have lost their jobs and pensions as a result of businesses closing.

Ms. Brioschi inquired as to who sat on Council during the years where there was no tax increases.

Individual members of Council referred to the fact that there were several years of no tax increases in the 1990's and this has resulted in Caledon having the fourth lowest rate in the GTA and has also lead to minimal funds being contributed to the Town's reserves.

Ms. Brioschi inquired as to why the Town has not contributed to the reserves using the tax increases over the last ten years. Ms. Brioschi expressed concern regarding the salary increases and inquired if Council and staff are taking a pay freeze.

Mayor Morrison advised that an increase of 1.9% for 2011 is included in the budget for non-unionized staff and noted the increase for unionized staff is stipulated by the collective agreement.

Ms. Brioschi inquired about the number of occupancy permits issued in 2010 and how many we anticipate issuing in 2011?

Mary Hall, Director of Planning advised that she will provide Ms. Brioschi with the number of building permits issued in 2010. The number of building permits projected to be issued in 2011 is 500.

4. Mr. Tom Dolson, resident referenced a chart from last years budget process and noted the Town is not showing a figure for the OPP and inquired if this would be an additional 1%.

Mayor Morrison explained that the 2.2% shown for the Region includes funding for the OPP and the conservation authorities.

5. Liz Shaughnessy, resident inquired why there were two public forum meetings held for the Olympic bid but there has not been the same done for the Pan Am bid. Ms. Shaughnessy indicated another resident and herself have tried to obtain access to a proposal document but their request has been denied.

Ms. Shaughnessy stated that the Town should be proud of what it is doing and the residents of Caledon specifically the Palgrave community should be invited to an open forum to discuss their concerns related to the Pan Parapan American Games.

Mayor Morrison advised that staff has reported to Council in open session regarding the 2015 Pan Parapan American Games.

Karen Landry, Director of Administration/Town Clerk stated that request for the proposed plan has not been released at this time.

Doug Barnes, CAO advised that prior to the establishment of Host Co. the 2015 Pan Parapan American Games selected the Caledon Equestrian Park as the venue. Bid Co. together with the Province conducted a site analysis to determine the estimated capital costs. Host Co. is currently conducting its review of the venues. Once this process is completed, information on the operational plans will be available.

Councillor Whitehead indicated that it would not be appropriate to go to the public with partial information.

Councillor Paterak noted that the Olympic bid was completed with no opposition from the public. With regard to the Pan Parapan American Games, Council has dealt with the matter in public since late 2008 and have just recently been made aware of the opposition.

Councillor deBoer advised that negotiations regarding the EMG lease commenced approximately 4 years ago, however the prospect of hosting the Pan Parapan American Games was not contemplated at that time but now needs to be considered as part of the negotiations.

6. Martin Headland, resident expressed concerns with the impact of the Pan Parapan American Games on the 2011 Budget. Mr. Headland inquired whether the Region, EMG and TRCA are committed to funding the Pan Parapan American Games.

Mr. Headland indicated an Economic Impact Study should be completed and inquired if the Town can pull out of the Pan Parapan American Games should Host Co. come back with requirements that are not projected in the Budget.

Doug Barnes advised that the financing of the Pan Parapan American Games will be completed through a debenture and the costs will be managed in an accountable way.

Councillor Paterak noted that Council will need to consider a return on its investment and potential community facility uses.

Individual members of Council stated that as soon as additional information comes forward it will be presented to the community.

7. Sherry Brioschi, resident requested clarification on the bid process and inquired without doing a comprehensive analysis prior to submitting a bid whether we could back out.

Mayor Morrison advised that in 2008, Caledon Equestrian Park was chosen as the venue for the Pan Parapan American Games in the event Toronto was selected as host.

Mayor Morrison indicated that at that time the costs associated with the capital facilities requirements and the respective location on TRCA lands were considered by the Bid Committee.

12. BY-LAWS

Moved by R. Paterak – Seconded by A. Thompson

2011-089

That the following by-laws be taken as read three times and finally passed in open council:

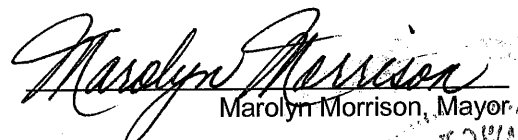
2011-014 To adopt the 2011 Budget for the Corporation of the Town of Caledon as required by Section 290(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

2011-015 To confirm the proceedings of the February 1, 2011 Budget Council Meeting.

Carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT

On verbal motion moved by Councillor Foley and seconded by Councillor Paterak, Council adjourned at 9:28 p.m.


Marilyn Morrison, Mayor


Karen Landry, Town Clerk

