

# The Corporation of the Township of Lucan Biddulph

# **Finance Committee**

# **MINUTES**

November 22, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Lucan Biddulph Township Office 270 Main Street P.O. Box 190 Lucan, ON

Present: Cathy Burghardt-Jesson

Daniel Regan

Also Present: Kathryn Langendyk

Ron Reymer
Jeff Little
Darcey Cook
Tracy Loyens
Lisa DeBoer

#### 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Chair C. Burghardt-Jesson called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

# 2. <u>DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & NATURE THEREOF</u>

None

# 3. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</u>

#### 4. BUDGET REPORTS

#### 4.1 FIN-13-2024 Operating Draft Budget 2025

K. Langendyk advised of a few changes that came up since the last meeting.

- Received the WSIB rate, which is lower than first estimated. Reduction of \$7200.
- Received an updated draft budget from UTRCA. Add \$2,271

- IT add \$1,500 for a network switch
- Public Works Staff add \$3,000

K. Langendyk summarized the changes discussed at the November 14<sup>th</sup> finance committee meeting.

#### Resolution No. 06-2024

Moved by Daniel Regan

Seconded by Cathy Burghardt-Jesson

THAT report no. FIN-13-2024 be received for information;

AND THAT the following recommended budget changes be brought forward to Council:

- Fund the asset management plan (AMP) update expense of \$68,000 from the tax rate stabilization reserve.
- Reduce the Fire Levy to Lucan Biddulph Fire Board by \$12,958 (to equal a 20% increase over 2024).
- Reduce Sidewalks & Curb cuts expense by \$5,000.
- Reduce the donation to Lucan Heritage by \$5,000 (to be \$25,000).
- Reduce Consulting & Engineering (Planning) expense by \$45,000 (re: design guidelines).
- Reduce the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) expense by \$25,000.
- Reduce the Administration Reserve contribution by \$25,000.
- Reduce the Streetscape Reserve contribution by \$33,000.
- Reduce the Community Centre Grounds expense by \$5,000 (re: sunshades for dog park and field markers).
- *Increase the garbage bin fees by 5-6% (option 1 in the report).*
- An estimated 4.42% municipal tax rate increase.

**CARRIED** 

The Water and Wastewater operating budgets will be included at the budget presentation to full Council on December 17, 2024.

# 5. ADJOURNMENT

#### Resolution No. 07-2024

Moved by Daniel Regan

Seconded by Cathy Burghardt-Jesson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

**CARRIED**