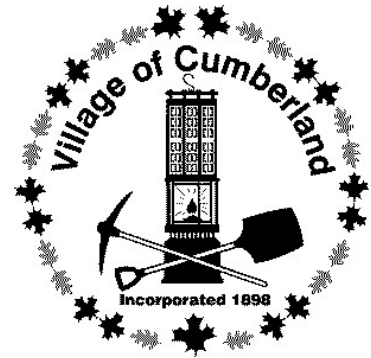


VILLAGE HALL MINUTES

4/2021/VH



The Corporation of the Village of Cumberland

Village Hall Meeting and Open House

November 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Village Council Chambers

Council Present:

Mayor Leslie Baird
Councillor Vickey Brown
Councillor Jesse Ketler
Councillor Gwyn Sproule
Councillor Sean Sullivan

Staff Present:

Clayton Postings, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Mason, Chief Financial Officer/Deputy CAO
Rachel Parker, Corporate Officer
Courtney Simpson, Manager of Development Services
Kevin McPhedran, Manager of Parks and Recreation
Rob Crisfield, Manager of Operations
Kaelin Chambers, Economic Development Officer

Mayor Baird called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

1.1 Agenda for Village Hall Meeting, November 15, 2021

Ketler/Sproule

THAT Council approve the agenda for the November 15, 2021 Village Hall Meeting.

Carried Unanimously

2. Proposed 2022 - 2026 Financial Plan

Sullivan/Ketler

THAT Council receive the presentation from Michelle Mason, Chief Financial Officer, on the proposed 2022 - 2026 Financial Plan.

Carried Unanimously

Ms. Mason presented the proposed 2022-2026 Financial Plan based on the 2020-2023 Strategic Priorities of health community, quality infrastructure planning and development, comprehensive community planning, and economic development.

Ms. Mason noted that despite continued COVID-19 impacts and recovery, provincial funding and the Village's reserve and surplus policy provides stability. The proposed municipal increase to property taxes, including utilities and parcel taxes, for the average single family household in 2022 is 5.39%, which would result in an increase of \$218 in 2022. Property taxes will also be affected by rates from other taxing authorities and

changes in property assessments between assessment classes, which is not yet known. Ms. Mason then reviewed proposed tax and utility fee impacts for 2023 to 2026.

3. Question and Comment Period

Questions were received on the following topics:

- Homeowner grant program, vacation rentals and enforcement
- Energy efficiency rebates and incentive programs
- Mental health and outreach services
- Events and cultural services funds
- Benches and walkability score in pedestrian routes into the Village commercial core
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation in the budget and in development procedures
- Street lighting and use of solar panels

4. Adjournment of the Village Hall meeting to the Open House portion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Mayor

Corporate Officer