



The Corporation of the County of Bruce

Corporate Services Committee Finance and Property Division

Minutes

December 18, 2014

1:05 p.m.

Council Chambers

Walkerton, Ontario

Present: Warden Mitch Twolan (Chair)
Councillors Anne Eadie, Paul Eagleson, David Inglis, Janice Jackson,
Milt McIver and Mike Smith

Staff: Kelley Coulter, Chief Administrative Officer
Darlene Batte, Administrative Assistant
Bettyanne Cobean, Clerk-Treasurer
Eleanor MacEwen, Administrator, Brucelea Haven
Susan Petrik, Deputy-Treasurer

Regrets: Councillor Robert Buckle

1. Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. Action Items

A. 2015 Consolidated Budget

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
 Seconded by Councillor Mike Smith

That the Corporate Services Committee – Finance and Property Division recommends that the 2015 budget be adopted reflecting a 3.80% increase to the levy in the total amount of \$40,422,053 distributed according to the following table; and,

That a by-law be adopted establishing the levy and corresponding tax ratios and tax rates.

		2015 RECOMMENDED (NET)	2014 ESTIMATES (NET)	% Change
EXPENDITURE (NET)				
1	General Government	1,967,615	1,942,223	1.3%
2	Insurance savings	-100,000	0	0.0%
3	Net Long Term Debt	1,872,584	1,872,286	0.0%
4	Employee Wellness	5,000	6,685	-25.2%
5	Tax Write Offs	250,000	225,000	11.1%
6	Assessment Services	1,584,170	1,562,408	1.4%
7	Human Resources	946,788	949,612	-0.3%
8	Information Technology	1,218,218	1,161,777	4.9%
9	Compensation – Bounties	20,000	27,000	-25.9%
10	Emergency Measures	40,715	49,111	-17.1%
11	911 Program	35,000	35,000	0.0%
12	Bruce County Highways	12,153,285	11,068,275	9.8%
13	Waste Management	150,000	150,000	0.0%
14	Public Health Services	1,190,221	1,188,222	0.2%
15	Grey Bruce Regional Health Services	200,000	200,000	0.0%
16	Ambulance Services	4,702,469	4,493,578	4.6%
18	Gateway Haven	1,598,116	1,580,742	1.1%
19	Brucelea Haven	1,134,573	1,283,363	11.6%
20	Long Term Care Reserve	0	0	100.0%
21	Social Services	2,278,036	2,424,611	-6.0%
22	Social Housing	3,781,285	3,374,768	12.0%
23	Museum	1,428,449	1,383,802	3.2%
24	Libraries	3,065,390	3,020,924	1.5%
25	Parks	104,331	241,537	-56.8%

		2015 RECOMMENDED (NET)	2014 ESTIMATES (NET)	% Change
26	Agriculture, Tourism, Economic Development	2,875,748	2,693,270	6.8%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		42,501,993	42,168,966	
REVENUES				
27	Payments in Lieu – Levy	479,940	452,940	6.0%
28	Supplementaries - Levy	725,000	650,000	11.5%
29	WSIB Transfer from Reserves for Operating	475,000	350,000	35.7%
30	Provincial Offences	400,000	550,000	-27.3%
TOTAL REVENUES		2,079,940	2,002,940	
39	TOTAL LEVY	40,422,053	38,931,255	3.8%

Carried

B. Library Surplus

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That the County's contribution to the Bruce County Public Library Board annually be reduced in the amount of the annual surplus and any deficit be incorporated into the subsequent year's County contribution for consideration.

Carried

C. Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund

Moved by Councillor David Inglis
Seconded by Councillor Paul Eagleson

That a by-law be introduced authorizing the execution of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund – Formula Based Component Contribution Agreement which will provide the County of Bruce with an annual grant allocation in the amount of \$156,088 for 2015, 2016 and 2017.

Carried

3. Information Items

A. Property Assessment 2015 – Notional Tax Rate

The Property Assessment 2015 – Notional Tax Rate Report was received for information.

4. Closed Meeting

**A. Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Mike Smith**

That the Committee move into a closed meeting to discuss a personnel issue pursuant to:

- **section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act relating to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and,**
- **section 239 (2) (f) of the Municipal Act relating to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.**

Carried

5. Rise and Report

**Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie**

That the Committee rise and report from the Closed meeting.

Carried

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Corporate Services Committee – Finance and Property Division will take place on Thursday, January 8, 2015 in the Council Chambers, County Administration Centre, Walkerton, Ontario.

7. Adjournment

**Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Mike Smith**

That the meeting of the Corporate Services Committee – Finance and Property Division adjourn at 2:26 p.m.

Carried

**Warden Mitch Twolan, Chair
Corporate Services Committee – Finance and Property Division**