
The Special scheduled meeting of Trenton Town Council was held in Council Chamber on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, beginning at 5:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Donald Hussher
Deputy Mayor VJ Earle
Councillor Steven Cotter
Councillor Heather Head
Councillor Nicole LeBlanc
Alanna MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer
Marilou Sutherland, Deputy Clerk

Also in Attendance: Brenda MacKay
Finance Director

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hussher.

Land Acknowledgement – Mayor Hussher

At the Town of Trenton, we acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. This land is governed by the treaties of Peace and Friendship, first signed by the Mi'kmaq. We reside by Pictou Landing First Nation, which is governed by a Chief and Five Council.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Cotter
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Earle
To accept the agenda as presented.
Motion carried.

2023-24 Budget Presentation

Finance Director Brenda MacKay gave an overview of the 2023-24 Budget.

Resolution 2023-06-27 Budget 2023-24

Moved by Councillor LeBlanc
Seconded by Councillor Head
BE IT RESOLVED that the General Operating Budget of the Town of Trenton for the period of April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be approved, accepted and adopted in the amount of \$5,249,279.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the tax rate for the Town of Trenton for the period April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be set at \$2.04 per \$100 of assessment for Residential and Resource properties at the assessed valuation of \$102,597,000, \$4.10 per \$100 of assessment for Commercial property at the assessed valuation of \$4,829,300, the Solid Waste annual user fee rate \$146.00 per dwelling unit and fire protection rate \$0.145 per \$100 of assessment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rate of taxes for the current period may be collected Warrant and Distress, without further notice if not paid on or before the 31st day of March 2024 together with all costs and expenses of levy and sale of good on all proceeding's incidental thereto, and further if the said taxes are not paid before May 31, 2023 for the interim tax bill and October 31, 2023 for the final billing, an additional penalty charge will be payable at a rate of 15% per annum on the balance of all outstanding tax account.

Motion carried.

2023-24 Budget

Moved by Councillor Cotter

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Earle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Trenton that the General Operating Budget for April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be \$5,249,279.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Cotter

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Earle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Trenton that the Water Utility Operating Budget for April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be \$974,110.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Cotter

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Earle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Trenton that the General Capital Budget for April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be \$2,080,200.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Cotter

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Earle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Trenton that the Water Utility Capital Budget for April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 be \$3,394,000.

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor LeBlanc

To adjourn meeting.

Donald Hussher
Mayor

Alanna MacDonald
Chief Administrative Officer