TOWN OF HAMPTON SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL DECEMBER 18, 2008

A Special Meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers at 27 Centennial Road on December 18, 2008 commencing at 6:00 pm.

Attendance:

Council:

Mayor Ken Chorley

Deputy Mayor Dwight Bond Councillor Clara Lights Councillor Rob Doucet Councillor Peter Behr

Staff:

Richard Malone, Town CAO/Assistant Clerk

Sherman St. Germain, Treasurer

Media:

Erin Dwyer, Telegraph-Journal

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Chorley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. MOMENT OF REFLECTION:

Councillor Lights led Council in a moment of reflection.

3. DISCLOSURE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Deputy Mayor Bond declared a conflict of interest regarding all issues pertaining to development in the Town of Hampton.

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

4.1 Approval of the 2009 General Operating and Capital Budget and Tax Rate: Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights to approve the Tax Rate of 2009 of \$ 1.25 per \$100.00 of assessed value, pending approval of the Provincial Government. The Gross Expenditures will be \$ 5,061,223 less non-tax revenue of \$ 1,588,561 for a net budget of \$ 3,472,662 less the unconditional transfer of \$ 295,888 with the warrant to be raised by local rate of \$ 3,176,774.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Chorley thanked the Finance Committee and Council for their work on the 2009 budget and stated that he was pleased that Council was able to keep the tax rate at \$1.25, as it has been for the last four years.

4.2 Approval of 2009 Utilities Budget:

Deputy Mayor Bond stated that the rates remain the same as in 2008. Mayor Chorley stated that the Town of Hampton has one of the lowest rates in the Province – the sewer rate is \$140.00/year and the water rate is \$150.00/year.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton approve, as recommended by the Utilities Commission, the 2009 Utility Budget as follows:

| SALE OF WATER SALE OF SEWERAGE SERVICE | \$ 1,630.00 \$263,506.00 |
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| SURPLUS FROM 2 ND PREVIOUS YEAR | \$ 14,443.00 |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$279,579.00 |
| WATER SYSTEM EXPENSES | \$ 41,100.00 |
| SEWERAGE SYSTEM EXPENSES | \$233,479.00 |
| MRIF - CAPITAL RESERVE FUND | \$ 5,000.00 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | <u>\$279,579.00</u> |
| | Motion Carried. |

4.3 Approval of the revision in the Gas Tax Five Year Capital Investment Plan:
The Mayor asked the CAO to clarify what the Town was applying for in 2009.
The CAO stated that the Town was applying for Sanitary Sewer Upgrades, Storm Sewer Upgrades, Paving and an Integrated Community Sustainability Plan.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton adopt the document entitled Municipality of Hampton Revised Five Year Capital Investment Plan (2005-2009) as recommended by the Town's Engineer.

Motion Carried.

4.4 Approval of the 2009 Staff Wage Scale:

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr the approval of the Salary/Wage Scale for the Town of Hampton for 2009 as shown in the "TOWN OF HAMPTON – 2009 WAGE PROPOSAL" document, dated December 16, 2008, and effective the first pay of January 2009, as per recommendation of the Human Resource Committee.

Motion Carried.

Deputy Mayor declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

4.5 Approval of the Residential Developers Assistance Policy:

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights the approval of the 2009 Town of Hampton Residential Development Assistance Policy as presented.

Motion Carried.

Deputy Mayor Bond returned to the special meeting of Council.

5. OUTSTANDING ISSUES:

There were no outstanding issues discussed.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the special meeting of Council was adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried.

APPROVAL:

Megan A. O'Brien Harrison, Clerk

-Richard Malone, Assistant Clerk

Ken Chorley, Mayor