

Council

Wednesday March 19th, 2025

Meeting by Zoom

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

Present: Noah Plonka, Lisa Morgan, Kirsten Johnsen, Anne Mack, Kevin Mack

Absent: Donna Monteith

Guest:

Chair: Kirsten Johnsen

Recorder: Tina Gammel

Quorum was present throughout the meeting

Convened 4:00 p.m.

Agenda adopted by consensus

Minutes from February 27, 2025 approved by consensus

STARTS CM00699

1) PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

2) REQUEST FOR DECISION AND LEGISLATION

a) Request for Decision

i) 2nd Reading of Annual Budget Act 2025-2026

ii) Receive recommendation for the Finance Committee

(1) Kevin gives details on Finance Committee meeting

(a) Meetings on March 4th and March 13th

(b) Directors presented their department budgets

(i) Administration & Governance Department

(ii) Community Services Department

(iii) Lands & Resources Departments

(iv) Assets & Public Works Departments

(v) Capital Projects

(c) Committee reviewed some items to update and change

(i) Page 19: Distributions amount was updated

(ii) Page 25: SSI Marine Stewardship was funded by FFA. The dollar amount was moved to Marine Stewardship instead.

(iii) Page 29: Capital Projects:

1. The committee reviewed projects funded by the previous year's surplus and decided what takes priority. The new government building is a priority and got 8.7 million Dollars from the previous year's revenue surplus.

2. Departments with red-colored cells are not a priority now and will not get any surplus money as a precaution to potential overspending.

(d) Kirsten notes that some areas of Page 17, "Operating Fund Budget" can potentially get funding instead of using our surplus revenue. Kevin adds that this is not the way to operate and that there needs to be new money coming

in to cover certain costs. Capital Projects for example are covered by our surplus by 47%.

- (e) Finance Committee recommends to the Council to approve budget as presented, with minor amendments possibly made between now and the 3rd reading.

iii) Send Annual Budget Act to the People's Assembly

From the March 13th 2025, Standing Committee on Finance Meeting:

MOVED: Kevin Mack

SECONDED: Gale Johnsen

THAT I move to report the Annual Budget Act 2025-2026 complete as amended.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

CM00699 MOVED: Lisa Morgan

SECONDED: Anne Mack

THAT Council receives the recommendation from the finance committee and resolve to send the Annual Budget Act 2025-2026 to the March 29th, 2025 People's Assembly for citizen's review.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

- Kevin mentions he will be attending an UNDRIP meeting in New York City with other Maa-Nulth Treaty Directors on April 18th 2025.

- 3) INFORMATION FOR RECEIPT
- 4) CORRESPONDANCE FOR RECEIPT
- 5) QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS
- 6) LATE ADDITIONS

Additions/Deletions

Adjourned @ 4:25pm

Minutes prepared by T Gammel

Law Clerk *Kirsten Johnsen*

Date 2025-04-17