

**Township of Stirling-Rawdon
Finance and Personnel Committee Minutes
Tuesday, October 27 2020 – 10:14 a.m.**

Members Present: Chair Grant Hagerman and Committee Members Bob Mullin, John Rock, Jeremy Solmes and Sari Watson

Staff Present: Roxanne Hearn, CAO/Treasurer
Kathy Pearl, Clerk
Derrick Little, Fire Chief
Matthew Richmond, Environmental Manager
George Burkitt, Public Works Manager

1. Call to Order

Chair Hagerman called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution #1

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That the agenda for the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held on October 27, 2020 be adopted as amended.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None noted.

4. Delegations

4.1 Rhonda Bateman – CAO of Lower Trent Conservation to attend to discuss the 2021 Business Plan, Budget and Levy

Ms. Bateman provided the Committee with background of the Lower Trent Conservation, a synopsis of programs offered and activities of the Lower Trent Conservation, including the budget process and answered the Committee's questions.

Resolution #2

Moved by: Sari Watson

Seconded by: John Rock

That the presentation from Rhonda Bateman – CAO of Lower Trent Conservation be received.

Carried.

5. Manager's Report

5.1 Clerk's Report – Vote by Mail vs Internet/Telephone Voting Method

Resolution #3

Moved by: Bob Mullin

Seconded by: John Rock

That the Clerk's Report be received.

Carried.

Resolution #4

Moved by: Bob Mullin

Seconded by: John Rock

That Committee recommends to Council that they agree to move to internet/telephone voting method.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin		x		
Member Rock		x		
Member Solmes		x		
Member Watson	x			x
Chair Hagerman		x		
Total		4		1

Carried.

5.2 Clerk's Report – Ward System vs Election at Large

Resolution #5

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That the Clerk's Report be received.

Carried.

Resolution #6

Moved by: Jeremy Solmes

Seconded by: Sari Watson

That Committee does not recommend that Council dissolve the ward system.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin			x	
Member Rock	x		x	
Member Solmes		x		
Member Watson		x		
Chair Hagerman			x	
Total		2	3	

Defeated.

Resolution #7

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That Committee recommends to Council that public comment be sought regarding potential dissolution of the ward system; and further

That after public comment be received that Committee does recommend that Council dissolve the ward system, with an appropriate by-law being presented for Council's consideration at a future Council meeting.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin		x		
Member Rock		x		
Member Solmes			x	
Member Watson	x		x	
Chair Hagerman		x		
Total		3	2	

Carried.

Resolution #8

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That a Public meeting to gather public input into the dissolution of the ward system be held no later than April 15, 2021.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin		x		
Member Rock		x		
Member Solmes		x		
Member Watson	x		x	
Chair Hagerman		x		
Total		4	1	

Carried.

5.3 Clerk's Report – Direct Election vs Appointment of Deputy Mayor Position

Resolution #9

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That the Clerk's Report be received.

Carried.

Resolution #10

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Sari Watson

That Committee recommends to Council that they do not agree with the direct election of the Deputy Mayor position.

Carried.

Meeting recessed from 11:27 a.m. to 11:38 a.m.

6. Budget

6.1 Landfill Management Contract

Resolution #11

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Jeremy Solmes

That staff be directed to hire four part-time attendants to staff the landfills on Saturdays.

Carried.

Resolution #12

Moved by: Bob Mullin

Seconded by: John Rock

That staff be authorized to tender for compaction and cover of the landfills as per the Certificate of Approval.

Carried.

6.2 Preliminary 2021 Budget Review: JFSB, Environmental and Transportation *(copies have been placed in Council mailboxes)*

Resolution #13

Moved by: Bob Mullin

Seconded by: Sari Watson

That the \$8000 in stormwater regarding the Annis Street culvert be transferred to reserve as the matter has been deferred to 2021; and further that the \$8000 be brought back from reserve in 2021 budget.

Carried.

Resolution #14

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That the \$10,000 amount for intersection drainage at the Edward Street and Mill Street intersection drainage be removed from the stormwater budget for 2021.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin		x		
Member Rock		x		
Member Solmes		x		
Member Watson	x		x	
Chair Hagerman		x		
Total		4	1	

Carried.

Meeting recessed from 1:04 p.m. to 1:31 p.m.

Resolution #15

Moved by: Jeremy Solmes

Seconded by: John Rock

That staff be authorized to tender the George Street Pumping Station and Mill Street stormwater project as per JL Richards and Jewell Engineering.

Recorded vote:

Member	Requested	Yes	No	Abstained
Member Mullin		x		
Member Rock		x		
Member Solmes		x		
Member Watson	x		x	
Chair Hagerman		x		
Total		4	1	

Carried.

Resolution #16

Moved by: Bob Mullin

Seconded by: Jeremy Solmes

That the Preliminary 2021 Budget documents be received.

Carried.

7. Correspondence / New Business

7.1 Discussion on Modernization Funding

Resolution #17

Moved by: John Rock

Seconded by: Bob Mullin

That Committee authorizes staff to proceed with the suggestions provided in the report, totalling \$254,700; and further

That staff research playground structures, camera system, speaker system and wifi hotspot to utilize the remaining \$124,500.

Carried.

7.2 Quinte Conservation Preliminary 2021 Budget

Resolution #18

Moved by: Jeremy Solmes

Seconded by: Sari Watson

That the Preliminary 2021 Budget from Quinte Conservation be received.
Carried.

8. Public Questions

A resident asked for clarification in regards to the tender and the division of the costs.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.