

# THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF KILLARNEY

## Public Meeting of Council

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

6:00 P.M.

**PRESENT: MAYOR:** Virginia Rook

**COUNCILLORS:** Debbie Burant Eileen Lewis Jim Rook  
Pierre Paquette Nancy Wirtz

**ABSENT:** Nil

**DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**STAFF:** Clerk-Treasurer – Candy Beauvais

**MEMBERS OF PUBLIC:** Nil

**DELEGATIONS:** Nil

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The Mayor called the Public Meeting to order at 6:13 PM.

The Public Meeting was held to discuss the proposed by-laws which would adopt the rates of taxation for the 2016 fiscal year as well as the 2016 water and sewer operating and maintenance rates.

### **PROPOSED 2016 OPERATING BUDGET & BY-LAW**

The proposed operating budget/by-law was discussed.

The Clerk noted that as the proposed budget currently stands it represents:

- A 2.5% increase to the notional tax rate (this is the rate which generates the same amount of General Municipal taxation as the prior year);
- Ratepayers will realize an increase in their general municipal levy;
- Further, properties may experience an additional increase due to an increase in the MPAC assessment phase-in. Most ratepayers will experience a tax increase in 2016 which will be a result of a greater than average increase in their property assessment value, an increase in the general municipal levy or a combination of both.

The Clerk also indicated that a new regulation was passed, Ontario Regulation 102/16 of the Municipal Act, 2001 which allows municipalities to opt out of the capping program. Therefore, the Municipality will opt out of capping for multi-residential and industrial tax classes immediately, but one commercial property currently remains capped and will be phased out over a 4 year period.

### **PROPOSED 2016 WATER/SEWER UTILITY BUDGET & BY-LAW:**

#### **Water Budget:**

The Clerk indicated that the water maintenance rate from 2015 will remain the same at \$1,120 per unit

#### **Sewer Budget:**

The Clerk indicated that the proposal is to increase the sewer maintenance rate from \$235.00 to \$280.00 per unit in order to cover a sewer deficit of \$19,424. To lessen the impact, the deficit is proposed to be recovered over two years 2016 and 2017.

The Clerk also noted that our water and sewer reserves are low should a major emergency and/or unexpected expense occur.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

There were no public presentations, nor was there any member of the public in attendance.

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

Council discussion ensued and it was recommended to:

- proceed with the 2016 Operating Budget and By-law as proposed;
- proceed with the 2016 Water and Sewer Budgets and By-law as proposed.

**16-165 BY NANCY WIRTZ – PIERRE PAQUETTE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Public Meeting held May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 to discuss the proposed tax, water and sewer by-laws setting the 2016 rates be adjourned at 6:23 P.M.

**CARRIED**

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*Virginia Rook, Mayor*

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*Candy K. Beauvais, Clerk Treasurer*