March 2011

Mayor's Message ··

In spite of escalating costs, Council has managed to hold the line on tax increases for 2011. For example, we have had to budget for the increase in garbage fees that is slated to start in October. In another year, we may not be so lucky.

Budget Highlights...

- All taxes will remain the same.
- Property Tax Income is estimated at \$642,900.00
- Water and Sewer tax \$368,790.00
- Business/Commercial tax \$147,200.00
- Employee wages /benefits \$506,442.00
- Total Budget is \$1,989,445.00

Major Expenses

We have already reported that our Dump Truck/Plow is in need of replacement. The purchase of a new truck is at the tendering stage and we hope it will be delivered around mid year.



Council has great respect for our Volunteer Firefighters – Glovertown Fire Rescue Service. In 2010, we committed to developing a fire training ground to provide the practical training they need to carry out their work. To that end, we will start construction of this project in 2011. The cost is approximately \$125,000.00.

Town Hall renovations have been discussed for some time. In light of the other expenses, there appears to be a consensus among Councillors, that aside from some minor repairs, the major

renovation will have to wait for a more opportune time.

A special thank you to the Glovertown Recreation Commission on a successful Winter Carnival.

Community EVENTS

March 12-13

Female U12 Hockey
Tournament

March 19-20

Initiation Jamboree

March 26-27 Atom Hockey Tournament

April 2 - 3 Bantam Hockey Tournament

April 9-10 Peewee Hockey Tournament

April 16 Figure Skating Ice Show

April 28,29,30 Bantam G Provincial Hockey Tournament

Public Skating

Saturday's 5-6pm Sunday's 7-8pm

For more information please call the arena 533-3090

June 17th Relay for Life 2011

March 30 Business Association Public Meeting at the Fire Hall at 7:30pm.

Government Funding

Funding for things like water and sewer and paving is cost shared with the Provincial Government. The ratio currently is 90/10. The Provincial Government pays 90% of the cost and the Town pays 10%. Unfortunately not all projects get funded. We have applied for funding under this program to pave most of the unpaved roads in Town at a cost of \$1,031,346.00. As well, we have applied for funds for the Memorial Street Sewer Overflow, cost of \$380,000.00. This will alleviate the flooding problems in that area. Other projects are as follows: Water Treatment Plant phase I at a cost of \$250,000.00 (Assessment of Technologies); and a soccer field at a cost of \$588,000.00. Extra funds are being sought to ensure successful projects.

Waste Management

is collected.

Under the new Central Waste Management system the cost of garbage collection will increase to approximately \$100.00 per home per year. The cost to the Town will go up by approximately \$65,000.00. This extra cost will cover the separation and transshipment from our current dump site to the new site in Norris Arm and is based on weight. The extra cost to be paid by each household will be approximately \$75.00 - \$80.00. It appears this money will be paid through the Town, in the same way the current cost

In an effort to keep cost to a minimum, the Town is promoting composting. To this end compost bins have been ordered and will go on sale in April at a cost of approx. \$25.00.

Compost Recycling

Council has also decided that under this new system, where we will be partnering with other towns, it will not be practical to pick up commercial/business garbage. This change is slated to come into effect in October.

Playground Committee

Council has put a committee in place consisting of 2 Councillors, 2 Recreation Commission members and members from the general public to fundraise for a new playground at the recreation grounds.

Central/South Boat Launches

At this time, Council is not entertaining closing the two boat launches.

Marina Berths.....

Berths are now available to be booked: Clar Howse 533-2194 or Gerald Perry 533-6022

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