

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Banff in the Province of Alberta
Town Hall Council Chamber
Monday, December 4, 2006 at 9:00 am**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

John Stutz	Mayor
Bob Haney	Councillor
Chip Olver	Councillor
Ossi Treutler	Councillor
Chris MacDonald	Councillor
Karen Sorensen	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
Justin Burwash	Councillor and Acting Mayor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Robert Earl	Town Manager
Tom Maier	Manager of Corporate Services
Kelly Gibson	Senior Accountant
Jack MacIntosh	Fire Chief
Mike Dobbin	Manager of Operations
Randall McKay	Manager of Planning & Development
Mary Brewster	Manager of Community Services
Bruce Bedwell	Manager of Engineering
Michelle Gurney	Manager of Communications
Cheryl Hyde	Municipal Clerk (Recording Secretary)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1. Meeting Agenda

COU06-320 Moved by Councillor Haney to approve the agenda of the December 4, 2006 special meeting of Council as presented.

CARRIED

3.0 2007 CAPITAL BUDGET

Debate continued on the 2007 capital budget.

COU06-321 Moved by Councillor Treutler to postpone GG-1-03 Senior Centre Enhancement until 2009.

Discussion

It is Councillor Treutler's intent to move \$500,000 of capital project funding to future budgets so that this amount could be allocated in 2007 toward funding the design and building of parking facilities.

The vote followed on the motion.

DEFEATED
Treutler in favour.

COU06-322 Moved by Councillor Treutler to postpone GG-24-04 Banff Child Care Centre until 2009.

DEFEATED
Treutler in favour.

COU06-323 Moved by Councillor Burwash to move T1-00 Parking Structures from 2008 and 2009, at total of \$555,000, to 2007 so that the planning phase for parking structures can occur in 2007 and construction can then begin accordingly.

Discussion

- Administration confirmed that, if all capital projects go ahead in 2007, it would be necessary to obtain a short-term loan of \$125,000 to cover the addition of the \$555,000 proposed in the motion. A short-term loan is fundamentally different from a long-term loan and is generally used to manage cash flow during a budget year.
- The planning phase is meant to examine the feasibility of both intercept parking and the construction of a downtown parkade.

The vote followed on the motion.

CARRIED

COU06-324 Moved by Councillor Burwash move RC-3-B Pedestrian Bridge, at a total of \$1,100,000 from future initiatives to 2007.

Discussion

- Councillor Treutler encouraged administration to approach ID#9 regarding a partnership for funding construction of a pedestrian bridge.
- Administration advised that \$110,000 of funding in 2007 would be sufficient to prepare initial assessments for the pedestrian bridge.

COU06-325 Moved by Olver to amend motion COU06-324 by changing the proposed 2007 funding allocation from \$1,100,000 to \$110,000, with the remaining amount budgeted in RC-3-B moved to 2008.

DEFEATED
Olver and Treutler in favour.

The vote followed on motion COU06-324.

CARRIED
Olver, Stutz, and Treutler opposed.

Councillor Burwash recommended that administration investigate the possibility of establishing a recreational reserve fund.

4.0 INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

Council unanimously agreed to cancel the special meeting scheduled for December 12, 2006. The operating and capital budgets, as amended, will be presented for Council approval at the regular meeting scheduled for December 11, 2006.

COU06-326 Moved by Councillor Treutler to adjourn at 11:17 a.m.

CARRIED

John Stutz
Mayor

Cheryl Hyde
Municipal Clerk