

From: Sue Moore
Sent: September 12, 2011 10:30 AM
To: Dawn McAlpine
Subject: Request for deputation this evening and FOI request/clarification

Good morning Ms. McAlpine,

I hope this email finds you well and enjoying the start of a new week.

I would like to make a deputation at council this evening. I am opposed to Section H, 11-G-252 that was recommended for adoption this evening in the General Committee Report dated August 29, 2011. My immediate opposition centres around the fact that general committee chose to defer making important decisions with respect to a long range financial plan and financial policy update, yet decided to approve an expenditure of millions of taxpayer dollars in the absence of such a plan for a new structure for the Barrie Police Services. I believe the process council used to reach this decision was not only irresponsible, but based more on perceptions, intentionally or unintentionally floated or established, instead of realistic facts and prudent, responsible financial planning.

I understand the deadline for making a deputation has passed, and I am aware from past correspondence that a request has never previously been denied even when a motion of council is required. If there are any further action steps I need to take prior to this evening's meeting, please advise.

Secondly, I would like a list of all expenditures and in-kind services approved by the current council, with a detail of how those expenditures/in-kind services correspond to the current budget and/or policies of council. Was the money spent or provided in-kind budgeted for and planned in advance? An example would be denying one charity use of a city facility for a hockey tournament, yet allowing another charity use of a city facility for a hockey tournament. Or planning so many million for a facility, yet approving several million more.

I will be making this request monthly on a go forward basis, so the best way to frame my request so the required information is available in the most cost-effective manner possible, I am happy to comply with, and appreciate any suggestions made to expedite the flow of information.

Thank you,

Sue Moore