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Town of Arnprior

Mayoral Decision MDE-2025-01

Being a Mayoral Decision to outline the process for the 2026 Budget and as part of this process create a budget working group for the Town of Arnprior 2026 budget;

Under the Authority of Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the Municipal Act, 2001, subsection 284.16 (2) (Proposed Budget) the head of council shall, prepare a proposed budget for the municipality and provide the proposed budget to the council for the council's consideration; and

Under the Authority of Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the Municipal Act, 2001, subsection 284.13 (1) (Delegation) specifies where the head of council may delegate their powers and duties, excluding the preparation of the municipal budget; and

Under the Authority of Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Section 284.3(b) the Mayor as head of council may in writing, exercise the powers of the municipality to direct municipal employees to carry out duties related to the exercise of the power or performance of the duty, including implementing any decisions made by the head of council under this Part, inclusive of Section 284.16(2) regarding the preparation of a proposed budget for council's consideration.

As the Mayor of the Town of Arnprior I am committed to continuing Council's commitment to the financial sustainability of our municipality through a timely approval of an annual budget.

Under the Authority: Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, Section 284.16(2) and 284.13 (1) (Powers Re: Budget and Powers Re: Delegation), the Mayor has decided as follows:

- A Budget working group (BWG), be established, consisting of two (2) other Members of Council (County Councillor Lynch and Councillor Couper), to liaise with throughout the Budget process; and
- That members of the BWG will participate in meetings with the Treasurer and department leads, in order to assist in the creation of the 2026 Town of Arnprior budget; and
- To direct the Treasurer to prepare a proposed Draft 2026 Budget according to approved meetings, consultation, and written directions, and that generally conforms with the budget process in previous years; and
- That myself as Mayor, together with the Treasurer and the BWG, present the decided 2026 budget with a binder to Council, that will include a new tab outlining departmental budget requests which were not recommend to be funded in the 2026 Budget.

This Mayoral Decision provides the written notice as required under the applicable legislation.

This Mayoral Decision comes into effect on October 6, 2025.

Signed and Sealed by:

Lisa McGee, Mayor

Dated: October 6, 2025