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Re: June 3rd Council Meeting

I am writing this in the hopes that I can get some answers/justification as to why 3 members of our Council voted against the strong recommendation of the Consultants to extend the contract of the present CAO.

I did telephone Shelagh Landsmann- Councillor of my Ward , looking for some clarity and evidence but was offered no explanation, other than she “felt” that, going forward, the present CAO may not be able to handle the job. By the Councillor’s own admission the present CAO was doing very satisfactory work. Going forward – why would this change? None of us can predict what challenges that we may be facing during these trying times.

Speaking of trying times, I would also like to point out that the same 3 Councillors that voted against the taxpayer’s paid for Consultant’s report, also voted to increase our taxes by 9 plus percent for the coming year. Although they repeatedly said that they “appreciate the situation” that we are in, they are dismissing once again the severity and consequences that this world crisis is having on some of the families in our community, and the emotional and financial struggles that they are facing.

Regards,

Paula Cowing