

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. in the Scoop Lewry Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Higgins
Coun. Boyle
Coun. Eby
Coun. Luhning
Coun. Kirkpatrick
Coun. Mitchell
Coun. Swanson

ADMIN: Garry McKay, City Manager
Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor
Jody Hauta, Director of Parks and Recreation
Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services
Mahabub Zaman, Acting Director of Engineering Services
Duane Grado, Public Works Manager

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The meeting of the Budget Committee was called to deal with the following items:

1. Report dated February 5, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Public Consultation.**
2. Letter dated January 24, 2013 from Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator, Moose Jaw-South Central Regional Intersectoral Committee (RIC), **re: Request for the City to fund a Position dedicated to Community Wellness.** *(It would be in order for this item to be considered in conjunction with item #9)*
3. Letter dated February 4, 2013 from Marilyn Braun-Pollon, Vice President, Prairie and Agri-Business, **re: Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) – Views on City of Moose Jaw’s 2013 Operating Budget.**
4. Report dated February 7, 2013 from the Engineering Department, **re: Systematic Parking Ban During Snow Events.** *(It would be in order for this item to be considered in conjunction with item #10)*
5. Report dated January 24, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Infrastructure Deficit Reserve.** *(It would be in order for this item to be considered in conjunction with item #11)*

Referred Matters:

6. Report (Communication #134) dated December 10, 2012 from the City Manager, re: **2013 Operating Budget Estimates**.
Res. #795 from the December 17, 2012 City Council Meeting:
“THAT the 2013 Operating Budget estimates be referred to the Budget Committee for a detailed review.” (Please bring your 2013 Preliminary Operating Budget binder distributed with the December 17, 2012 City Council agenda package)
7. Report (Communication #133) dated December 12, 2012 from Mayor Deb Higgins, Chair, Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners, re: **Police Service Operating Budget Submission for the Year 2013**.
Res. #794 from the December 17, 2012 City Council Meeting:
“THAT the 2013 Police Service Operating Budget, along with accompanying documentation, be referred to the Budget Committee for deliberations.” (Please bring Communication #133 distributed with the January 28, 2013 Budget Committee agenda packages.)
8. Letter (Communication #124) dated November 9, 2012 from Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, Moose Jaw Public Library, re: **2013 Operating Budget Estimates for the Public Library**
Resolution #751a from the December 3, 2012 City Council Meeting:
“THAT Communication #124 being a letter dated November 9, 2012 from Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, presenting the estimates for the 2013 Public Library Operating Budget be referred to City Council’s Budget Committee for consideration during Operating Budget deliberations.” (Please bring Communication #124 distributed with the January 28, 2013 Budget Committee agenda packages.)
9. **Moose Jaw-South Central RIC**
Res. #817 from the December 17, 2012 City Council Meeting:
*“THAT letter dated December 4, 2012 from Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator, Moose Jaw-South Central RIC be referred to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee as information; and
THAT the request from the Moose Jaw-South Central RIC be referred to Budget Committee.”*
10. **Parking Ban During Snow Events**
Res. #215a from the March 19, 2012 City Council Meeting:
*“THAT the following motion:
“THAT Administration be directed to provide a report to Executive Committee or Committee of the Whole to discuss the options of a systematic parking ban during snow events in order that City streets can be plowed with more efficiency.”
Be referred to 2013 Operating Budget discussions.”*

11. Communication #72 – 2011 Audited Financial Statements

Res. #535a from the August 7, 2012 City Council Meeting:

“THAT the following motion:

“*THAT a contribution of \$393,000 be made from the Accumulated Surplus to establish an Infrastructure Reserve Fund.*”

Be referred to a Budget Committee meeting where Council determines the definition and policy parameters of this Infrastructure Reserve Fund.”

Tabled Matter:

12. Report dated January 2, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Operating Budget Approval Process.** (*Please bring report distributed with the January 21, 2013 Budget Committee agenda package.*)

Call to Order

Mayor Higgins, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Re: Public Consultation

Considered was a report dated February 5, 2013 from the Financial Services Department to provide City Council with an overview of the 2013 Operating Budget Public Consultation process and delegations wishing to address Budget Committee.

Moved by Coun. Eby

148 THAT report dated February 5, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, be received and filed.

Carried.

Re: Request for the City to fund a Position dedication to Community Wellness

Considered was a letter dated January 24, 2013 from Ms. Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator, Moose Jaw-South Central Regional Intersectoral Committee (RIC), requesting permission to address members of the Budget Committee to clarify the outcomes of the Healthy Active Living forum and to request consideration of the outcomes and the potential of funding a position dedication to Community Wellness. Also considered in conjunction with this matter was resolution no. 817 from the December 17, 2012 regular meeting of City Council. Resolution no. 817 reads as follows:

“*THAT letter dated December 4, 2012 from Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator, Moose Jaw-South Central RIC be referred to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee as information; and THAT the request from the Moose Jaw-South Central RIC be referred to Budget Committee.*”

- 149 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT representatives of the Healthy Active Living Committee of the Moose Jaw-South Central Regional Intersectoral Committee be allowed to provide a presentation to City Council.
- Carried.

Ms. Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator of RIC, and Mr. Jeff Fox, RIC Executive member, addressed members of the Budget Committee.

- 150 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT letter dated January 24, 2013 from Ms. Christine Boyczuk, Coordinator, Moose Jaw-South Central RIC, be received and filed.
- Carried.

Re: Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) – Views on City of Moose Jaw’s 2013 Operating Budget

Considered was a letter dated February 4, 2013 from Marilyn Braun-Pollon, Vice President, Prairie and Agri-Business, CFIB, to provide Moose Jaw City Council with CFIB’s views on the proposed 2013 Operating Budget.

Councillor Swanson left the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

- 151 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT letter dated February 4, 2013 from Marilyn Braun-Pollon, Vice President, Prairie and Agri-Business, Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) be received and filed.
- Carried.

Referred Matters:

Re: Systematic Parking Ban during Snow Events

Considered was a report dated February 7, 2013 from the Engineering Department to provide City Council with options in respect of a Systematic Parking Ban during Snow Events in regard to resolution no. 215a from the March 19, 2012 regular meeting of City Council. Resolution 215a reads as follows:

“THAT the following motion:

“THAT Administration be directed to provide a report to Executive Committee or Committee of the Whole to discuss the options of a systematic parking ban during snow events in order that City streets can be plowed with more efficiency.”

be referred to 2013 Operating Budget discussions.”

Councillor Swanson returned to the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

152 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT report dated February 7, 2013 from the Engineering Department be received and filed.

Carried.

Councillor Kirkpatrick left the meeting at 6:22 p.m.
Councillor Kirkpatrick returned to the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Re: Infrastructure Deficit Reserve

Considered was a report dated January 24, 2013 from the Financial Services Department to request City Council's approval of a proposed Infrastructure Deficit Reserve in regard to resolution no. 535a from the August 7, 2012 regular meeting of City Council. Resolution no. 535a reads as follows:

“THAT the following motion:

“THAT a contribution of \$393,000 be made from the Accumulated Surplus to establish an Infrastructure Reserve Fund.”

be referred to a Budget Committee meeting where Council determines the definition and policy parameters of this Infrastructure Reserve Fund.”

Councillor Boyle left the meeting at 6:42 p.m.
Councillor Boyle returned to the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

153 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT report dated January 24, 2013 from the Financial Services Department be referred to Budget Committee on Wednesday, February 20, 2013.

Carried.

154 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the meeting now adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) Mayor Higgins
Chairperson