

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held on Saturday, February 20, 2016 at 9:03 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

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

ADMIN: Matt Noble, City Manager
Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor
Barb Fysh, A/Director of Parks and Recreation
Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services
Josh Mickleborough, Director of Engineering Services
Al Bromley, Director of Human Resources
Michelle Sanson, Director of Planning and Development Services
Wade McKay, Manager of Information Technology
Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller
Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief

PARTIAL: Colin Prang, Manager of Engineering Services
Brenda Hendrickson, City Treasurer/Acting City Assessor
Orval Coates, Manager of Water and Wastewater
Mark Sture, Transit Manager
Todd Muir, Operations Manager
Don Livingstone, Facilities and Buildings Supervisor
Staci Dobrascu, Public Works Supervisor, Water & Wastewater
Daily Lennox, Parks Supervisor
Rich Miller, Public Works Supervisor, Streets and Roads

MEDIA: Moose Jaw Times Herald

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

1. Budget Reviews (see attached schedule).
2. Report dated February 3, 2016 from the City Manager, re: 2016 Tax Policy – Mill Rate Factors.
3. Report dated February 3, 2016 from the City Manager and Director of Financial Services Department, re: Capital Budget Update.
4. Report dated February 6, 2016 from the Engineering Department, re: Automated Speed Enforcement – Revenues and Program Initiatives.

Referred Matters:

5. Report (Communication #129) dated November 13, 2015 from the Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners, **re: Police Service Operating Budget Submission for the Year 2016.**
6. Letter (Communication #130) dated October 28, 2015 from the Moose Jaw Public Library, **re: 2016 Operating Budget Estimates for the Public Library.**
7. Report (Communication #127) dated November 19, 2015 from the City Manager, **re: Capital Budget Estimates.**
8. Report dated November 27, 2015 from the City Manager, **re: 2016 to 2025 Unfunded Capital Budget Estimates.**
9. Report (Communication #4) dated January 13, 2016 from the City Manager, **re: Preliminary Operating Budget Estimates.**

Tabled Matters:

10. Letter dated October 7, 2015 from Scott Clark General Manager Downtown Facility and Field House Facility, **re: 2016 Operating Budget Request.**
11. Report dated January 25, 2016 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Operating and Capital Budget Approval Process.**

Call to Order

Mayor Higgins, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Re: Budget Reviews

The following Department Business Plan presentations were made: Planning and Development Services (including Land Development), Other Services – General, Parks and Recreation, Engineering Services & Transit, Water Works Utility, Sanitary Sewer Utility and Solid Waste Utility.

Planning and Development Services Department:

Re: Land Development

Moved by Coun. Swanson

THAT the carry forward of \$463,138 in the OS2 be reduced to \$113,138 with the remaining \$350,000 transferred to WW17.

Defeated.

191 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for the Planning and Development Services Department be approved at a funding level of \$1,305,945 for the year 2016.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the housing initiatives line 2016 be deleted.

Withdrawn.

192 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT OS-2 innovative housing be reduced to zero in 2016.

Carried.

193 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT Westheath Phase V in the amount of \$4,440,650 be moved to 2017.

Vote Delayed by Amendment.

193a Amendment Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT the main motion be amended by removing “4,440,650” and replacing it with “4,040,650”.

The Amendment was Carried.
The Motion, as Amended, was Carried.

The motion, as amended, reads:

“THAT Westheath Phase V in the amount of \$4,040,650 be moved to 2017.”

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT LD3 South East Industrial Subdivision be changed to zero in 2016.

Defeated.

194 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT LD4 Land Development Policy and Business Plan be changed to zero for 2016.

Carried.

Coun. Eby left the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Coun. Eby returned to the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Coun. Luhning left the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Coun. Luhning returned to the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Coun. Boyle left the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Coun. Boyle returned to the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

The meeting recessed at 11:05 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:12 a.m.

195 Moved by Mayor Higgins
THAT the Capital Budget for the Planning and Development Department of \$2,375,000 be approved for 2016.

Carried.

Re: Parks and Recreation Department:

196 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT Council receive a report on projections if the City had only one pool open at a time (assuming closing indoor pool for 12 weeks.)

Carried.

197 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for the Parks and Recreation Department be approved at \$7,199,517 for the year 2016.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the \$43,000 for the Cultural Centre marquee replacement be deferred to 2018 and be subject to a fund raising campaign component.

Defeated.

The Budget Committee recessed for lunch at 12:40 p.m.

The Budget Committee reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

198 Moved by Coun, Kirkpatrick
THAT Council adjust the Parks and Recreation carry forward Capital Budget by revising the amount to \$277,138 as follows:

PR-23 \$ 36,700
PR-47 \$194,300
PR-55 \$ 5,600
PR-59 Inc. \$ 26,354 to \$ 82,818
PR-68 Inc. \$ 14,184 to \$187,700

Carried.

199 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT PR68 Parks Dedication Parks & Trails masterplan project be reduced by \$99,000 in 2016.

Carried.

200 Moved by Coun. Eby
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Capital Budget for the Parks and Recreation Department be approved at a funding level of \$1,216,855.

Carried.

Re: Engineering Department/Transit Division:

Moved by Coun. Swanson

THAT Paratransit expenditures by the City equal the provincial subsidy for that program.

Defeated.

201 Moved by Coun. Eby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular Transit Division's Operating Budget be approved at \$1,254,140 for the year 2016.

Carried.

202 Moved by Coun. Eby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Paratransit Operating Budget be approved at \$449,991 for the year 2016.

Carried.

Re: Automated Speed Enforcement – Revenues

203 Moved by Coun. Mitchell

THAT monies generated from the ASE program be placed in a traffic safety reserve fund for traffic safety initiatives delivered through the Moose Jaw Police Service and the City Engineering Department in consultation with SGI; and

THAT all expenditures be determined by the City through a report and recommendations to City Council.

Carried.

204 Moved by Mayor Higgins.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for the Engineering Services Department be approved at \$7,667,707 for the year 2016.

Carried.

205 Moved by Coun. Eby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transportation Capital Budget for the Engineering Department be approved at \$5,539,000 for the year 2016.

Carried.

206 Moved by Coun. Eby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Capital Budget for storm sewers be approved at \$225,000 for the year 2016.

Carried.

The meeting recessed at 3:26 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:35 p.m.

Re: Waterworks Utility

207 Moved by Coun. Eby
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the waterworks utility budget be approved at \$8,549,878 for 2016.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the allocation for WW17 Cast Iron Water Main budget be set at \$7.1 million for 2016 to 2020.

Defeated.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the 2016 – 2020 capital budget allocation for water works be adjusted to \$90 million and that there be a report from Administration on options.

Defeated.

208 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT the waterworks utility capital budget be established at \$20,051,338 for 2016.

Carried.

209 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the WW16 BPWTP transmission line be approved as the 2016 municipal gas tax project.

Carried.

Resolution #209
Rescinded by
Res. #230
March 14, 2016
Budget Committee

Re: Sanitary Sewer Utility

210 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the 2016 sanitary sewer utility operating budget be approved at \$7,128,615.

Carried.

211 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the 2016 sanitary sewer utility capital budget be approved at \$4,759,065.

Carried.

Re: Solid Waste Utility

212 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the multi-material recycling grant of \$188,000 be used to offset the residential charge for curbside recycling.

Vote Delayed by Referral Motion.

212a Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT the matter of the multi-material recycling grant of \$188,000 to be used to offset the residential charge for curbside recycling, be referred to City Administration for a report to Council.

Carried.

213 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT Council receive a report on projected costs and life span of the landfill expansion.

Carried.

214 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the solid waste operating budget for 2016 be approved at \$3,431,252.

Carried.

215 Moved by Coun. Luhning
THAT the solid waste capital budget for 2016 be approved at \$61,000.

Carried.

216 Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the meeting now adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
(Sgd.) Mayor Higgins
Chairperson