

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held on Saturday, January 10, 2015 at 8:22 a.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: Matt Noble, City Manager
Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor
Jody Hauta, 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, Manager of Planning
Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller
Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief
Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief

PARTIAL: Brenda Hendrickson, City Treasurer/Acting City Assessor
Randy Borsa, Acting Co-Director of Engineering Services
Duane Grado, Public Works Manager
Orval Coates, Crescent View Lift Station
Wade McKay, Manager of Information Technology and Continuous Improvement

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

1. Report dated December 14, 2014 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Budget Approval Process.**
2. **Citizen Budget Results** (*will be distributed at the meeting*)
3. **Budget Reviews** (*see attached schedule*)
4. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department – Transit Division, **re: Parking Meter Rate Increase.**
5. Report dated December 12, 2014 from the Financial Services Department and the Planning and Development Services Department, **re: Land Development.**
6. Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Planning and Development Services Department, **re: Main Street Saskatchewan Program.** (*to be considered in conjunction with referred item on same*)

7. Report dated December 6, 2014 from the Engineering Department – Transit Division, **re: Evening Transit Services.** *(to be considered in conjunction with referred item on same)*
8. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Garbage Receptacles on MacDonald St.** *(to be considered in conjunction with referred item on same)*
9. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Engineering Department Service Line Replacement Revenue Review.**
10. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Engineering Department – Trade Waste Program.**
11. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Confidential Land Matter.**
12. Report from the City Manager, **re: Confidential Matter.** *(will be distributed prior to meeting)*
(to be considered in conjunction with referred item on same)

Referred Matters:

13. Report (Communication #135) dated December 5, 2014 from the City Manager, **re: Operating and Capital Budget Estimates.**
Res. #778 from the December 15, 2014 City Council Meeting:
“THAT the 2015 Preliminary Operating Budget Estimates, the 2015 – 2019 Preliminary Capital Budget Estimates, and the 2015 to 2024 Unfunded Capital Budget Estimates be referred to Budget Committee for a detailed review.”
(Please bring your 2015 Preliminary Operating Budget binder, 2015 – 2019 Preliminary Capital Budget Binder and 2015 to 2024 Unfunded Capital Budget Binder distributed with the December 15, 2014 City Council agenda package)
 - a) 2015 Preliminary Operating Budget
 - b) 2015 – 2019 Preliminary Capital Budget
 - c) 2015 – 2024 Unfunded Capital Budget
14. Report (Communication #130) dated November 20, 2014 from Mayor Deb Higgins, Chair, Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners, **re: Police Service Operating Budget Submission for the Year 2015.** *(to be dealt with at January 12, 2015 Budget Committee meeting)*
15. Letter (Communication #110) dated October 14, 2014 from Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, Moose Jaw Public Library, **re: 2015 Operating Budget Estimates for the Public Library.** *(to be dealt with at January 12, 2015 Budget Committee meeting)*

16. **Evening Transit Service**

Res. #774 from the December 1, 2014 City Council meeting:

“THAT City Administration prepare a draft schedule and line budget estimate for evening transit service to 9:00 p.m. daily, effective February 1, 2015; and

THAT this budget item be considered in the 2015 Operating Budget discussions.”

17. **Garbage Receptacles on MacDonald Street**

Res. #697a from the November 3, 2014 City Council meeting (October 9, 2014 Youth Advisory Committee minutes):

“THAT the following motion:

“THAT City Administration explore the need of garbage receptacles on MacDonald Street between the fast food restaurants on Main Street and Vanier Collegiate (preferably on the North side of the street).

be referred to Budget Committee.”

18. **Main Street Saskatchewan Program – Capacity Building Grant**

Res. #544 from the July 28, 2014 Executive Committee meeting:

“THAT City Council direct City Administration to apply for the Main Street Saskatchewan Program under the Affiliate tier; and

THAT the City of Moose Jaw:

1. Endorse the submission of this application to participate in the Main Street Saskatchewan Program as an Affiliate Tier community as so defined by said program; and

2. Endorse the goal of historic commercial area revitalization through implementation of the Main Street Four-Point Approach; and

3. Will provide such support to the Main Street Program that Council finds practicable to provide; and further

THAT funding for the Capacity Building Grant be referred to the 2015 Budget discussions.”

19. **Confidential Matter** from December 8, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting.

Call to Order

Mayor Higgins, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 8:22 a.m.

89 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT the Budget Committee close the meeting to the public and proceed *in camera* pursuant to section 16(1)(c) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to discuss the confidential matter.

Councillor Swanson requested a recorded vote on the motion.

Present: Mayor Higgins, Coun. Swanson, Coun. Eby, Coun. Boyle, Coun. Kirkpatrick, Coun. Mitchell, Coun. Luhnig

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>
Coun. Boyle	Coun. Swanson
Coun. Kirkpatrick	Coun. Luhnig
Mayor Higgins	Coun. Mitchell
Coun. Eby	

Carried.

The Budget Committee closed the meeting at 8:23 a.m. to the public with the following persons in attendance: Mayor Higgins, Councillor Luhnig, Councillor Eby, Councillor Swanson, Councillor Kirkpatrick, Councillor Mitchell, Councillor Boyle, Matt Noble, City Manager; Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services; Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor; Jody Hauta, Director of Parks and Recreation; Josh Mickleborough, Director of Engineering Services; Michelle Sanson, Manager of Planning and Development Services; Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller; Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief; Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief; Al Bromley, Director of Human Resource Services; Wade McKay, Manager of Information Technology and Continuous Improvement; Duane Grado, Public Works Manager; and Mark Sture, Transit Manager.

90 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT the Budget Committee reconvene in open session.

Carried.

The Budget Committee reconvened in open session at 10:21 a.m.

The Budget Committee recessed at 10:22 a.m.
The Budget Committee reconvened at 10:37 a.m.

91 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT the 2015 Capital program for Cast Iron Watermain Replacement be established at \$5,850,000; and

THAT a 2.25% tax increase be allocated on an ongoing basis to WW-17 Cast Iron Watermain Replacement funding; and

THAT City Administration be directed to explore further funding options for this program and undertake a public consultation process; and further

THAT the development of a long term policy on Cast Iron Watermain Replacement be authorized.

On the request of Councillor Swanson, the presiding officer being satisfied that the motion contained distinct propositions directed that a separate vote take place on the motion as follows:

- 91a 1. THAT the 2015 Capital program for Cast Iron Watermain Replacement be established at \$5,850,000.

Vote Delayed by Amendment.

Amendment Moved by Coun. Swanson

THAT the motion be amended by deleting “\$5,850,000” and replacing it with “\$7,000,000”.

Vote Delayed by Sub-Amendment.

Sub-Amendment Moved by Coun. Swanson

THAT the amendment be amended by adding: “*THAT the additional \$1,150,000 be paid for by a reduction of operational spending.*”

The Sub Amendment was Defeated.

Sub-Amendment Moved by Coun. Mitchell

THAT the amendment be amended by adding: “*THAT the source of funding be a general tax increase of 7.30 per cent.*”

The Sub-Amendment was Defeated.

The Amendment was Defeated.

Councillor Eby requested a recorded vote on the main motion.

Present: Mayor Higgins, Coun. Swanson, Coun. Eby, Coun. Boyle, Coun. Kirkpatrick, Coun. Mitchell, Coun. Luhning

FOR:

Coun. Eby
Coun. Kirkpatrick
Coun. Mitchell
Coun. Boyle
Mayor Higgins

AGAINST:

Coun. Swanson
Coun. Luhning

The Main Motion was Carried.

- 91b 2. THAT a 2.25% tax increase be allocated on an ongoing basis to WW-17 Cast Iron Watermain Replacement funding.

Carried.

- 91c 3. THAT City Administration present funding options in a public consultation process to the residents of Moose Jaw including Local Improvement Program (LIP), tax increase, utility increase, infrastructure levy, reduction in spending, reserves, and borrowing.

Carried.

Councillor Luhning left the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

Councillor Luhning returned to the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

Councillor Kirkpatrick left the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

- 91d 4. THAT the development of a long term policy on Cast Iron Watermain Replacement be authorized.

Carried.

Councillor Kirkpatrick returned to the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

The Budget Committee adjourned for lunch at 12:09 p.m.

The Budget Committee reconvened at 12:36 p.m.

Engineering Department/Transit Division:

Referred Matter:

Re: Garbage Receptacles on MacDonald St.

Considered was a report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department to provide City Council with information on the installation of garbage receptacles on MacDonald Street between Main Street North and Vanier Collegiate. Also considered in conjunction with this report was the following referred motion:

Res. #697a from the November 3, 2014 City Council meeting (October 9, 2014 Youth Advisory Committee minutes):

“THAT the following motion:

“THAT City Administration explore the need of garbage receptacles on MacDonald Street between the fast food restaurants on Main Street and Vanier Collegiate (preferably on the North side of the street).

be referred to Budget Committee.”

Moved by Coun. Eby

THAT two (2) new garbage receptacles be placed on MacDonald Street between Main Street North and Vanier Collegiate with funding from the Downtown Development Initiatives Account.

Defeated.

Moved by Coun. Mitchell

92 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for the Engineering Services Department be approved at \$6,597,353 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Referred Matter:

Re: Evening Transit Service

Considered was a report dated December 6, 2014 from the Engineering Department – Transit Division to provide City Council’s Budget Committee information related to the costs to evening transit service for the City of Moose Jaw. Also considered in conjunction with this report was the following referred motion:

Res. #774 from the December 1, 2014 City Council meeting:

“THAT City Administration prepare a draft schedule and line budget estimate for evening transit service to 9:00 p.m. daily, effective February 1, 2015; and

THAT this budget item be considered in the 2015 Operating Budget discussions.”

Moved by Coun. Mitchell

THAT evening transit service be provided on an hourly basis from 6:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., Monday to Friday; and

THAT adequate funds be assigned from the 2015 Operating Budget to cover this cost.

Defeated.

Moved by Coun. Mitchell

93 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transit Division's Operating Budget be approved at \$1,240,934 for the year 2015.

Vote Delayed by Amendment.

Amendment Moved by Coun. Swanson

93a THAT the motion be amended by reducing the Transit Division's Operating budget by \$20,000.

The Amendment was Carried.

The Motion, as Amended, was Carried.

The Motion as Amended reads as follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transit Division's Operating Budget be approved at \$1,220,934 for the year 2015."

Moved by Coun. Swanson

94 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Paratransit Operating Budget be approved at \$413,531 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson

95 THAT PW8(a) be increased by \$200,000 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson

96 THAT PW8(b) be increased by \$100,000 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson

97 THAT the PW34 budget allocation of \$15,000 be subject to matching provincial funding.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson

98 THAT PW39 be moved to the Operating Budget.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
99 THAT the Budget Committee close the meeting to the public and proceed *in camera* pursuant to section 16(1)(c) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to discuss the confidential matter.
Carried.

The Budget Committee closed the meeting at 2:43 p.m. to the public with the following persons in attendance: Mayor Higgins, Councillor Luhning, Councillor Eby, Councillor Swanson, Councillor Kirkpatrick, Councillor Mitchell, Councillor Boyle, Matt Noble, City Manager; Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services; Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor; Jody Hauta, Director of Parks and Recreation; Josh Mickleborough, Director of Engineering Services; Michelle Sanson, Manager of Planning and Development Services; Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller; Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief; Duane Grado, Public Works Manager; Mark Sture, Transit Manager; Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief; Brenda Hendrickson, City Treasurer/Acting City Assessor; Al Bromley, Director of Human Resource Services; and Orval Coates, Crescent View Lift Station.

Moved by Coun. Luhning
100 THAT the Budget Committee reconvene in open session.
Carried.

The Budget Committee reconvened in open session at 3:13 p.m.

Moved by Coun. Boyle
101 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Works and Storm Sewers Capital Budget be approved at \$5,139,000 for the year 2015.
Carried.

Planning & Development Services – Capital Budget:

Tabled Matter:

Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
102 THAT the following motion:

“*THAT the Capital Project expense for Westheath Phase V be deferred to the 2016 Capital Plan.*”

be lifted from the table.
Carried.

103 THAT the Capital Project expense for Westheath Phase V be deferred to the 2016 Capital Plan.
Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the Diefenbaker Drive extension be deferred to 2016.
Defeated.

- Moved by Coun. Eby
104 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning and Development Services Department's Capital Budget be approved at \$2,269,000.

Carried.

The Budget Committee recessed at 3:31 p.m.
The Budget Committee reconvened at 3:40 p.m.

- Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
105 THAT the Budget Committee close the meeting to the public and proceed *in camera* pursuant to section 16(1)(c) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to discuss the confidential matter.

Carried.

The Budget Committee closed the meeting at 3:41 p.m. to the public with the following persons in attendance: Mayor Higgins, Councillor Luhning, Councillor Eby, Councillor Swanson, Councillor Kirkpatrick, Councillor Mitchell, Councillor Boyle, Matt Noble, City Manager; Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services; Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor; Jody Hauta, Director of Parks and Recreation; Josh Mickleborough, Director of Engineering Services; Michelle Sanson, Manager of Planning and Development Services; Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller; Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief; Duane Grado, Public Works Manager; Mark Sture, Transit Manager; Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief; Brenda Hendrickson, City Treasurer/Acting City Assessor; Al Bromley, Director of Human Resource Services; Randy Borsa, Acting Co-Director of Engineering Services; and Orval Coates, Crescent View Lift Station.

- Moved by Coun. Eby
106 THAT the Budget Committee reconvene in open session.

Carried.

The Budget Committee reconvened in open session at 5:06 p.m.

- Moved by Coun. Boyle
107 THAT the meeting now adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
(Sgd.) Mayor Higgins
Chairperson