

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held on Monday, January 19, 2015 at 7:27 p.m. in the Scoop Lewry Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

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

ADMIN: 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
Michelle Sanson, Manager of Planning and Development Services
Mark Sture, Transit Manager
Duane Grado, Public Works Manager
Orval Coates, Crescent View Lift Station
Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller
Al Bromley, Director of Human Resources
Randy Borsa, Acting Co-Director of Engineering Services
Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief
Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief

MEDIA: Moose Jaw Times Herald
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The meeting of the Budget Committee was called to deal with the following items:

1. **Budget Reviews** (continued) (*see attached schedule*)
2. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Engineering Department Service Line Replacement Revenue Review.** (*Please bring report distributed with the January 9th & 10th, 2015 Budget Committee agenda package*)
3. Report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department, **re: Engineering Department – Trade Waste Program.** (*Please bring report distributed with the January 9th & 10th, 2015 Budget Committee agenda package*)

Referred Matters:

4. 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

Outstanding Matters:

- 5. 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**
Resolution #669 from the November 3, 2014 City Council Meeting:
“THAT Communication #110 being a letter dated October 14, 2014 from Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, presenting the estimates for the 2015 Public Library Operating Budget be referred to City Council’s Budget Committee for consideration during Operating Budget deliberations.”
(Please bring report distributed with the January 12, 2015 Budget Committee agenda package)
- 6. 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.**
Res. #750 from the December 1, 2014 City Council Meeting:
“THAT the 2015 Police Service Operating Budget estimates and funding request submitted by the Chair, Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners, be referred to Budget Committee for deliberations.”
(To be considered at the January 26th Budget Committee meeting)
- 7. Letters dated October 13, 2014 from Scott Clark, General Manager, Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc., **re: Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. 2015 Operating and Capital Budget Submission.**
(Please bring report distributed with the January 12, 2015 Budget Committee agenda package)

Tabled Matter:

- 8. Report dated December 14, 2014 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Budget Approval Process.**
(Please bring report distributed with the January 9th & 10th, 2015 Budget Committee agenda package)

Call to Order

Mayor Higgins, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.

Water Works Utility:

Re: Engineering Department Service Line Replacement Revenue Review

Considered was a report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department to request that City Council approve an increase in rates charged for the replacement of sanitary sewer and water line services that the Engineering Department provides to the public.

116 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT City Council approve the following rates to account for the real costs to deliver the specialized services:

Sewer Cleanout	\$3,800.00/cleanout
(50% subsidization if boulevard tree Exists adjacent to lot)	\$1,900.00/cleanout
Additional Charge for Winter Months Portion from Main Line to Building	\$60.00 per lineal metre
Reconstruction of Sewer and Water From Main Line to Building	\$8,450.00

THAT the City Clerk/Solicitor be authorized to prepare any amendments required for the pertinent Bylaws that have been affected by the changes in the rates; and

THAT the new rates come into effect February 1, 2015. Carried.

117 Moved by Coun. Eby
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for the Water Works Utility be approved at \$7,995,365 for the year 2015. Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the four previous reports on Cast Iron Watermains be released to the public. Defeated.

118 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT Capital Project WW9 East Feeder Line and WW17 Cast Iron Watermains be approved as City of Moose Jaw Gas Tax eligible projects; and

THAT City Administration be directed to develop the Infrastructure Investment Plan for these projects and submit to the appropriate funding authorities. Carried.

119 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the Waterworks Capital Budget be approved at \$10,036,840 for the year 2015. Carried.

Sanitary Sewer Utility:

Moved by Coun. Eby
120 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for Sanitary Sewer Utility be approved at \$6,493,831 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Moved by Coun. Mitchell
121 THAT the Capital Budget for Sanitary Sewers be approved at \$3,717,564 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Solid Waste Utility:

Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT Account 140.6304 – Waste Recycling Program be reduced to \$50,000.

Councillor Mitchell Withdrew the Motion.

Councillor Boyle left the meeting at 8:59 p.m.
Councillor Boyle returned to the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

The Budget Committee recessed at 9:13 p.m.
The Budget Committee reconvened at 9:18 p.m.

Moved by Coun. Boyle
122 THAT \$3,500 be added to Compost Bins line in 140.6305 – Solid Waste.
Carried.

Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
123 THAT \$1,500 (MJBEX Green Business of the Year) and \$3,500 (Moose Jaw Green Household of the Year) in account 140.6305 – Solid Waste be deleted.

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

123a 1. THAT \$1,500 (MJBEX Green Business of the Year) in account 140.6305 – Solid Waste be deleted.
Carried.

123b 2. THAT \$3,500 (Moose Jaw Green Household of the Year) in account 140.6305 – Solid Waste be deleted.
Carried.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT \$7,000 for the 2015 Sustainable Community Forum be deleted.
Defeated.

Moved by Coun. Swanson
THAT the residential garbage fee be reduced to \$673,648 and a corresponding decrease occur in expenditures for residential garbage collection in the General Revenue Fund (Operating Budget).
Defeated.

Re: Engineering Department – Trade Waste Program

Considered was a report dated December 10, 2014 from the Engineering Department to request that City Council approve the discontinuation of the Trade Waste Collection Program.

124 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT City Council approve the discontinuation of the Trade Waste Collection Program effective July 1, 2015; and

THAT the Engineering Department contact all business customers in the Trade Waste Collection Program to discuss contractual services available.

Carried.

125 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Operating Budget for Solid Waste Utility be approved at \$2,316,690 for the year 2015.

Carried.

126 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Capital Budget for Solid Waste Utility be approved at \$1,759,000 for the year 2015.

Carried.

Fire Services Department:

127 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.

Carried.

The Executive Committee closed the meeting at 10:02 p.m. to the public with the following persons in attendance: Mayor Higgins, Councillor Eby, Councillor Kirkpatrick, Councillor Boyle, Councillor Mitchell, Councillor Luhnig, Councillor Swanson, Myron Gulka-Tiechko, City Clerk/Solicitor; Jody Hauta, Director of Parks and Recreation; Brian Acker, Director of Financial Services; Michelle Sanson, Manager of Planning and Development Services; Mark Sture, Transit Manager; Josh Mickleborough, Director of Engineering Services; Randy Borsa, Acting Co-Director of Engineering Services; Orval Coates, Crescent View Lift Station; Duane Grado, Public Works Manager; Sandy Campbell, City Comptroller; Rod Montgomery, Fire Chief; and Brian Wilson, Deputy Fire Chief.

128 Moved by Coun. Boyle
THAT the Executive Committee reconvene in open session.

Carried.

The Executive Committee reconvened in open session at 10:33 p.m.

Councillor Swanson left the meeting at 10:24 p.m.

129 Moved by Mayor Higgins
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fire Services Department Operating Budget of \$6,100,213 be approved for the year 2015.

Carried.

130 Moved by Coun. Boyle
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fire Services Department Capital Budget of \$49,614 be approved for the year 2015.

Carried.

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

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
(Sgd.) Mayor Higgins
Chairperson