

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held on Monday, January 28, 2013 at 10:31 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
Dale Larsen, Police Chief
Karon Selzer, Head Librarian

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

1. Report dated January 22, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Operating Budget Update.**
2. Budget Documents from Scott Clark, General Manager, Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc., **re: Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. 2013 Operating Budget Submission.**

Referred Matters:

3. 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)
4. 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.”

5. 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**

Res. #694 from the October 17, 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.”

6. **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.”

7. **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.”

8. **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:

1. Report dated January 2, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, re: **Operating Budget Approval Process.**

Call to Order

Mayor Higgins, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:31 p.m.

Re: Operating Budget Update

Considered was a report dated January 22, 2013 from the Financial Services Department to provide City Council with an update on the status of the 2013 Operating Budget.

Moved by Coun. Eby

144 THAT the changes to the Operating Budget as detailed in report dated January 22, 2013 from the Financial Services Department, be adopted.

Carried.

Re: Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. 2013 Operating Budget Submission

Considered were budget documents provided by Mr. Scott Clark, General Manager, Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. to provide members of the Budget Committee with information with respect to the Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. (Mosaic Place & Yara Centre) 2013 Operating Budget submission.

Moved by Coun. Luhning

145 THAT representatives of the Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. be allowed to address members of the Budget Committee with respect to the Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. 2013 Operating Budget Submission.

Carried.

Mr. Scott Clark, General Manager, and Mr. Kurt Saladana, Board Chair, Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer/Field-House Facilities Inc. addressed members of the Budget Committee.

Referred Matters:

Re: Police Service Operating Budget Submission for the Year 2013

Again considered was resolution no. 794 from the December 17, 2012 regular meeting of City Council in regard to Communication #133 dated December 12, 2012 from Mayor Deb Higgins, Chair, Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners to present to City Council, the 2013 Police Service Operating Budget submission.

Resolution no. 794 reads as follows:

“THAT the 2013 Police Service Operating Budget, along with accompanying documentation, be referred to the Budget Committee for deliberations.”

Mr. Dale Larsen, Police Chief, addressed members of the Budget Committee.

Re: 2013 Operating Budget Estimates for the Public Library

Again considered was resolution no. 751a from the December 3, 2012 regular meeting of City Council in regard to a letter (Communication #124) dated November 9, 2012 from Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, Moose Jaw Public Library, to present the 2013 Moose Jaw Public Library Operating Budget submission.

Resolution #751a reads as follows:

“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.”

146 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT members of the Moose Jaw Public Library be allowed to present to members of the Budget Committee.

Carried.

Ms. Karon Selzer, Head Librarian, and Mr. Terry Gabel, Board Chair, Moose Jaw Public Library, addressed members of the Budget Committee.

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

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) Mayor Higgins
Chairperson