

REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE

March 6, 2017

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on March 6, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:27 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor J. Albanese, Chairperson; Councillors K. Perry, W. Brunetta and J. Caul.

ALSO PRESENT: D. Brown, CAO, E. Slomke, Clerk, T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities, A. Petrin, Human Resources Manager, J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services, L. Lindberg, Treasurer, D. Galusha, Deputy Treasurer.

1. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
(Session No. 085)

1.1 Call to Order at 4:00 p.m.

1.2 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof - None.

2. 2017 Budget Items

2.1 A presentation was made by C. Goulding, CEO and K. Zucchiatti, Board Member, Fort Frances Public Library & Technology Centre. Members of Council were provided the opportunity to ask questions and obtain further clarification. A meeting was scheduled between Town Administration and the Library CEO and Board Chair to further discuss the operating budget.

2.2 Update on 2017 Preliminary Capital Budget
A verbal summary was provided by L. Lindberg, Treasurer.

2.3 2016/2017 Projected Reserve Funds
A verbal summary was provided by L. Lindberg, Treasurer.

2.4 Potential Service Reduction - Elimination of Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day in favour of by-annual event
A verbal summary was provided by T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities. Members of Council were provided the opportunity to ask questions and obtain further clarification. Council will further consider this matter at the March 20th Special Committee of the Whole meeting (Budget).

2.5 Update on 2017 Preliminary Operating Budget
A verbal summary was provided by L. Lindberg, Treasurer with additional input provided by D. Brown, CAO.

2.6 Tax Scenarios for Commercial / Industrial - Vacant & Excess Land
A detailed verbal explanation was provided by L. Lindberg, Treasurer. Council directed the Treasurer to proceed by utilizing Scenario #3 regarding Commercial Vacant & Excess Land outlined on page 24. Additionally, Council directed the Treasurer to proceed with utilizing 30% rebate for Large Industrial Vacant & Excess Land.

2.7 Graduated Tax Rate Example for Properties with both CT and CU/CX Assessment.
A verbal summary was provided by L. Lindberg, Treasurer.

3. ADJOURNMENT

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3.1 The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

213 Perry - Caul: THAT this special meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed.

CARRIED

J. Albanese, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk