

Minutes of a Meeting of the Audit and Budget Committee held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Tuesday, May 05, 2015, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
T. Ault, Councillor
L. Bussieres, Councillor
J. Cardinal, Councillor
P. Meagher, Councillor
C. Tatum, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor

Absent: J. Chadi, Councillor
S. Germain, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Administration: M. Ulliac, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Leflar, Chief Legislative Officer
A. Rogers, Senior Legislative Officer
S. Harper, Legislative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor M. Blake called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Minutes of the Audit and Budget Committee meeting - April 21, 2015

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Minutes of the Audit and Budget Committee meeting held on April 21, 2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New and Unfinished Business

3. Questions to the Municipal Auditor
(6:02 p.m. – 6:03 p.m.)

The Committee did not direct any questions to the Municipal Auditor at this time.

It was suggested that the Committee dispense with the Questions to the Municipal Auditor standing item for future Audit and Budget Committee meetings with no dissent received among those in attendance.

4. First Quarter 2015 Financial Performance Update

(6:04 p.m. – 6:07 p.m.)

Elsie Hutton, Chief Financial Officer; and Kola Oladimeji, Director of Finance, provided an update on the 2015 First Quarter Financial Performance.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the First Quarter 2015 Financial Performance Update be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. 2015 – 2017 Fiscal Management Strategy

(6:08 p.m. – 6:47 p.m.)

Elsie Hutton, Chief Financial Officer; Kola Oladimeji, Director of Finance; and Philip Schofield, Acting Director of Assessment and Taxation, provided a presentation on the 2015-2017 Fiscal Management Strategy.

In response to a request, Administration committed to providing an update on performance of the Safety Codes permitting system and the Animal Control program with reference to financial savings since the services were brought in house.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the following be recommended to Council for consideration:

- That the 2015 – 2017 Fiscal Management Strategy, dated April 28, 2015, be approved as a guide for 2016 budget development; and
- That the 2014 – 2016 Fiscal Management Strategy, dated June 10, 2014, be rescinded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Policy Updates

(6:48 p.m. – 6:53 p.m.)

Marcel Ulliac, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a brief update on the Accountability, Integrity and Transparency Audit, and the progress made to date on the recommendations coming out of that Audit.

A request was made to have new and updated information highlighted in the policy update log for ease of reference when it is brought back on a bi-weekly basis.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Chair

Chief Legislative Officer