

**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING OF WESTLOCK
COUNTY, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN WESTLOCK
ON TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017**

Members Present

Don Savage	Reeve
Bud Massey	Councillor
Ron Zadunayski	Councillor
Mel Kroetsch	Councillor
Raymond Marquette	Deputy Reeve (arrived at 1:00 p.m.)
Denis Primeau	Councillor

Members Absent

Albert St. Louis	Councillor
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Staff Present

Leo Ludwig	Chief Administrative Officer
Diane Urkow	Director of Corporate Services
Al Scott	Director of Infrastructure
Laurie Strutt	Director of Planning and Community Services
Peggy Hardinge	Manager of Finance

Call to Order

Reeve Savage called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda

131/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau that Council adopt the Agenda as circulated.

Carried 5-0

Budget Review

Administration submitted an RFD for a capital replacement of a fire tender for the Budget Committee's review and recommendation. Administration presented the Potential Operating Adjustments and Draft Tax Rate Review.

In-Camera:

132/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau, at 10:45 a.m., that the meeting go in-camera.

Carried 5-0

Open Session:

133/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau, at 10:55 a.m., that the meeting revert to an open session.

Carried 5-0

Variance Review

Administration presented a report on the Variance Review.

Reeve Savage recessed the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

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Reeve Savage reconvened the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Variance Review (continued)

Councillor Kroetsch left the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Reeve Savage recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Reeve Savage reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Marquette entered the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Draft Consolidated Financial Statements

Tina Viney, Shoemaker, Viney and Friesen presented the draft Consolidated Financial Statement to the Budget Committee.

Councillor Mel Kroetsch entered the meeting at 1:05 p.m.

Reeve Savage recessed the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Reeve Savage reconvened the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Potential Fire Capital Adjustments

134/17 Moved by Councillor Massey that the Budget Committee recommend to County Council that the fire tender be added to the 2017 capital budget for a maximum amount of \$100,000 with financing from reserves.

Carried 4-2

Potential Operating Adjustments

135/17 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Budget Committee recommend to County Council that proposed revenue and expense adjustments totaling a net effect of \$65,700 to the 2017 Operating Budget be approved.

Carried -5-1

2016 Operating Deficit



136/17 Moved by Deputy Reeve Marquette that the Budget Committee recommend to County Council that the 2016 Operating deficit be funded by the unrestricted surplus.

Carried 5-1

Tax Rate

137/17 Moved by Deputy Reeve Marquette that the Budget Committee recommend to County Council that the tax levy for all assessment classes be increased by 2.34%.

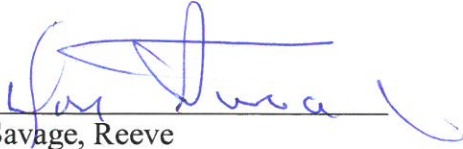
Carried 4-2

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Adjournment

138/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette, at 2:20 p.m., that the meeting adjourn.


Carried 6-0



Don Savage, Reeve



Leo Ludwig, CAO

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