



Committee of the Whole
COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 2, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mike Ford, Andrew Hallikas, Debbie Ewald, Robert Ferguson, Colleen Fadden, Brendan Hyatt, Robert Burns, Bill Langner, James Gibson. Telford Advent, Wade Desserre, Lisa Teeple and Don Canfield (virtual)

STAFF: Dan McCormick and Leanne Gurski

REGRETS:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Debbie Ewald, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m.

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Upon motion made by James Gibson and seconded by Mike Ford, the agenda for February 2, 2023 be approved.

Carried.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

None.

5. IN-CAMERA

None.

6. BUSINESS ARISING

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2023 Budget

The Director of Finance and Asset Management in tandem with the CAO presented the draft 2023 Budget indicating that the increase to the municipal share is 9.96 % however with the use of \$250K in unexpended operating funds the municipal share is reduced to 4.8%, which is below the annual inflation rates for both Province and

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Canada. The budget includes several mandatory onetime expenses including updating of the Housing and Homelessness Plan, updating the Children's Services Plan and CAO recruitment. Another onetime expense is to update the RRDSSAB Strategic Plan which was deferred due to COVID-19 in 2020. The tentatively approved board honorarium and Communications Officer is also included.

The Board was advised that another Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss concerns or changes has been tentatively set for February 9th at 10 am if required. All members were in favour and directed the CAO to bring the draft budget to the next Regular Board Meeting taking place on February 16, 2023 and to cancel the tentative February 9, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting.


8. INFORMATION ITEMS

None.


9. ADJOURN

Upon motion made by Mike Ford and seconded by Brendan Hyatt, the meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Carried.



Chair



CAO

February 16, 2023
Date Approved