

**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Banff in the Province of Alberta
Town Hall Council Chamber
Monday, January 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Karen Sorensen	Mayor
Grant Canning	Councillor
Ted Christensen	Councillor and Acting Mayor
Corrie DiManno	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
Chip Olver	Councillor
Peter Poole	Councillor
Brian Standish	Councillor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Robert Earl	Town Manager
Chris Hughes	Manager, Finance
Randall McKay	Director, Planning and Development
Chad Townsend	Manager, Environmental Services
Adrian Field	Director, Engineering
Darren Enns	Manager, Development Services
Amanda Arbuckle	Manager, Recreation and Culture
Tara Johnston-Lee	Municipal Clerk (Recorder)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the January 8, 2018 budget meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COU18-1 Moved by Councillor Standish that council approve the agenda for the January 8, 2018 budget meeting of council with the following amendment:

- add correspondence from the Banff Seniors Society as item 3.2.

CARRIED

3.0 PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

3.1 Written Submission - Bear Street Family Physicians

Received as information.

3.2 Written Submission - Banff Seniors Society (Mary Buckingham)

Added to the agenda package for this meeting and received as information.

3.3 Verbal Submission - Hugh Pettigrew

Mr. Pettigrew spoke to the operating budget and expressed his concern with the proposed rate of residential taxation. He requested that council direct administration to identify items in the

operating budget that can be deferred or cut so that the residential tax increase is within the Consumer Price Index increase). He suggested that alternately, council should consider adjusting the commercial/residential tax split so that the residential tax rate increase remains within CPI.

3.4 Verbal Submission – Jon Whelan

Mr. Whelan supports an additional handicapped parking stall on Bear Street. He spoke to the operating budget and requested that council consider asking administration to bring forward an alternate budget with a residential tax increase that does not exceed CPI.

3.5 Verbal Submission – Ian Mackie

Mr. Mackie provided that council should give further consideration to the costs of increasing transit services and to increasing planning and development staffing levels.

3.6 Verbal Submission – Darren Reeder – Banff Lake Louise Hospitality Association

Mr. Reeder provided his observation that there may be opportunity for council and administration to better engage the public to attend and provide input during the budget/service review process.

4.0 CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS

The briefing was received as information.

5.0 2018-2027 CAPITAL BUDGET

5.1 2017 Capital Budget Carryforward Schedule

Received as information.

5.2 2018-2027 Previously Approved Capital Projects

COU18-2 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving \$7,000,000 for project T-25-16 for Transit Bus Storage from 2018 to 2020.

**DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour**

COU18-3 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving \$1,000,000 for project T-25-16 for Bus Shelter Installations & Bust Stop Improvements from 2018 to no-year identified.

**DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour**

COU18-4 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving the amounts for project PW-133-14 Bear Street Woornerf in 2018 (\$600,164) and 2019 (\$4,201,150) forward to 2019 and 2020 respectively.

Councillor Poole declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

The debate and vote followed on motion COU18-4: that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving the amounts for project PW-133-14 Bear Street Woornerf in 2018 (\$600,164) and 2019 (\$4,201,150) forward to 2019 and 2020 respectively.

DEFEATED
Christensen in favour

Councillor Poole returned to the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

COU18-5 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving \$353,000 for project PW-137-14 for Legacy Trail – Banff Avenue from 2018 to 2020.

DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour

COU18-6 Moved by Councillor Standish that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving \$70,000 for project GG-92-17 for Community Greenhouse #2 from 2018 to 2019.

DEFEATED
Standish and Poole in favour

COU18-7 Moved by Councillor Standish that council amend the draft 2018-2027 capital budget by moving \$250,000 for project PW-207-17 for Design of Banff Avenue Greenway from 2020 to no-year identified.

DEFEATED
Standish, Christensen and Canning in favour

COU18-8 Moved by Councillor Poole that council amend the draft the 2018-2027 capital budget by removing \$83,000 from project RC-03-14 Banff Recreation Grounds for a horse trail until such time that a cost-sharing agreement is in place with the equestrian commercial operator.

DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour

There was a recess from 12:34 until 2:59 p.m. for council to hold their regular business meeting. Motion numbering continues below from the regular meeting minutes.

5.3 2018-2027 Non-Roadway Project Descriptions
Received as information.

5.4 2018-2027 Roadway Project Descriptions
Received as information.

5.5 2018-2027 Capital Budget Tracker

COU18-15 Moved by Mayor Sorensen that council affirm the 2018-2027 capital budget tracker as presented at the January 8, 2018 budget meeting of council and direct administration to bring back a final draft capital budget for adoption at a future meeting of council.

CARRIED
Poole opposed

6.0 2018-2020 OPERATING BUDGET

6.1 2018-2020 Operating Budget Tracker

- COU18-16 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the proposed 2018-2020 operating budget by removing \$53,333 in 2018 for the 2018 Visitation Experience Communications Partnership.
DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour
- COU18-17 Moved by Councillor Olver that council direct administration to add one handicapped parking stall in the Bear Street parking lot and to remove one handicapped stall from elsewhere.
CARRIED
- COU18-18 Moved by Councillor Olver that council amend the proposed 2018-2020 operating budget and any applicable capital reserve forecasts by adding an 1% overall tax increase to the proposed tax increase to increase the transfer to the general capital reserve by that amount.
DEFEATED
Olver in favour
- COU18-19 Moved by Councillor Olver that council amend the proposed 2018-2020 operating budget and any applicable capital reserve forecasts by adding an 0.5% overall tax increase to the proposed tax increase to increase the transfer to the general capital reserve by that amount.
DEFEATED
Olver in favour
- COU18-20 Moved by Councillor Christensen that council amend the proposed 2018-2020 operating budget by moving the amounts for the extension of increased frequency on Banff local route #1 Banff local route #2 to start in 2020.
DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour
- COU18-21 Moved by Councillor Poole that council amend the proposed 2018-2020 operating budget by removing \$80,000 allocated to increased long range and strategic planning.
DEFEATED
Christensen and Poole in favour
- COU18-22 Moved by Councillor Olver council affirm the 2018-2020 operating budget tracker as presented at the January 8, 2018 budget meeting of council and direct administration to bring back a final draft operating budget for adoption at a future meeting of council.
CARRIED
Christensen and Poole opposed

7.0 PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

7.1 Verbal Submission – Hugh Pettigrew

Mr. Pettigrew requested that council give further consideration to amending the commercial/residential mill rate split to reduce the residential tax rate increase.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

COU18-23 Moved by Councillor Standish that council adjourn the January 8, 2018 regular meeting of council at 4:50 p.m.

CARRIED

On original
Karen Sorensen
Mayor

On original
Tara Johnston-Lee
Municipal Clerk