

**TOWN OF LUMSDEN**  
**MINUTES OF THE GROUP II COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING**  
**HELD ON FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

The Group II Committee convened their budget meeting at the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office in Lumsden, on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 10:09 a.m.

**Present:** Chairperson: Verne Barber  
Mayor: Bryan Matheson  
Councillor: Jane Cogger  
Chief Administrator  
Officer: Darcie Cooper  
Finance Officer: Sheena Carrick  
Public Works Foreman: Jeff Carey

**Absent:** Councillor: Rhonda Phillips  
Utilities Foreman: Dave Cherney

**Agenda:**

Matheson/Cogger: "That we adopt the agenda as presented."

**CARRIED**

Finance Officer, Sheena Carrick provided the Committee with a written report regarding a summary of the municipality's departmental changes and recommendations.

The Committee discussed the following items:

- James Street Bridge – Discussed contacting Ministry of Highways or Water Security Agency to see if there are some cost share options available to us for future costs for the bridge, including the proposed study for this year.
- Administration to check into any available funding for wages for Papin Mukendi.
- Jeff Carey will check with Ritchie Bros. regarding prices for equipment that we have for sale or trade ins.
- We need to include the paving for the alley and parking area on the East side of Centennial Hall at an estimated cost of \$29,000 in the 2017 budget. Discussion around costing out the parking area to the parks and recreation department.
- Crosswalks were discussed. To purchase a heat tool required for the more "permanent" type crosswalks would be \$2,700.00. We could contract the company to put down the crosswalks for the cost of labour. The Committee discussed about either purchasing the machine and trying a few crosswalks or contracting the company for a day to do a few crosswalks to see how they hold up through the winter.
- The cemetery maintenance and the purchase of the columbarium was discussed.
- Dave would like to add lights for the lift station at a cost of \$4,300 into the budget.
- The Committee discussed accelerating the hydrant and valve replacement program.
- Consider adding an inflationary factor into our reserve transfers.
- The group discussed waiting to adopt the budget until the provinces' budget has been adopted and we understand what impact the provinces' budget will have on our revenues.
- The Committee discussed a solid waste management reserve to include a small contribution for the future landfill decommissioning some 50+ years in the future.
- The Committee agreed to move the purchase of the 5 Ton Truck to 2018 and increase it from \$110,000 to \$150,000.

**Adjournment:**

Cogger/Matheson: "That we adjourn this meeting at 11:57 a.m."

**CARRIED**

  
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**Chairperson**

  
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**Chief Administrative Officer**