

TOWN OF LUMSDEN
MINUTES OF THE GROUP I COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 18, 2014

The Group I Committee convened their budget meeting in the Municipal Office in Lumsden, on the evening of Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. with Mayor Matheson presiding.

Present: Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
Councillors:	Reggie Newkirk, Wes Holobetz, Jane Cogger
Chief Administrative Officer:	Darcie Cooper
Finance Officer:	Sheena Carrick
Community Coordinator:	Chris Exner (left at 6:15 p.m.)

The committee reviewed the Group I departmental operating budget for 2014 and the five year capital plan as revised by the Department Managers.

CAO, Darcie Cooper provided the Committee with a written report regarding a summary of the municipality's long term debt, debt capacity and the funding of capital projects, as well as some General Government budget proposed expenditures.

Capital Budget Discussion:

Finance Officer, Sheena Carrick presented the 5 year capital plan as proposed by the department managers.

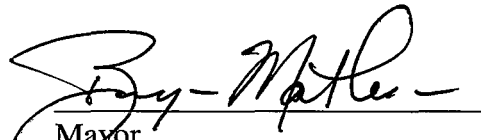
General Discussion:


The Committee discussed the following items:

- Need for skateboarding equipment, perhaps adding a piece or two of equipment to the outdoor rink. Moved up the purchase of some equipment to the 2014 year and an addition to the capital plan of \$5,000 for 4 years.
- Addition of visa/mc to be accepted for campground fees
- Addition of sound system to the council chambers to be shared with the R.M. of Lumsden
- New Christmas street lighting – increased capital budget from 800 to 2,500
- Removal of the water fountain in 7th avenue park as opposed to replacement
- Discussed the fire truck purchase proposed for 2016, committee wondered about the usage of the fire trucks and which is the proper response unit to have in comparison to utilization and necessity.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.


 Mayor


 Chief Administrative Officer