

**CITY OF MELFORT  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
January 21, 2019**

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Monday, January 21, 2019, in the City Hall Council Chambers, Melfort, Saskatchewan, commencing at 12:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** COUNCIL: Councillor Hoenmans, Deputy-Mayor; Mayor Lang and Councillors Phillips, Terry, Benson, George and Mitchell.

STAFF: R. Danberg, City Manager; S. Peterson, City Treasurer; G. Gilmore, Director of Works & Utilities and H. Audette, City Clerk.

Deputy Mayor Hoenmans called the meeting to order and turned it over to the Treasurer.

**2019 OPERATIONAL BUDGET**

The Treasurer reviewed the preliminary 2019 Operational Budget, detailed in the Administrative memo dated January 22, 2019.

**General Operational & Additional Requests** – Beginning Deficit \$118,603 – 1.98%

- a) During the next union bargaining session, it was suggested the City look at implementing a 'field hours' approach in order to reduce overtime.
- b) The Treasurer will be reviewing the PA procurement agreement with the Finance Committee.
- c) Additional Requests:
  - i) RCMP Steno Reclass – \$14,280.00 - defer to 2020
  - ii) Hose Tester – Approved - \$2,500 - .04%
  - iii) Promotion of Additional Captain – Approved - \$750 - .01%
  - iv) 2 Additional Fire Members – Approved - \$3,500 - .06%
  - v) Seasonal Patching Position - \$19,796.00 – rather than funding this as a budgeted position, Administration is to review the City's financial position after the first quarter to determine whether it may be funded from surplus.
  - vi) Museum Request - \$5,500.00 – Although this request was denied, the City's Museum representative is to suggested that the Museum approach other participating municipalities for support.
- d) 2019 Projected Budget Deficit - \$125,353.00 – 2.09%

The City Treasurer will develop budget balancing options to bring forward at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled on Monday, January 28, 2019, at 12:00 noon.

**Utility Services**

**Waste Collection**

The Director reported that between Greenland Waste and Plus Industries, over 352 tonnes of recycling material was diverted from the landfill in 2018.

**Wellness Centre**

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk