## TOWN OF TROCHU FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### To the Members of Council:

Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Town of Trochu, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015 and the statement of operations, change in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Trochu as at December 31, 2015, the results of its operations, change in its net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

HANNA, ALBERTA FEBRUARY 18, 2016 ŢŊŊ*ŊŊ*V(*)*( CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

	201	5	2014 (Restated)
FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2) Receivables	\$ 842,04	7 \$	944,714
Taxes and grants in place of taxes (Note 3)	129,36	8	198,256
Trade and other receivables	255,34	3	346,487
Receivables from other governments	390,63	5	77,906
Land inventory held for resale	1,342,39	0	812,305
Investments (Note 4)	1	<u> </u>	<u>10</u>
	2,959,79	<u>3</u> _	2,379,678
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	119,42	0	145,112
Deposit liabilities (Note 5)	7,82		9,224
Deferred revenue (Note 6)	544,50	1	732,746
Employee benefit obligations (Note 7)	31,89	3	25,009
Long-term debt (Note 8)	1,297,56	<u>6</u> _	707,239
	2,001,20	4 _	1,619,330
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	958,58	<u>9</u> _	760,348
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Tangible capital assets	7,610,31	9	7,547,837
Prepaid expenses	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<u> 1</u>	536
	7,610,39	<u> </u>	7,548,373
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	\$ <u>8,568,97</u>	<u>9</u> \$	8,308,721
	CONTINGENO	IES (S	SEE NOTE 14)

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Budget (Unaudited)		2015		2014 (Restated)
REVENUE						
Net municipal taxes (Schedule 2) User fees and sale of goods Government transfers for operating (Schedule 3) Investment income Penalties and costs on taxes Licenses and permits Franchise and concession contracts Insurance proceeds Gain on disposal of capital assets Other	\$	1,040,850 1,038,700 307,181 7,060 57,500 300 90,000 2,000 123,400	\$	1,035,308 986,449 376,752 7,662 60,041 900 78,043	\$	980,713 938,606 259,809 8,999 58,312 645 74,944 7,336 24,017 175,048
Total Revenue	_	2,666,991		2,701,380	_	2,528,429
EXPENSES	_					
Legislative Administration Protective services Transportation Water supply and distribution Wastewater treatment and disposal Waste management Family and community support Land use planning, zoning and development Subdivision land and development Parks and recreation Culture	_	94,450 480,929 68,473 328,499 576,926 81,800 161,559 32,600 129,696 46,600 305,276 186,301		89,023 407,187 67,324 490,038 583,395 94,108 156,363 215,738 329,323 50,968 309,108 166,487		86,708 416,269 48,390 479,031 568,666 106,319 155,816 181,685 126,327 73,001 337,832 199,718
Total Expenses	_	2,493,109		2,959,062		2,779,762
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES - BEFORE OTHER  Government transfers for capital (Schedule 3) Contributed and donated assets		173,882		(257,682) 458,001		(251,333) 72,633 25,000
Capital donations and other capital revenue	_		_	<u>59,939</u>		38,356
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES		173,882		260,258		(115,344)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	8,308,721		8,308,721		8,424,06 <u>5</u>
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$ <u></u>	8,482,603	\$	8,568,979	\$	8,308,721

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Budget (Unaudited)	2015	2014 (Restated)
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ <u>173,882</u>	\$ <u>260,258</u>	\$ <u>(115,344</u> )
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets (Gain) loss on sale of tangible capital assets		(582,155) 147,176 369,515 2,981	(338,659) 65,005 352,788 (24,017)
		(62,483)	55,117
Change in prepaid expenses	Milleren	<u>465</u>	457
DECREASE IN NET DEBT	173,882	198,240	(59,770)
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	760,349	760,349	820,119
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ <u>934,231</u>	\$ <u>958,589</u>	\$

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

2014

2015

(Restated) **NET INFLOW(OUTFLOWS) OF CASH RELATED TO** THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES: **OPERATING** 260,258 \$ (115,344)Excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenses Non-cash items included in excess(shortfall) of revenues over expenses: Amortization on tangible capital assets 369,515 352,788 (24,017)2,981 Gain(loss) on sale of tangible capital assets 213,427 632,754 Changes in net financial asset(debt) items: Decrease(increase) in taxes and grants in place of taxes receivables 68.888 (48.504)91,144 (70,042)Decrease(increase) in trade and other receivables (312,729)33,151 Decrease(increase) in receivables from other governments 457 465 Decrease(increase) in prepaid expenses 11.079 (530,085)Decrease(increase) in land held for resale (25,690)Increase(decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities (108,003)(1,400)1,200 Increase(decrease) in deposit liabilities Increase(decrease) in deferred revenue 203,166 (188, 245)(9,326)6,884 Increase(decrease) in employee benefit obligations (258,014)226,605 Cash provided by (applied to) operating transactions CAPITAL (582, 155)(338,659)Acquisition of tangible capital assets 147,176 65,005 Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets (434.979)(273,654)Cash provided by (applied to) capital transactions **FINANCING** 744,337 Proceeds from loans (96,720)(154,011)Long term debt repaid 590,326 (96.720)Cash provided by (applied to) financing transactions (143,769)(102,667)CHANGE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS DURING THE YEAR 1,088,483 944,714 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR 842,047 944,714 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR Cash and cash equivalents is made up of: 944,714 842.047 Cash and temporary investments (Note 2) 842,047 944,714 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR

# SCHEDULE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Land	lm pr	Land Improvements	Ω	Buildings	Engineered Structures	Machinery & Equipment	k Vehicles	s <u>e</u>	2015	2014
COST: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	↔	200,420	↔	231,293	υ	1,101,705	\$ 12,148,313	\$ 922,572	₩	480,096	\$ 15,084,399	\$ 14,993,618
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Construction-in-progress Disposal of tangible capital assets					į	117,941	145,512 57,021	. 223,110		38,570	525,133 57,021 (167,758)	312,430 26,229 (247,878)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR		200,420		231,293	l	<u>1,219,646</u>	12,350,846	977,924		518,666	15,498,795	15,084,399
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR				153,858		782,368	6,002,708	400,745		196,883	7,536,562	7,390,664
Annual amortization Accumulated amortization on disposals	l			6,021	ı	28,683	230,074	60,423		44,314	369,515 (17,601)	352,788 (206,890)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	ı			159,879	ı	811,051	6.232,782	443,567		241,197	7,888,476	7,536,562
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	<del>S</del>	\$ 200,420 \$	₩	71,414	<b>⇔</b>	\$ 408,595	\$ 6,118,064	\$ 534,357	σ	277,469	\$ 7.610,319	\$ 7,547,837

### SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### Schedule 2

	Budget (Unaudited)	2015	2014
TAXATION			
Real property taxes Linear property taxes Government grants in place of taxes	\$ 1,226,054 41,096 8,543 1,275,693	\$ 1,212,856 47,434 9,861 1,270,151	\$ 1,166,178 45,755 9,375 1,221,308
REQUISITIONS			
Alberta School Foundation Fund Golden Hills Lodge	233,417 1,426 234,843	233,417 1,426 234,843	239,582 1,013 240,595
NET MUNICIPAL TAXES	\$ <u>1,040,850</u>	\$ <u>1,035,308</u>	\$980,713

#### SCHEDULE OF GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	(Un	Budget audited)	2015	2014 (Restated)
TRANSFERS FOR OPERATING				
Provincial government Federal government	\$	132,181 \$	69,278	\$ 84,038 2,682
Local governments		175,000 307,181	307,474 376,752	173,089 259,809
TRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL				
Provincial government Federal government			343,546 114,4 <u>55</u>	72,633
			<u>458,001</u>	72,633
TOTAL GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS	\$3	<u>307,181</u> \$	834,753	332,442

#### SCHEDULE OF CONSOLIDATED EXPENSES BY OBJECT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Budget (Unaudited)		2015	2014
CONSOLIDATED EXPENSES BY OBJECT					
Salaries, wages and benefits Contracted and general services Materials, goods, supplies and utilities Provision for allowances Transfers to individuals and organizations Bank charges and short term interest	\$	1,008,880 857,855 498,173 2,500 47,000 3,000	\$	913,402 947,093 409,063 3,446 47,660 3,670	\$ 867,286 973,018 491,214 169 55,359 2,728
Interest on long term debt Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets Other expenses	 \$_	39,901 35,800 2,493,109	\$ <u></u>	31,109 369,515 4,731 229,373 2,959,062	\$ 24,111 352,788 13,089 2,779,762

## SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Unrestricted Surplus	Restricted Surplus	Equity in Tangible Capital Assets	2015	2014 (Restated)
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	8	636,665 \$	831,458	\$ 6,840,598	6.840.598 \$ <u>8,308,721</u> \$ <u>8,424,065</u>	\$ 8,424,065
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses (Intestricted finds designated for future use		260,258	22 000		260,258	(115,344)
Restricted funds used for tangible capital assets		(500,500)	(62,898)	62.898		
Current year funds used for tangible capital assets		(349,920)		349,920		
Disposal of tangible capital assets		150,157		(150,157)		
Annual amortization expense		369,515		(369,515)		
Long term debt repaid		(148,160)		148,160		
Change in accumulated surplus		259,850	(40,898)	41.306	260,258	(115,344)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<b>₩</b>	896,515 \$	790,560	\$ 6.881,904	\$ 8,568,979	\$ 8,308,721

#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements of the Town of Trochu are the representations of management prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. Significant aspects of the accounting polices adopted by the Town are as follows:

#### a) Reporting Entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures, changes in fund balances and change in financial position of the reporting entity. This entity is comprised of the municipal operations plus all of the organizations that are owned or controlled by the Town and are, therefore, accountable to the Town council for the administration of their financial affairs and resources.

The schedule of taxes levied also includes requisitions for education, health, social and other external organizations that are not part of the municipal reporting entity.

The statements exclude trust assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties. Interdepartmental and organizational transactions and balances are eliminated.

#### b) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting records revenue as it is earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the legal obligation to pay.

Funds from external parties and earnings thereon restricted by agreement or legislation are accounted for as deferred revenue until used for the purpose specified.

Government transfers, contributions and other amounts are received from third parties pursuant to legislation, regulation or agreement and may only be used for certain programs, in the completion of specific work, or for the purchase of tangible capital assets. In addition, certain user charges and fees are collected for which the related services have yet to be performed. Revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services performed or the tangible capital assets are acquired.

#### c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditure during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### d) Investments

Investments are recorded at amortized cost. Investment premiums and discounts are amortized on the net present value basis over the term of the respective investments. When there has been a loss in value that is other than a temporary decline, the respective investment is written down to recognize the loss.

#### 1.. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### e) Requisition Over-levy and Under-levy

Over-levies and under-levies arise from the difference between the actual property tax levy made to cover each requisition and the actual amount requisitioned.

If the actual levy exceeds the requisition, the over-levy is accrued as a liability and property tax revenue is reduced. Where the actual levy is less than the requisition amount, the under-levy is accrued as a receivable and as property tax revenue.

Requisition tax rates in the subsequent year are adjusted for any over-levies or under-levies of the prior year.

#### f) Inventories for Resale

Land held for resale is recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost includes costs for land acquisition and improvements required to prepare the land for servicing such as clearing, stripping and levelling charges. Related development costs incurred to provide infrastructure such as water and wastewater services, roads, sidewalks and street lighting are recorded as tangible capital assets under the respective function.

#### g) Prepaid Local Improvement Charges

Construction and borrowing costs associated with local improvement projects are recovered through annual special assessments during the period of the related borrowings. These levies are collectable from property owners for work performed by the municipality.

Where a taxpayer has elected to prepay the outstanding local improvement charges, such amounts are recorded as deferred revenue. Deferred revenue is amortized to revenue on a straight line basis over the remaining term of the related borrowings.

In the event that the prepaid amounts are applied against the related borrowings, the deferred revenue is amortized to revenue by an amount equal to the debt repayment.

#### h) Government Transfers

Government transfers are the transfer of assets from senior levels of government that are not the result of an exchange transaction, are not expected to be repaid in the future, or the result of a direct financial return.

Government transfers are recognized in the financial statements as revenue in the period in which events giving rise to the transfer occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met, and reasonable estimates of the amounts can be determined.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2015**

#### i) Non-Financial Assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the normal course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the consolidated Change in Net Financial Assets (Debt) for the year.

#### i. Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life as follows:

	TEARS
Land improvements	10 to 45
Buildings	25 to 50
Engineering structures	
Water system	45 to 75
Wastewater system	45 to 75
Other engineered structures	5 to 75
Machinery and equipment	5 to 40
Vehicles	10 to 40

One-half of the annual amortization is charged in the year of acquisition. Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

#### ii. Contributions of Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue.

#### iii. Leases

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

#### iv. Inventories

Inventories held for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost and replacement cost.

	CASH AND TEMPORAR	KY INVESTI	AILIAIO								
						_		2015	_		2014
	Cash					\$	8	<u>42,047</u>	\$	94	<u>4,714</u>
	The ATB Financial pays deposits of more then \$7										2% on
	Of the cash, \$544,501 (xuse as it relates to condition of yet been expended for	tional govern	nment g	grant re	dered restri venue and	icted ca other c	ash ar condition	id not a onal cor	ıvailal ıtribul	ole for g tions tha	jeneral at have
	The Town has two revolution As of December 31, 2019				3 Financial	totaling	\$500	,000, in	teres	t at prim	e rate.
										·	
3.	TAXES AND GRANTS II	N PLACE O	F TAXE	S REC	EIVABLE						
2015 2014											
								2013			2014
	Current taxes and grants	in place rec	ceivable	s		\$		64,359	\$		8,604
	Current taxes and grants Arrears taxes	in place rec	ceivable	es		\$		64,359 79,740	\$	11	8,604 4,383
		·		es		\$	1.	64,359	\$ 	<u>11</u> 21	8,604
	Arrears taxes	·		es		\$  \$	1,	64,359 79,740 44,099	\$  \$	11 21 (1	8,604 <u>4,383</u> 2,987
	Arrears taxes  Less: allowance for doub	·		es		\$  \$	1,	64,359 7 <u>9,740</u> 44,099 14,731)	\$  \$	11 21 (1	8,604 <u>4,383</u> 2,987 <u>4,731</u> )
1.	Arrears taxes	·	s			\$  \$	1,	64,359 79,740 44,099 14,731) 29,368	\$	11 21 (1	8,604 <u>4,383</u> 2,987 <u>4,731</u> )
4.	Arrears taxes  Less: allowance for doub	·	s	es 915	Market Value	\$	1,	64,359 79,740 44,099 14,731) 29,368	\$ \$ D14	11 21 (1 19	8,604 <u>4,383</u> 2,987 <u>4,731</u> )

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2015**

#### 6. DEFERRED REVENUE

	2015		2014 As restated
Alberta Municipal Sustainability Initiative Program	\$ 505,790	- \$	521,461
Federal Gas Tax Fund			58,258
Walking Trails Project - Donations	18,381		53,320
Fire Department - Donation	8,886		8,886
Donations - Ace Project	4,900		4,900
TD Friends of the Environment - Spray Park Project	3,973		3,973
Choose Well Program Grant	1,916		1,916
TD Friends of the Environment - Tree Replacement Project	655		655
Donations - School Resource Officer		_	79,377
	\$ 544,501	\$_	732,746

#### Alberta Municipal Sustainability Initiative

Provincial government funding was received in the current year to undertake certain eligible infrastructure expenditures within the Town and in co-operation with neighbouring municipalities, that have not yet been expended.

#### **Walking Trails - Donations**

The Town received certain donations and contributions from community members and organizations to construct walking trails throughout the community.

#### Fire Department - Donation

The Town received a contribution of funds to be used for future fire department equipment replacements.

#### 7. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

	_	2015	_	2014
Vacation pay payable	\$	6,645	\$	5,133
Vested sick leave payable Banked time payable		24,430 <u>818</u>		19,876
	\$	31,893	\$	25,009

#### Vacation pay payable

The vacation and overtime liability is comprised of the vacation and overtime that employees are deferring to future years. Employees have either earned the benefits (and are vested) or are entitled to these benefits within the next budgetary year.

#### Vested sick leave payable

The vested sick leave liability is comprised of paid sick days that employees have not used and are being deferred to future years.

#### 8. LONG TERM DEBT

		2014		
Tax supported debentures Tax supported loans	\$	14,951 1,282,615	\$_	29,072 678,167
	\$_	1,297,566	\$_	707,239

The current portion of the long-term debt amounts to \$143,764 (2014 - \$98,127)

Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

		Principal Principal		Interest		Total_
2016	\$	143,764	\$	40,055	\$	183,819
2017	·	131,239	•	33,955	·	165,194
2018		117,388		30,213		147,601
2019		94,201		27,125		121,326
2020		94,615		24,423		119,038
Thereafter	*********	716,359		252,924		969,283
	\$	1,297,566	\$	408,695	\$	1,706,261

Debenture debt is repayable to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at rates of 3.127% and 5.875% per annum and matures in September 2016 and June 2015. Debenture debt is issued on the credit and security of the Town of Trochu at large.

The ATB Financial municipal business loans are due on demand, bear interest at bank prime rate and are repayable in annual principal payments of \$7,000, \$8,055, \$16,000, \$18,812 and \$50,000 plus monthly interest payments as well as blended monthly payments of \$1,650.

Interest on long-term debt amounted to \$31,109 (2014 - \$24,111).

#### 9. DEBT LIMITS

Section 276(2) of the Municipal Government Act requires that debt and debt limits as defined by Alberta Regulation 255/00 for the Town of Trochu be disclosed as follows:

		2015	****	2014		
Total debt limit Total debt	\$	4,052,070 1,297,566	\$	3,792,644 707,239		
Amount of debit limit unused	\$ <u></u>	2,754,504	\$	3,085,405		
Debt servicing limit Debt servicing	\$	675,345 183,818	\$	632,107 118,928		
Amount of debt servicing limit unused	\$	491,527	\$	513,179		

The debt limit is calculated at 1.5 times revenue of the municipality (as defined in Alberta Regulation 255/00) and the debt service limit is calculated at 0.25 times such revenue. Incurring debt beyond these limitations requires approval by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. These thresholds are guidelines used by Alberta Municipal Affairs to identify municipalities that could be at financial risk if further debt is acquired. The calculation taken alone does not represent the financial stability of the municipality. Rather, the financial statements must be interpreted as a whole.

#### **10.EQUITY IN TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS**

	. –	<u> 2015</u>		2014
Tangible capital assets Accumulated amortization Long-term debt (Note 8)	\$	15,498,795 (7,888,476) (728,415)	\$	15,084,399 (7,536,562) (707,239)
	\$	6,881,904	\$_	6,840,598

	 2015	_	2014
Unrestricted surplus	\$ 896,515	\$	636,665
Restricted surplus:			
General	510,336		510,336
Dr. Hay memorial fund	100,000		100,000
Administrative	2,498		12,400
Recognition and appreciation	5,275		5,275
Fire	73,340		73,340
Water	29,004		77,000
Wastewater	16,726		16,726
Waste management	17,000		
Subdivision land and development	16,446		16,446
Administrative salaries	19,935		19,935
Equity in tangible capital assets	 6,881,904		6,840,598
	\$ 8,568,979	\$	8,308,721

#### **12.SALARY AND BENEFITS**

Disclosure of salaries and benefits for municipal officials, the chief administrative officer and designated officers as required by Alberta Regulation 313/2000 is as follows:

	2015				2014	
		Salary		Benefits & allowances	Total	Total
Councillors:						
Councillor Cunningham	\$	8,060	\$	103	\$ 8,163	\$ 9,499
Councillor Garneau		7,410		88	7,498	9,771
Councillor Kletke		12,740		250	12,990	12,383
Councillor Lumley		9,410		138	9,548	9,243
Councillor Reeds		7,360		81	7,441	7,111
Councillor Stephan		4,660		9	4,669	5,732
Councillor Warnock		11,285		206	11,491	10,303
Chief Administrative Officer		90,000		19,135	109,135	112,671

<sup>1.</sup> Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime, lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.

<sup>2.</sup> Employer's share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of employees including pension, health care, dental coverage, vision coverage, group life insurance, accidental disability and dismemberment insurance, long and short-term disability plans, professional memberships and tuition.

#### 13.LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN

Employees of the Town participate in the Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP), which is one of the plans covered by the Public Sector Pension Plans Act. The LAPP is financed by employer and employee contributions and by investment earnings of the LAPP Fund.

Contributions for current service are recorded as expenditures in the year in which they become due.

The Town is required to make current service contributions to the LAPP of 11.39% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 15.84% on pensionable earnings above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the Town to the LAPP in 2015 were \$64,288 (2014 - \$61,006). Total current service contributions by the employees of the Town to the Local Authorities Pension Plan in 2015 were \$58,894 (2014 - \$55,837).

At December 31, 2014, the LAPP disclosed an actuarial deficiency of \$2.45 billion.

#### 14. CONTINGENCIES

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The Town is a member of the Alberta Local Authorities Reciprocal Insurance Exchange (MUNIX). Under the terms of membership, the Town could become liable for its proportionate share of any claim losses in excess of the funds held by the exchange. Any liability incurred would be accounted for as a current transaction in the year the losses are determined.

#### **15.FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Town's financial instruments consist of cash and temporary investments, accounts receivable, investments, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, deposit liabilities, and long-term debt. It is management's opinion that the Town is not exposed to significant interest or currency risks arising from these financial instruments.

The Town is subject to credit risk with respect to taxes and grants in place of taxes receivables and trade and other receivables. Credit risk arises from the possibility that taxpayers and entities to which the Town provides services may experience financial difficulty and be unable to fulfill their obligations. The large number and diversity of taxpayers and customers minimizes the credit risk.

Unless otherwise noted, the carrying value of the financial instrument approximates fair value.

#### 16.PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

During the year it was determined that an amendment was required to the Town's provincial grant funding reporting. As a result of the change deferred revenue decreased by \$113,830, provincial government grant revenue decreased by \$17,000 and accumulated surplus increased by \$130,830.

#### 17. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation adopted for the current year.

#### **18.APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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Council and management have approved these financial statements.