

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - BUDGET**

A Committee of the Whole meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon was held on Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the 2015 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets.

Mayor D. White (arrived at 4:50 p.m.), Deputy Mayor J. Elliott, Councillor D. Besley (arrived at 4:40 p.m.), Councillor W. Hannon and Councillor J. Webster were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk and Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk and Craig Micks, Road Superintendent (arrived at 4:30 p.m.) were also present. Deputy Mayor Elliott presided as Chair and called the meeting to order.

Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer presented the 2015 Draft Budget for Operating and Capital and indicated there is a 52% increase over 2014's budget. Discussion ensued regarding the monies in Reserve Funds and whether we should be spending all of the monies because the Township's grant applications are being denied because we have money in Reserve Funds. Discussion about Development Charges and what these monies can be used for. The Capital Asset Plan was also discussed. Wendy also discussed the Federal Gas Tax program with Council and advised that the Township received \$25,000 from the OCIF program which needs to be reported by March 31<sup>st</sup> on what the Township is going to be using the money for. The budget was reviewed line by line for the most part and some changes were made to it. Craig has included the replacement of two large structures but was advised to put the one in with more priority as per the Asset Management Plan. Discussion about a new plow truck and pickup truck. The plow truck has to be ordered a year in advance. Craig would also like to purchase two packers to run behind the grader. This will hopefully help save on gravel costs from year to year. There was a question about the GPS system and whether it could give the number of times a road had been graded in the year. Staff will look into this.

For the next meeting, the Treasurer was asked to make the changes from today's meeting, include the actual figures for 2014 and to give an estimated surplus amount to work with.

5:05 p.m. - Meeting adjourned.

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CHAIR

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