Financial Statements

December 31, 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Mayor and Council of the Town of Picture Butte

Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Town of Picture Butte, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2014 and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the period 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 the consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 auditors consider 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 Picture Butte as at December 31, 2014, the results of its operations, change in its net financial assets and its cash flows for the period then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Lethbridge, Alberta April 22, 2015

Chartered Accountants

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at December 31, 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$
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FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2) Receivables	1,939,117	1,939,108
Taxes and grants in place of taxes (Note 3)	70,528	88,997
Trade and other	430,120	655,182
Land and property held for resale	217,553	
Investments (Note 4)	644,164	431,870
	3,301,482	3,115,157
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	138,809	135,192
Deferred revenue (Note 6)	179,652	431,852
Long-term debt (Note 7)	1,187,623	1,345,639
	1,506,084	1,912,683
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	1,795,398	1,202,474
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	23,054,473	23,404,006
Inventory for consumption	12,463	12,462
Prepaid expenses and deposits	14,753	14,381
	23,081,689	21
ACCUMULATED CURRING (C. L.		23,430,849
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Schedule 1 and Note 10)	24,877,087	24,633,323
CONTINGENCIES (Note 14)		
CONTINUENCIES (Note 14)		
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Approved on behalf of Council:		0.
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Consolidated Statement of Operations For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

e e e e	Budget (Unaudited)	2014	2013
-	\$	\$	\$
REVENUE		10	
Net municipal property taxes (Schedule 3)	1,077,208	1,134,316	1,049,565
User fees and sales of goods	1,686,225	1,649,058	1,563,509
Government transfers (Schedule 4)	290,143	285,533	133,551
Investment income	15,000	38,795	30,510
Penalties and costs of taxes	49,800	48,617	57,922
Franchise and concession contracts	97,000	126,598	106,995
Licenses, permits and fines	28,200	22,192	30,356
	3,243,576	3,305,109	2,972,408
EXPENSES (Schedule 5)			
Legislative	78,700	73,461	85,631
Administration	515,475	463,516	390,056
Police, fire, ambulance and bylaw enforcement	446,050	384,960	339,998
Roads, streets, walks, lighting	444,350	370,668	401,744
Water, wastewater and waste management	795,127	736,511	765,761
Land use planning, zoning and development	141,700	34,390	49,747
Parks and recreation	468,400	402,789	444,607
Community services	99,774	159,256	141,480
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	8	8,297	14,200
Amortization	922,604	922,604	921,851
	3,912,180	3,556,452	3,555,075
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER			
EXPENSES BEFORE OTHER	(668,604)	(251,343)	(582,667)
OTHER			
Government transfers for capital (Schedule 4)	280,000	495,107	733,156
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(388,604)	243,764	150,489
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	24,633,323	24,633,323	24,482,834
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	24,244,719	24,877,087	24,633,323



Consolidated Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets (Debt) For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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	(Unaudited) \$	\$	\$
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF			17
REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(388,604)	243,764	150,489
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	(346,500) - 922,604 576,104	(657,250) 75,882 922,604 	(864,938) - 921,851 14,200 71,113
Acquisition of prepaid assets (Acquisition) use of supplies inventory	-	(372)	(3,685)
INCREASE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	187,500	(373) 592,924	1,455 223,057
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,202,474	1,202,474	979,417
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	1,389,974	1,795,398	1,202,474



Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$
NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED	11	
TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:		
OPER ARING		
OPERATING Every of revenues over averages		
Excess of revenues over expenses Non-cash items included in excess of revenues over expenses	243,764	150,489
Amortization of tangible capital assets	922,604	001.001
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	8,297	921,851
Non-cash charges to operations (net changes)	0,297	14,200
Decrease in taxes and grants in lieu receivable	18,469	12,856
Decrease (increase) in trade and other receivables	225,062	(209,911)
(Increase) in land and property held for resale	(217,553)	-
(Increase) decrease in inventory for consumption	(1)	5,140
(Increase) in prepaid expenses and deposits	(372)	(3,685)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,617	(103,125)
Decrease in deferred revenue	(252,200)	(36,616)
	951,687	751,199
CAPITAL		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(657,250)	(864,938)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	75,882	(804,238)
5 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(581,368)	(864,938)
	(381,308)	(804,938)
FINANCING		
Long-term debt repaid	(158,016)	(152,269)
INVESTING		
	2	
(Increase) in investments	(212,294)	(6,279)
CHANGE IN CASH AND TEMPORARY		
INVESTMENTS DURING THE YEAR	9	(272,287)
CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,939,108	2,211,395
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CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, END OF YEAR (Note 2)	1,939,117	1,939,108



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Changes in Accumulated Surplus For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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	Unrestricted Surplus \$	Restricted Surplus \$	Equity in Tangible Capital Assets \$	2014	2013	
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	757,655	1,817,301	22,058,367	24,633,323	24,482,834	
Excess of revenues over expenses	243,764	1	T	243,764	150,489	
Unrestricted funds designated for future use	48,119	(48,119)	ř	r	ř	
Restricted funds used for operations	10,000	(10,000)	ĩ	į	ĵ	
Current year funds used for tangible capital assets	(657,250)	ľ	657,250	1	100 m	
Disposal of tangible capital assets	84,179	ſ	(84,179)	i.	i	
Annual amortization expense	922,604	-1	(922,604)	3	1	
Long-term debt repaid	(158,016)	ı	158,016	,	t	
Change in accumulated surplus	493,400	(58,119)	(191,517)	243,764	150,489	
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1,251,055	1,759,182	21,866,850	24,877,087	24,633,323	



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014	, 2014						SCHEDULE 2	ULE 2
	Land \$	Land Improvements \$	Buildings \$	Engineered Structures \$	Machinery & Equipment \$	Vehicles \$	2014	2013
COST: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	383,922	527,658	12,096,810	22,099,980	623,289	643,672	36,375,331	35,778,488
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Disposal of tangible capital assets Construction in progress	(75,882)	r a 1	127,443 (23,047) 32,500	216,754	150,349	130,204	624,750 (98,929) 32,500	707,455 (268,095) 157,48 <u>3</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	308,040	527.658	12,233,706	22,316,734	773,638	773,876	36,933,652	36,375,331
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	ron:	145,341	4,129,852	7,914,803	325,584	455,745	12,971,325	12,303,369
Annual amortization Accumulated amortization on disposals		23,902	269,503 (14,75 <u>0</u>)	503,358	75,546	50,295	922,604 (14,750)	921,851 (253,895)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1	169,243	4,384,605	8,418,161	401,130	506,040	13,879,179	12,971,325
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	308,040	358,415	7,849,101	13,898,573	372,508	267,836	23,054,473	23,404,006
2013 NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	383,922	382,317	7,966,958	14,185.177	297.705	187.927	23,404,006	V



Schedule of Property Taxes Levied For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

IN A CARDINAL PROPERTY OF THE	EMPTANCE SERVICE CONTRACTOR			
	**************************************	Budget (Unaudited) \$	2014 \$	2013
TAXATION				H O 22
Real property taxes		1,495,429	1,552,537	1,480,804
REQUISITIONS				
Alberta School Foundation Fund Separate school Seniors foundation		329,632 69,610 18,979	329,632 69,610 18,979	340,912 71,942 18,385
		418,221	418,221	431,239
NET MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAXES		1,077,208	1,134,316	1,049,565



Schedule of Government Transfers For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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	a A	Budget (Unaudited) \$	2014 \$	2013 \$
TRANSFERS FOR OPERATIONS				7
Provincial Government Other Local Governments		222,653 67,490	221,045 64,488	128,551 5,000
		290,143	285,533	133,551
Provincial Government		280,000	495,107	733,156
		570,143	780,640	866,707



Schedule of Consolidated Expenses by Object For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Budget		
	(Unaudited)	2014	2013
	\$	\$	\$
			x 2
EXPENSES			· ·
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,030,000	1,019,759	947,935
Contracted and general services	1,045,550	757,574	674,152
Materials, goods, and utilities	796,527	746,315	905,663
Transfers to local boards and agencies	41,500	40,902	23,925
Bank charges and short-term interest	2,000	2,766	1,848
Interest on long-term debt	74,000	58,235	65,501
Amortization	922,604	922,604	921,851
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets		8,297	14,200
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,912,181	3,556,452	3,555,075



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Segmented Disclosure For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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	General Government \$	Protective Services \$	Transportation Planning & Services Developmen \$	Planning & Development	Recreation & Culture	Recreation Environmental & Culture Services \$	Total \$
	is:						
REVENUE				8			
Net municipal taxes	1,134,316	ı	I	ı	ï	ï	1.134.316
Government transfers	75,000	1	367,105	Ti d	307,997	30,538	780,640
User fees and sales of goods	11,287	485,780	1	3,838	260,004	888,149	1,649,058
Investment income	38,795	3	a	31	i	ā	38,795
Other revenue	197,407	1	1	1		đ	197,407
	1,456,805	485,780	367,105	3,838	568,001	918,687	3,800,216
EXPENSES							
Contracted and general services	167,886	123,369	60,082	31,641	216,077	158,519	757,574
Salaries, wages and benefits	337,628	198,502	173,030	1,400	102,621	206,578	1,019,759
Materials, goods, and utilities	28,697	63,089	137,556	1,349	202,445	313,179	746,315
Transfers to local boards and agencies	ř	I)	Ē	Ė	40,902	1	40,902
Interest on long-term debt	1	ı	ľ	E,	ľ	58,235	58,235
Other expenses	2,766		8,297		1	1	11,063
	536.977	384,960	378.965	34,390	562,045	736,511	2.633,848
NET REVENUE BEFORE AMORTIZATION	919,828	100,820	(11,860)	(30,552)	5,956	182,176	1,166,368
Amortization expense	17,632	30,310	374,075	ı	159,685	340,902	922,604
NET REVENUE	902,196	70,510	(385,935)	(30,552)	(153,729)	(158,726)	243.764



1. Significant Accounting Policies

The consolidated financial statements of the Town of Picture Butte 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 Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants. Significant aspects of the accounting policies adopted by the Town of Picture Butte are as follows:

a) Reporting Entity -

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, changes in fund balances and change in financial position of the reporting entity. The 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 measureable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measureable 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 expense 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.

e) Tax Revenue -

Tax revenues are recognized when the tax has been authorized by bylaw and the taxable event has occurred.

Requisitions operate as a flow through and are excluded from municipal revenue.



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

1. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

f) 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 acrued 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.

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 collectible 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 borrowing, 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.

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 Asset for the year.

1) 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:

<u>YEARS</u>
15-25
10-50
15-75
5-20
10-25



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

1. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

1) Tangible Capital Assets (continued) -

A full year of amortization is charged in the year of acquisition and no amortization is charged in the year of disposal. Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

2) 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.

3) 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.

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Inventories -

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

5) Cultural and historical tangible capital assets -

Work of art for display are not recorded as tangible capital assets but are disclosed.

2. Cash and Temporary Investments

		\$	\$
Cash Temporary Investments		569,417 1,369,700	377,392 1,561,716
		1,939,117	1,939,108

Temporary investments are investments in mutual funds and guaranteed investment certificates with interest rates ranging from 1.75% to 1.95% (2013 - 1.15% to 1.3%).

Included in temporary investments is a restricted amount of nil (2013 – \$19,240) received from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative and \$179,651 (2013 - \$396,406) received from Basic Municipal Transportation grant and held exclusively for approved projects (Note 6).



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

3. Taxes and Grants in Place of Taxes Receivables		
	2014	2013
Current taxes and grants in place of taxes Arrears taxes	52,548 17,980	60,383 28,614
4. Investments	70,528	88,997
4. Investments	2014	2013
Canadian Western Bank savings account Walk on the Wild Side	644,164	425,705 6,165
	644,164	431,870
Investments are shown at fair market value as of December 31, 20	114	

5. Temporary Bank Indebtedness

This temporary loan has been authorized by ATB Financial to a maximum of \$400,000 which bears interest at prime less 0.25% per annum. Security pledged consists of a general security agreement. The balance outstanding at December 31, 2014 was nil (2013 - nil).

6. Deferred Revenue

		2014	2013
Prepayment of property taxes Basic Municipal Transportation grant Municipal Sustainability Initiative - Capital grant		- 179,652 -	16,206 396,406 19,240
		179,652	431,852

Municipal Sustainability Initiative

Funding in the amount of \$676,292 was received in the current year from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative. Of the \$676,292 received, \$579,279 is from the capital component of the program and is restricted to eligible capital projects, as approved under the funding agreement, which were scheduled for completion in 2014. The remaining \$97,013 is from the operating component of the program and is restricted to eligible operating projects, as approved under the funding agreement, which were also scheduled for completion in 2014. Unexpended funds related to the advance are supported by temporary investments of nil held exclusively for these projects (refer Note 2).



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

7.	Long-term Debt		
		2014 \$	2013 \$
	Tax supported debentures	1,187,623	1,345,639

The current portion of long-term amounts to \$96,889, (2013 - \$158,016)

Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

		Principal \$	<u>Interest</u> \$	<u>Total</u> \$
2015	8	96,889	53,182	150,071
2016		99,814	48,787	148,601
2017		102,856	44,275	147,131
2018		106,020	39,641	145,661
2019		109,311	34,880	144,191
Thereafter		672,733	106,992	779,725
		1,187,623	327,757	1,515,380

Debenture debt is repayable to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at rates ranging from 3.973% to 6.125% per annum and matures in periods 2024 to 2027.

Debenture debt is issued on the credit and security of the Town of Picture Butte at large.

Interest on long-term debt amounted to \$58,235 (2013 - \$65,501).

The Town's total cash payments for interest in 2013 were \$59,980 (2013 - \$67,197).

8. Equity in Tangible Capital Assets

	2014 \$	2013
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2) Accumulated amortization (Schedule 2) Long-term debt (Note 7)	36,933,652 (13,879,179) (1,187,623)	36,375,331 (12,971,325) (1,345,639)
	21,866,850	22,058,367



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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 be disclosed as follows:

	2014 \$	2013
Total debt limit Total debt	4,957,664 1,187,623	4,458,612 1,345,639
Total unused debt limit	3,770,041	3,112,973
Service on debt limit Service on debt	826,277 150,071	743,102 217,996
Amount of unused service on debt	676,206	525,106

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. Accumulated Surplus

	2014	2013
Unrestricted surplus Restricted surplus (Note 17) Equity in tangible capital assets (Note 8)	1,251,055 1,759,182 21,866,850	757,655 1,817,301 22,058,367
	24,877,087	24,633,323



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

11. Segmented Disclosure

The Town of Picture Butte provides a range of services to its ratepayers. For each reported segment, revenues and expenses represent both amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis. The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the financial statements as disclosed in Note 1.

Refer to the Schedule of Segmented Disclosure (schedule 6).

12. Salary and Benefits Disclosure

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

	Salary (1)	Benefits & Allowances (2) \$	2014 Total \$	2013 Total \$
Mayor - W. Jones	14,250	Œ	14,250	11,156
- T. Kerkhoff Councilor - H. DeKok	- 0.750	-	= 3	10,818
- T. Feist	9,750 10,900	- v	9,750 10,900	8,000
- H. Hurkens	-		10,900	2,000 5,197
- S. Koenen	10.650	- ,2	E K	5,497
- C. Moore - B. Nummi	12,650	=	12,650	2,750
- R. Sheen	-		· ·	4,741 6,297
- J. Watson Designated officer - CAO	13,200 97,574	- 18,498	13,200 116,072	2,821 103,019
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- (1) Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime, lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.
- (2) 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, accident disability and dismemberment insurance, long and short term disability plans, professional memberships and tuition.

Benefits and allowances figures also include the employer's share of the costs of additional taxable benefits including special leave with pay, car and travel allowances, conferences, and memberships.



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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 Alberta Public Sector Pension Plans Act. The LAPP serves about 133,000 people and 389 employers. The LAPP is financed by employer and employee contributions and by investment earnings of the LAPP Fund.

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

The Town is required to make current service contributions of 10.43% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canadian Pension Plan and 14.47% on pensionable earnings above this amount. Employees of the Town are required to make current service contributions of 9.43% of pensionable salary up to the year's maximum pensionable salary and 13.47% on pensionable salary above this amount.

The total current service contributions by the Town to the LAPP in 2014 were \$63,293 (2013 - \$51,642). Total current year service contributions by the employees of the Town to the LAPP were \$62,562 (2013 - \$51,445).

At December 31, 2013, the LAPP disclosed an actuarial deficiency of \$4.861 billion.

14. Contingencies

The Town is a member of the Alberta Municipal Insurance Exchange (MUNIX). Under the terms of the 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 receivables, bank indebtedness, accounts payable, accrued liabilities and long-term debt. It is management's opinion that the Town is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit 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.



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16. Commitments

The Town of Picture Butte has entered into operating leases for equipment and a photocopier. They also have contract commitments for managing the recreation complex and technical support with several parties. The Town of Picture Butte's obligations under these leases and contracts are as follows:

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2015			70,623
2016			31,970
2017			7,600
			110,193
			110,173

17. Reserves

Council for the Town of Picture Butte has set up reserves for various purposes. These reserves are either required by legislation or set up at the discretion of Council to provide funding for future expenses.

	2014 \$	2013
Operating reserves:	-	
Senior's transport	7,498	7,498
Disaster services	10,170	10,170
Common services	87,867	87,867
Economic Development Committee	46,232	46,232
Walk on the Wild Side	-	5,119
Community hall	9,952	9,952
	161,719	166,838
Capital reserves:		
Administration - technical	298,073	223,073
Fire - truck	107,215	107,215
Fire - rescue vehicle and equipment	117,573	117,573
Fire - communication equipment	95,083	70,083
Ambulance - equipment	378	118,378
Street lights	138,567	138,567
Water - supply	81,376	81,376
Water - line replacement	57,238	57,238
Sewer - services	301,690	301,690
Garbage - equipment	13,001	13,001
Land development	263,200	263,200
Swimming pool	2,439	2,439
Parks - equipment	39,220	39,220
Recreation complex	82,410	117,410
	1,597,463	1,650,463
Total reserves:	1,759,182	1,817,301
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18. Budget Amounts

The 2014 budget for the Town of Picture Butte was approved by Council on May 26, 2014 and has been reported in the consolidated financial statements for information purposes only. These budget amounts have not been audited, reviewed or otherwise verified.

The approved budget contains reserve transfers, capital additions and principal payments on debt as expenses. Since these items are not included in the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements, they have been excluded from budget amounts presented in these statements.

In addition, the approved budget did not contain an amount for all of the amortization expense. In order to enhance comparability, the actual amortization expense has been included as a budget amount.

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Budget	deficit per financial statements	(388,604)
Less:	Capital expenditures Long-term debt repayments Transfers to reserves	(346,500) (150,500) (155,000)
Add:	Amortization - not included in budget Transfers from reserves	922,604 118,000
Equals:	approved budget	_

19. Approval of Financial Statements

Council and Management have approved these financial statements.

