# **Financial Statements**

December 31, 2015

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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, 2015 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, 2015, 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 25, 2016

Chartered Accountants

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at December 31, 2015

	2015 \$	2014 \$
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FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2) Receivables	1,655,650	1,939,117
Taxes and grants in place of taxes (Note 3)	71,135	70,528
Trade and other	293,554	430,120
Land and property held for resale	899,487	217,553
Investments (Note 4)	652,189	644,164
	3,572,015	3,301,482
LIABILITIES		
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Accounts payable and accrued liabilities  Deferred revenue (Note 6)	272,747	138,809
Long-term debt (Note 7)	5,714	179,652
Eong-term debt (Note 1)	1,090,734	1,187,623
	1,369,195	1,506,084
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	2,202,820	1,795,398
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	23,762,095	22 054 472
Inventory for consumption	11,347	23,054,473 12,463
Prepaid expenses and deposits	1,759	14,753
A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A		14,733
	23,775,201	23,081,689
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Schedule 1 and Note 10)	25,978,021	24,877,087

**CONTINGENCIES (Note 14)** 

Approved on behalf of Council:



Consolidated Statement of Operations For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budget (Unaudited)	2015	2014
	\$	\$	\$
REVENUE			
Net municipal property taxes (Schedule 3)	1,155,994	1,170,445	1,134,316
User fees and sales of goods	1,546,811	1,658,954	1,649,058
Government transfers (Schedule 4)	102,298	195,061	285,533
Investment income	20,000	38,526	38,795
Penalties and costs of taxes	48,800	41,332	48,617
Franchise and concession contracts	130,000	112,860	126,598
Licenses, permits and fines	28,150	23,011	22,192
	3,032,053	3,240,189	3,305,109
EXPENSES (Schedule 5)			
Legislative	89,100	83,050	73,461
Administration	556,931	446,216	463,516
Police, fire, ambulance and bylaw enforcement	433,624	368,567	384,960
Roads, streets, walks, lighting	467,990	359,169	370,668
Water, wastewater and waste management	760,560	695,104	736,511
Land use planning, zoning and development	91,500	40,189	34,390
Parks and recreation	429,728	392,817	402,789
Community services	100,205	152,734	159,256
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	17,261	8,297
Amortization	954,794	954,794	922,604
	3,884,432	3,509,901	3,556,452
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER			
EXPENSES BEFORE OTHER	(852,379)	(269,712)	(251,343)
OTHER			
Government transfers for capital (Schedule 4)		1,370,646	495,107
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(852,379)	1,100,934	243,764
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	24,877,087	24,877,087	24,633,323
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	24,024,708	25,978,021	24,877,087



Consolidated Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets (Debt) For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budget (Unaudited)	2015	2014
	\$	\$	\$
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF		3	
REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(852,379)	1,100,934	243,764
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(6,500)	(1,702,677)	(657,250)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets	054.704	23,000	75,882
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	954,794 	954,794 17,261	922,604 8,297
	948,294	(707,622)	349,533
Use (acquisition) of prepaid assets	- :=	12,994	(372)
Use (acquisition) of supplies inventory		1,116	(1)
		14,110	(373)
INCREASE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	95,915	407,422	592,924
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS,			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,795,398	1,795,398	1,202,474
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	1,891,313	2,202,820	1,795,398



Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

H 4 5 5		
	2015	2014
	\$	\$
NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED		
TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:		
OPERATING		
Excess of revenues over expenses	1,100,934	243,764
Non-cash items included in excess of revenues over expenses	2,100,251	215,701
Amortization of tangible capital assets	954,794	922,604
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	17,261	8,297
Non-cash charges to operations (net changes)	,	-,_,,
Decrease in taxes and grants in place of taxes	(607)	18,469
Decrease (increase) in trade and other receivables	136,566	225,062
(Increase) in land and property held for resale	(681,934)	(217,553)
(Increase) decrease in inventory for consumption	1,116	(1)
(Increase) in prepaid expenses and deposits	12,994	(372)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	133,938	3,617
Decrease in deferred revenue	(173,938)	(252,200)
	1,501,124	951,687
CAPITAL		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(1,702,677)	(657,250)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	23,000	75,882
	(1,679,677)	(581,368)
FINANCING		
Long-term debt repaid	(96,889)	(158,016)
5	1201002)	(130,010)
INVESTING		
(Increase) in investments	(8,025)	(212,294)
CHANGE IN CASH AND TEMPORARY		
INVESTMENTS DURING THE YEAR	(283,467)	9
CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,939,117	1,939,108
CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, END OF YEAR (Note 2)	1,655,650	1,939,117



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Changes in Accumulated Surplus For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015	= n	5		3,	SCHEDULE 1	
	Unrestricted Surplus \$	Restricted Surplus	Equity in Tangible Capital Assets \$	2015 \$	2014	
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,251,055	1,759,182	21,866,850	24,877,087	24,633,323	
Excess of revenues over expenses	1,100,934	ř	ı	1,100,934	243,764	
Unrestricted funds designated for future use	(60,500)	60,500	•	(1	1	
Restricted funds used for tangible capital assets	s #	(388,747)	388,747	1	ı	
Current year funds used for tangible capital assets	(1,313,930)	T	1,313,930	r	i	
Disposal of tangible capital assets	40,261	Ē	(40,261)	1	i	
Annual amortization expense	954,794	ï	(954,794)	1	1	
Long-term debt repaid	(6888)	1	688'96	1	1	
Change in accumulated surplus	624,670	(328,247)	804,511	1,100,934	243,764	
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1,875,725	1,430,935	22,671,361	25,978,021	24,877,087	



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Land \$	Land Improvements \$	Buildings \$	Engineered Structures \$	Machinery & Equipment \$	Vehicles \$	2015	2014
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COST: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	308,040	527,658	12,233,706	22,316,734	773,638	773,876	36,933,652	36,375,331
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Disposal of tangible capital assets Construction in progress			48,535	1,523,806 (85,063)	130,336 (94,875)		1,702,677 (179,938)	624,750 (98,929) 32,500
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	308,040	527,658	12,282,241	23,755,477	809,099	773,876	38,456,391	36,933,652
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	rion:	169,243	4,384,605	8,418,161	401,130	506,040	13,879,179	12,971,325
Annual amortization Accumulated amortization on disposals	'	23,902	266,586	542,796 (63,777)	77,825	43,685	954,794 (139,67 <u>7</u> )	922,604 (14,750)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR		193,145	4,651,191	8,897,180	403,055	549,725	14,694,296	13,879,179
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	308,040	334,513	7,631,050	14,858,297	406,044	224,151	23,762,095	23,054,473
2014 NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	308,040	358,415	7,849,101	13.898,573	372,508	267,836	23,054,473	



Schedule of Property Taxes Levied For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budget (Unaudited) \$	2015 \$	2014 \$
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TAXATION		a.	
Real property taxes	1,580,579	1,595,030	1,552,537
REQUISITIONS			
Alberta School Foundation Fund Separate school Seniors foundation	334,188 70,572 19,825	331,754 73,006 19,825	329,632 69,610 18,979
	424,585	424,585	418,221
NET MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAXES	1,155,994	1,170,445	1,134,316



Schedule of Government Transfers For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budget (Unaudited) \$	2015	2014 \$
<b>FRANSFERS FOR OPERATIONS</b> Provincial Government Other Local Governments	97,298 5,000 102,298	195,061  	221,045 64,488 285,533
FRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL Provincial Government	,	1,370,646	495,107
	102,298	1,565,707	780,640



Schedule of Consolidated Expenses by Object For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budget		
	(Unaudited)	2015	2014
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XPENSES			
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,140,500	984,333	1,019,759
Contracted and general services	926,707	659,597	757,574
Materials, goods, and utilities	762,750	797,028	746,315
Transfers to local boards and agencies	43,500	42,480	40,902
Bank charges and short-term interest	3,000	2,094	2,766
Interest on long-term debt	53,182	52,314	58,235
Amortization	954,794	954,794	922,604
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets		17,261	8,297
OTAL EXPENSES	3,884,433	3,509,901	3,556,452



TOWN OF PICTURE BUTTE Schedule of Segmented Disclosure For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015	10 E					SCHEDULE 6	ULE 6
d ne	General Government \$	Protective Services	Transportation Planning & Services Developmen \$	Planning & Development	Recreation & Culture	Environmental Services \$	Total \$
	20				a	ij	
REVENUE							
Net municipal taxes	1 170 445	.1	<u>j</u>	li			27.000
Government transfers	75,000	750	179,651	i i	119.311	1.190.995	1,170,445
User fees and sales of goods	6,865	476,787	247	6,799	278,809	889,447	1,658,954
Investment income Other revenue	38,526 177,203	<b>L</b> (1)	I I	1 1		1 1	38,526
	1,468,039	477,537	179,898	6.799	398,120	2,080,442	4,610,835
EXPENSES							0
Contracted and general services	153,364	111,417	48,009	36,238	164,142	146,427	659.597
Salaries, wages and benefits	342,420	198,708	170,776	1,100	124,399	146,930	984,333
Materials, goods, and utilities	31,388	58,442	140,384	2,851	214,530	349,433	797,028
Transfers to local boards and agencies		1	i	F	42,480		42,480
Interest on long-term debt	•	i	ī	•	1	52,314	52,314
Other expenses	2,094	Î	17,261			t	19,355
	529,266	368,567	376,430	40,189	545,551	695,104	2,555,107
NET REVENUE BEFORE AMORTIZATION	1 938,773	108,970	(196,532)	(33,390)	(147,431)	1,385,338	2,055,728
Amortization expense	17,633	29,407	396,266	t	156,767	354,721	954,794
NET REVENUE	921,140	79,563	(592,798)	(33,390)	(304,198)	1,030,617	1,100,934



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### 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, 2015

### 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 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.

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 Assets 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:

	YEARS
Land Improvements	15-25
Buildings	10-50
Engineered Structures	15-75
Machinery and Equipment	5-20
Vehicles	10-25



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### 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.

4) 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

2 .	. 8	2015 \$	2014 \$
Cash		283,311	569,417
Temporary Investments		1,372,339	1,369,700
		1,655,650	1,939,117

Temporary investments are investments in mutual funds and guaranteed investment certificates with interest rates ranging from 1.75% to 1.95% (2014 - 1.75% to 1.95%).

Included in temporary investments is a restricted amount of nil (2014 – nil) received from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative and \$179,651 (2014 - \$179,651) received from Basic Municipal Transportation grant and held exclusively for approved projects (Note 6).



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

3. Taxes and Grants in Place of Taxes			
		2015	2014
Current taxes and grants in place of taxes Arrears taxes	9 a	49,179 21,956	52,548 17,980
9 di		71,135	70,528
4. Investments			
		2015	2014 \$
Canadian Western Bank savings account		652,189	644,164

## 5. Temporary Bank Indebtedness

Investments are shown at fair market value as of December 31, 2015.

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, 2015 was nil (2014 - nil).

#### 6. Deferred Revenue

	2015	2014 \$
Prepaid water fees Basic Municipal Transportation grant	5,714	179,652
	5,714	179,652

#### Municipal Sustainability Initiative

Funding in the amount of \$432,622 was received in the current year from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative. Of the \$432,622 received, \$335,324 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 2015. The remaining \$97,298 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 2015. 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, 2015

7.	Long-term Debt				
			2015	2014	
			\$	\$	
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Tax supported debentures 1,090,734 1,187,623

The current portion of long-term amounts to \$99,814, (2014 - \$96,889)

Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total
	\$	\$	\$
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
2020	112,734	29,987	142,721
Thereafter	559,999	77,006	637,005
	1,090,734	274,576	1,365,310

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 \$52,314 (2014 - \$58,235).

The Town's total cash payments for interest in 2015 were \$53,182 (2014 - \$59,980).

#### 8. Equity in Tangible Capital Assets

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2) Accumulated amortization (Schedule 2) Long-term debt (Note 7)	38,456,391 (14,694,296) (1,090,734)	36,933,652 (13,879,179) (1,187,623)
	22,671,361	21,866,850



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### 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:

	2015	2014 \$
Total debt limit Total debt	4,860,284 1,090,734	4,957,664 1,187,623
Total unused debt limit	3,769,550	3,770,041
Service on debt limit Service on debt	810,047 148,601	826,277 150,071
Amount of unused service on debt	661,446	676,206

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

		2015 \$	2014 \$
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Unrestricted surplus		1,875,725	1,251,055
Restricted surplus (Note 17)		1,430,935	1,759,182
Equity in tangible capital assets (Note 8)		22,671,361	21,866,850
		25,978,021	24,877,087



Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### 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)	2015 Total \$	2014 Total \$
Mayor - W. Jones	15,350	~	15,350	14,250
Councilor - H. DeKok	9,050	<del>-</del>	9,050	9,750
- T. Feist	11,800	÷	11,800	10,900
- C. Moore	14,100	i <del>le</del> .	14,100	12,650
- J. Watson	12,300		12,300	13,200
Designated officer - CAO	68,327	13,741	82,068	116,072

- (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 2015 were \$72,187 (2014 - \$63,293). Total current year service contributions by the employees of the Town to the LAPP were \$67,157 (2014 - \$62,562).

At December 31, 2014, the LAPP disclosed an actuarial deficiency of \$2.455 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:

2016		31,970
2017		7,600
		39,570

#### 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.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
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
General recreation	500	-
Community hall	9,952	9,952
	162,219	161,719
Capital reserves:		
Administration - technical	172,526	298,073
Fire - truck	107,215	107,215
Fire - rescue vehicle and equipment	117,573	117,573
Fire - communication equipment	120,083	95,083
Ambulance - equipment	378	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	<b>a</b>	263,200
Swimming pool	2,439	2,439
Parks - equipment	39,220	39,220
Recreation complex	117,410	82,410
	1,268,716	1,597,463
Total reserves:	1,430,935	1,759,182



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#### 18. Budget Amounts

The 2015 budget for the Town of Picture Butte was approved by Council on May 11, 2015 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.

		\$
Budget	deficit per financial statements	(852,379)
Less:	Long-term debt repayments Transfers to reserves	(96,888) (80,527)
Add:	Amortization - not included in budget Transfers from reserves	954,794 
Equals	approved budget	- <u>H</u>

#### 19. Approval of Financial Statements

Council and Management have approved these financial statements.

