



## Report to Municipal Council

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<b>Subject</b>	2015 Budget
<b>File No</b>	F05 GEN Budget & Estimates
<b>Report No</b>	

1) **NATURE / GOAL:** Following public consultation and detailed review of the draft 2015 budget, this report recommends that Council formally approve the 2015 Final Budget which includes the revisions made during the Committee of the Whole budget process, as well as staff recommendations.

2) **DIRECTIVE/PREVIOUS POLICY :**

N/A

3) **DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION :**

**That Council formally approves the 2015 final budget which includes the revisions made during the Committee of the Whole budget review (Schedule "A" operating and Schedule "B" capital attached) as well as the following staff recommendations:**

1. That the project "Kubota 1994 gazon" on page 177 of the draft capital budget be revised from \$15,000 to \$22,000;
2. That the project "Bearbrook Bridge" in the amount of \$1,400,000 be moved from 2016 to 2015 to reflect the approval of an OCIF grant representing \$1,260,000 from the Province and the balance of \$140,000 in municipal debt;
3. That the project «Watermain looping of two sections of the main pipe project» be added to the 2015 budget to reflect the approval of a Small Communities Fund (SCF) grant for a total project cost of \$3,263,450.00 of which \$2,175,632 is funded by the federal and provincial government and the balance of \$1,087,818 is funded by the City by a municipal debt.

4) **BACKGROUND :**

The 2015 budget was reviewed by Committee of the Whole from Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Since the conclusion of the budget review, staff have received additional information and are recommending further revisions to the 2015 capital budget.

5) **DISCUSSION :**

The 2015 Draft Budget book was received at the Council meeting of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

The budget documents were posted on the City's website and an e-mail mailbox [Budget@Clarence-Rockland.com](mailto:Budget@Clarence-Rockland.com) was established for public input into the budget process.

Committee of the Whole met on four separate occasions Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Monday February 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. The budget was reviewed following the order of the draft budget book – operating first and then concluded with the review of the capital budget book.

Since the detailed budget review by Committee of the Whole, subsequent information was received by staff, which require further revisions to the Draft Budget as reviewed by Committee of the Whole.

Recommendation 3(1) : The Community Services department advises that the cost of a tractor is about \$22,000 therefore the capital budget is recommended to be increased from \$15,000 to \$22,000.

Recommendation 3(2) : The Infrastructure and Engineering department advises that the City is in receipt of an approval of an Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund OCIF grant from the province for the "Bearbrook Bridge" project. As a result of this grant approval, it is recommended that this project be advanced from 2016 to 2015.

Recommendation 3(3) : There is a separate report from the Infrastructure and Engineering department addressing the "Watermain looping of two sections of the main pipe" project (details included in the attached report, submitted by Gilles Maranda, Director of Infrastructure and Engineering)

Schedule "A" and "B" attached summarize the changes to the draft operating and capital budgets that were received by Committee of the Whole. Schedule "B" includes the items identified in recommendations 3(1), 3(2) and 3(3).

6) **PUBLIC CONSULTATION:**

N/A

7) **RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS :**

As included in this report

8) **FINANCIAL IMPACT (monétaire/matériaux/etc):**

As included in this report.

9) **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

N/A

10) **RISK MANAGEMENT :**

N/A

11) **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS :**

N/A

12) **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Schedule « A » changes to the 2015 operating Budget  
Schedule "B" changes to the 2015 capital Budget.  
Infrastructure and Engineering report in regards to the Watermain looping

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