DISTRICT OF SAANICH MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING FINANCIAL PLAN

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL, 770 VERNON AVENUE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015 AT 7:30 P.M.

Present: Chair: Mayor Atwell

Council: Councillors Brice, Brownoff, Derman, Haynes (7:35 pm), Murdock

(7:35 pm), Plant and Wergeland

Staff: Andy Laidlaw, Chief Administrative Officer; Valla Tinney, Director of

Finance; Paul Arslan, Senior Manager, Financial Services; and Cathy

Weston, Senior Committee Clerk.

Mayor Atwell announced the start of the meeting will be slightly delayed pending the arrival of Councillors Haynes and Murdock.

Councillors Haynes and Murdock arrived at 7:35 pm.

5280-20 2015 Budget

PUBLIC INPUT

- C. MacDonald, Daisy Avenue, stated:
- Everything can't keep going up all the time; you have to learn to deal without.
- She would like to see all budgets trimmed.

5280-20 2015 Budget

2015 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS - POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Chief Constable presented the 2015 budget for the Saanich Police Board in the amount of \$30,011,300 which represents a 6.81% increase over 2014. The key accomplishments of 2014 and the challenges and key priorities for 2015, as shown in the 2015-2019 Draft Financial Plan, were highlighted.

The Chief Constable responded to questions from the Committee.

5280-20 2015 Budget

2015 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS – FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Chief presented the 2015 budget for the Fire Department in the amount of \$14,926,100 which represents a 1.72% increase over 2014. The key accomplishments of 2014 and the challenges and key priorities for 2015, as shown in the 2015-2019 Draft Financial Plan, were highlighted.

Councillor Wergeland declared pursuant to Section 85 of the Council Procedure Bylaw, that he is not entitled to participate in the discussion of the CREST radio system as he is a member of the CREST Board of Directors. Councillor Wergeland left the meeting at 9:20 pm.

The Fire Chief outlined the CREST radio system challenges and key priorities for 2015, as shown in the 2015-2019 Draft Financial Plan.

<u>5280-20</u> 2015 Budget	2015 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS – EMERGENCY PROGRAM The Fire Chief presented the 2015 budget for the Emergency Program in the amount of \$394,700 which represents an 8.49% increase over 2014. The key accomplishments of 2014 and the challenges and key priorities for 2015, as shown in the 2015-2019 Draft Financial Plan, were highlighted.
Adjournment	On a motion from Councillor Brownoff, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.
	CHAIR
	I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.
	MUNICIPAL CLERK