

**TOWN OF CANMORE**  
**MINUTES**  
Finance Committee  
Civic Centre Council Chamber, 902 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
**Thursday, November 4, 2021**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sean Krausert	Mayor
Joanna McCallum	Deputy Mayor
Tanya Foubert	Councillor
Wade Graham	Councillor
Jeff Hilstad	Councillor
Jeff Mah	Councillor
Karen Marra	Councillor
Lisa de Soto	Chief Administrative Officer (non-voting)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT**

Sally Caudill	General Manager of Municipal Services
Therese Rogers	General Manager of Corporate Services
Whitney Smithers	General Manager of Municipal Infrastructure
Chelsey Richardson	Manager of Finance
Ric Irwin	Senior Finance Officer
Robyn Dinnadge	Manager of Communications (Recorder)

Mayor Krausert called the November 4, 2021 Finance Committee meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**1. Agenda for the November 4, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting**

56-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee approve the agenda for the November 4, 2021 meeting as presented with the following amendment:

- Under New Business move item D3 to precede item D1.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

56A-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee amend motion 56-2021FIN by adding: under New Business add item the agenda add item D5 RCMP Resolution.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

56-2021FIN

The vote followed on motion 56-2021FIN as amended: that the Finance Committee approve the agenda for the November 4, 2021 meeting as presented with the following amendments:

- Under New Business move item D3 to precede item D1 and

Minutes approved by:  

- Under New Business add item D5 RCMP Resolution.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**B. DELEGATIONS**

None

**C. MINUTES**

**1. Minutes of the June 22, 2021 Finance Meeting**

57-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee approve the minutes of the June 22, 2021 meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**D. STAFF REPORTS**

**3. Finance Committee Orientation**

Administration provided the Committee with a verbal orientation to the Finance Committee including an overview of governance, timelines, introduction to taxes, and an overview of the budget process.

**Meeting Break 10 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.**

**3. Finance Committee Orientation continued**

Orientation continued with a verbal presentation of the history of the operating impact of capital and new services.

**1. 2021 Financial Report Year-to-Date as at August 31, 2021**

Administration provided the Committee with the year-to-date financial report as at August 31, 2021 for information.

**2. Capital Update**

58-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee recommend to Council to cancel the following projects:

- (1) 7168 Business Transformation (2021)
- (2) 7174 PC Lifecycle & New Equipment (2021)
- (3) 7175 IT Infrastructure Lifecycle & New Equipment (2021)
- (4) 7176 Business Registry – CityView

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. High Level Operating and Capital Budget Overview**

Administration provided the Committee with a verbal high-level overview of the operating and capital budgets.

59-2021FIN

Mayor Krausert moved that, pursuant to section 2.8 of the Procedural Bylaw, the Finance Committee allow this meeting to go beyond four hours.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Meeting Break 11:55 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.**

**4. High Level Operating and Capital Budget Overview continued**

Administration continued with a verbal high-level overview of the operating and capital budgets.

Minutes approved by:



**5. RCMP Resolution**

60-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee recommend Council consider and adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** the recent collective agreement between the RCMP and National Police Federation includes significant retroactive pay going back to 2017 as well as pay increases going forward; and

**WHEREAS** Our municipality and others that depend on RCMP contract policing are facing significant, unbudgeted costs that may force us to make very difficult choices at a time when our primary focus needs to be on economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** Municipalities were not consulted at any stage of the negotiations process, despite the outcome of these negotiations having a direct and significant impact on municipal operations; and

**WHEREAS** RCMP cost increases will disproportionately impact rural communities; and

**WHEREAS** municipalities are eager to work more closely with other orders of government and the RCMP on contract policing issues to ensure the financial sustainability of contract policing and to maintain the service levels necessary for community safety; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Canmore joins the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in calling on the federal government to absorb all retroactive costs associated with the implementation of the new RCMP labour relations regime; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the federal government should commit to ensuring municipalities are properly consulted prior to implementation of measures that impact local fiscal sustainability and ability to maintain effective levels of police services in communities.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**E. IN CAMERA**

None

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

61-2021FIN

Moved by Mayor Krausert that the Finance Committee adjourn the November 4, 2021 meeting at 1:37 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



Sean Krausert, Mayor

  
Cheryl Hyde, Municipal Clerk

Minutes approved by:  

