CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2016

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Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Town of Taber (the "Town") are the responsibility of the Town's management and have been prepared in compliance with legislation, and in accordance with Public Sector Accounting Standards established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants. A summary of the significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. The preparation of consolidated financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management's judgement, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods.

The Town's management maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded in compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the consolidated financial statements. These systems are monitored and evaluated by management.

Council meets with management and the external auditors to review the consolidated financial statements and discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to their approval of the financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the Town. The accompanying Auditors' Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the Town's consolidated financial statements.

Chief Administrative Officer

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Director of Finance

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Mayor and Members of Council of the Town of Taber

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Town of Taber (the "Town") which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2016, the consolidated statements of operations and accumulated surplus, change in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising 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 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 our 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, we consider internal control relevant to the Town'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 Town'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 Town of Taber as at December 31, 2016, and results of its operations, its changes in net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Chartered Professional Accountants

KPMG LLP

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	2016	2015
Financial assets		
Cash and temporary investments (note 2)	\$ 14,814,022	\$ 14,781,843
Taxes and grants in lieu receivable (note 3)	692,661	558,554
Trade and other receivables	1,159,892	1,308,921
Long-term investments (note 4)	1,370,619	1,717,193
Debt charges recoverable	477,942	513,165
Other financial assets	2,924	8,568
	18,518,060	18,888,244
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,001,408	1,809,712
Employee benefit obligations (note 5)	476,711	523,198
Deposit liabilities	722,281	707,287
Deferred revenue and government transfers (note 6)	1,049,628	2,342,572
Provision for landfill post-closure costs (note 7)	281,210	297,177
Long-term debt (note 8)	7,024,681	7,591,057
	10,555,919	13,271,003
Net financial assets	7,962,141	5,617,241
Non-financial assets		
Tangible capital assets (schedule 2, note 10)	125,234,057	120,990,449
Land held for resale	628,750	655,789
Inventory held for consumption	28,957	28,756
Prepaid expenses	26,255	28,619
	125,918,019	121,703,613
	133,880,160	127,320,854

TOWN OF TABER Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	Budget	2016	2015
Revenue			
Net taxes available for municipal purposes			
(schedule 3)	\$ 8,452,484	\$ 8,452,488	\$ 8,115,558
Sales and user fees	7,748,284	8,446,802	8,081,862
Government transfers for operating			
(schedule 4)	1,218,287	1,244,395	1,201,813
Penalties and costs of taxes	147,500	179,754	160,564
Fines	423,250	685,967	671,670
Franchise and concession contracts	1,739,876	1,731,703	1,678,172
Investment income	275,350	207,246	259,717
Licenses and permits	247,400	234,001	260,321
Rentals	806,156	747,733	712,293
Other	382,033	1,008,291	376,922
	21,440,620	22,938,380	21,518,892
Expenses (schedule 5)			, ,
Council and other legislative	314,694	323,047	316,842
General government	2,176,746	1,997,466	1,925,215
Police	3,093,732	3,046,298	3,212,741
Fire	777,764	880,439	741,357
Disaster	16,701	14,861	14,398
Bylaw	180,382	140,959	166,193
Roads, walks and street lighting	3,566,972	3,599,517	3,783,572
Other transportation	52,400	52,400	52,400
Stormwater	549,764	529,576	562,130
Water supply and distribution	1,967,029	1,913,391	2,076,241
Wastewater treatment and disposal	3,420,909	3,336,706	3,345,356
Waste management	1,383,427	1,401,520	1,180,296
Family and community support	60,650	60,085	56,971
Cemeteries	159,265	140,541	181,941
Land use planning, zoning and development	692,826	611,418	567,358
Subdivision land and development	111,204	100,846	230,073
Public housing	111,204	100,040	1,085
Land, housing and building rentals	689,149	613,643	676,128
Parks and recreation	2,856,008	2,757,538	2,885,007
Culture	730,110	726,342	756,011
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Annual complice (deficit) before other	22,799,732	22,246,593	22,731,315
Annual surplus (deficit) before other	(1,359,112)	691,787	(1,212,423)
Other Contributed assets		2,656,892	656,227
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Government transfers for capital (schedule 4)	8,837,200	3,210,627	3,546,974
Annual surplus (deficit)	7,478,088	6,559,306	2,990,778
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year	127,320,854	127,320,854	124,330,076
Accumulated surplus, end of year	\$ 134,798,942	\$ 133,880,160	\$ 127,320,854

Consolidated Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

		Budget		2016		2015
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$	7,478,088	\$	6,559,306	\$	2,990,778
Acquisition of tangible capital assets		(14,301,412)		(6,155,147)		(7,213,522)
Contributed tangible capital assets		-		(2,656,892)		(656,227)
Amortization of tangible capital assets		4,296,125		4,495,929		4,296,125
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets		-		62,923		189,483
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital						
assets		-		9,579		4,287
		(2,527,199)		2,315,698		(389,076)
Acquisition of inventories of supplies		-		(28,957)		(28,756)
Acquisition of prepaid expenses		-		(26,255)		(28,619)
Disposal of land held for resale		-		27,039		161,810
Consumption of inventories of supplies		-		28,756		53,965
Use of prepaid expenses		-		28,619		24,103
		-		29,202		182,503
Increase (decrease) in net financial assets		(2,527,199)		2,344,900		(206,573)
Net financial assets, beginning of year		5,617,241		5,617,241		5,823,814
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Net financial assets, end of year	\$	3,090,042	\$	7,962,141	\$	5,617,241

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015

	2016	2015
Cash flows provided by (used in) the following activities:		
Operating		
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 6,559,306	\$ 2,990,778
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of tangible capital assets	4,495,929	4,296,125
Contributed tangible capital assets	(2,656,892)	(656,227)
Transfer of land held for resale	-	-
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	62,923	189,483
Change in non-cash assets and liabilities:		
Taxes and grants in lieu receivable	(134,107)	(122,265)
Trade and other receivables	149,029	396,949
Debt charges recoverable	35,223	67,639
Other financial assets	5,644	(7,446)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(808,304)	563,891
Employee benefit obligations	(46,487)	137,772
Deposit liabilities	14,994	(816,289)
Deferred revenue and government transfers	(1,292,944)	(413,047)
Provision for landfill post-closure costs	(15,967)	(12,203)
Land held for resale	27,039	161,810
Inventory held for consumption	(201)	25,209
Prepaid expenses	2,364	(4,516)
Operital	6,397,549	6,797,663
Capital Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	0.570	4 207
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	9,579	4,287
Purchase of tangible capital assets:		
Funded from reserves	(2,567,098)	(3,450,139)
Funded from operations	(3,588,049)	(3,763,383)
	(6,145,568)	(7,209,235)
Investing Redemption (purchase) of long-term investments	346,574	509,587
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Financing Dragged of debt charges recoverable issued		
Proceeds of debt charges recoverable issued	(35,223)	- (67 620)
Repayment of debt charges recoverable Repayment of long-term debt	, ,	(67,639) (527,945)
Repayment of long-term debt	(531,153)	(527,945)
	(566,376)	(595,584)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	32,179	(497,569)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	14,781,843	15,279,412
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 14,814,022	\$ 14,781,843

Consolidated Schedule of Changes in Accumulated Surplus For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015 Schedule 1

	Unrestricted Net Assets	Reserves		Equity in tangible capital assets			2016	2015
Beginning balance	\$ 3,340,037	\$	10,068,260	\$	113,912,557	\$	127,320,854	\$ 124,330,076
Annual surplus (deficit)	6,559,306		-		-		6,559,306	2,990,778
Operating reserves								
Transfers to reserves	(469,002)		469,002		-		-	-
Transfers from reserves	404,824		(404,824)		-		-	-
Capital reserves								
Transfers to reserves	(5,289,795)		5,289,795		-		-	-
Transfers from reserves for operating purposes	451,567		(451,567)		-		-	-
Transfers from reserves for capital purposes	-		(2,567,098)		2,567,098		-	-
Capital investing								
Capital assets internally funded	(3,588,049)		-		3,588,049		-	-
Contributed assets	(2,656,892)		-		2,656,892		-	-
Amortization of tangible capital assets Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital	4,495,929		-		(4,495,929)		-	-
assets	9,579		-		(9,579)		-	-
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	62,923		-		(62,923)		-	-
Capital financing								
Principal payment of capital debt	(531,153)				531,153			
Total	\$ 2,789,274	\$	12,403,568	\$	118,687,318	\$	133,880,160	\$ 127,320,854

Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015 Schedule 2

Cost		2015	Additions	Disposals	Transfers of assets under construction	2016
Land	\$	1,375,518	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,375,518
Land improvements		3,739,719	61,232	-	-	3,800,951
Buildings		16,504,721	462,204	-	-	16,966,925
Engineering structures	1	158,772,110	5,765,366	152,282	75,808	164,461,002
Machinery and						
equipment		7,376,482	1,362,869	387,284	143,333	8,495,400
Vehicles		3,092,074	345,161	37,317	-	3,399,918
Assets under						
construction		599,432	815,207	-	(219,141)	1,195,498
Total	\$1	191,460,056	\$ 8,812,039	\$ 576,883	\$ -	\$ 199,695,212

Accumulated amortization	Amortization 2015 expense Disposals							
amortization		2010	ехрепве		Disposais		2016	
Land	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Land improvements	1,6	00,581	137,245		-		1,737,826	
Buildings	6,1	28,312	373,930		-		6,502,242	
Engineering structures	56,9	39,665	3,108,242		107,165		59,940,742	
Machinery and equipment	3,9	62,961	594,403		359,898		4,197,466	
Vehicles	1,8	38,088	282,109		37,318		2,082,879	
Total	\$ 70,4	69,607 \$	4,495,929	\$	504,381	\$	74,461,155	

Net book value	2015	2016	
Land	\$ 1,375,518	\$	1,375,518
Land improvements	2,139,138		2,063,125
Buildings	10,376,409		10,464,683
Engineering structures	101,832,445		104,520,260
Machinery and equipment	3,413,521		4,297,934
Vehicles	1,253,986		1,317,039
Assets under construction	599,432		1,195,498
Total	\$ 120,990,449	\$	125,234,057

Consolidated Schedule of Taxes Levied and Net Taxes Available for Municipal Purposes For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015 Schedule 3

	Budget	2016	2015
Taxation:			
Real property taxes	\$ 10,735,656	\$ 10,763,538	\$ 10,356,170
Linear property taxes	218,415	218,415	229,028
Government grants in place of property taxes	52,070	18,543	45,684
	11,006,141	11,000,496	10,630,882
Requisition:			
Alberta School Foundation Fund	2,174,068	2,170,650	2,133,768
Holy Spirit School Division	302,420	300,254	308,189
Taber & District Housing Authority	77,169	77,104	73,367
	2,553,657	2,548,008	2,515,324
Net taxes available for municipal purposes	\$ 8,452,484	\$ 8,452,488	\$ 8,115,558

Consolidated Schedule of Government Transfers For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015 Schedule 4

	Budget	2016	2015
Transfers for operating:			
Provincial government	\$ 773,593	\$ 791,939	\$ 773,059
Federal government	7,000	13,592	16,660
Other local governments	437,694	438,864	412,094
	1,218,287	1,244,395	1,201,813
Transfers for capital:			
Provincial government	8,837,200	3,210,627	3,546,974
Federal government	-	-	-
Other local governments	-	-	
	8,837,200	3,210,627	3,546,974
Total government transfers	\$ 10,055,487	\$ 4,455,022	\$ 4,748,787

Consolidated Schedule of Expenses by Object For the year ended December 31, 2016, with comparative information for 2015 Schedule 5

	Budget	2016	2015
Salaries, wages and benefits	\$ 8,287,410	\$ 8,291,059	\$ 8,350,935
Contracted and general services	6,809,890	6,320,122	6,489,888
Materials, goods and supplies	2,666,523	2,399,443	2,529,789
Provision for allowances	-	1,791	11,136
Transfers to local boards and agencies	257,592	222,876	230,674
Bank charges and short-term interest	12,225	9,911	7,866
Interest on long-term debt	428,666	428,589	462,739
Amortization of tangible capital assets	4,296,125	4,495,929	4,296,125
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	62,923	189,483
Other	41,301	13,950	162,680
	\$ 22,799,732	\$ 22,246,593	\$ 22,731,315

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Consolidated Schedule of Segmented Disclosure For the year ended December 31, 2016 Schedule 6

	General Government	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Environmental Services	Public Health Services	Planning and Development	Parks and Recreation	Culture and Libraries	Total
Revenue									
Net taxes available for municipal purposes	\$ 8,452,488 \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$	- \$	- 9	\$ 8,452,488
Sales and user fees	11,003	119,548	400,511	6,685,931	47,919	1,041,070	138,618	2,202	8,446,802
Government transfers for operating	3,622	778,903	-	234,137	-	-	148,008	79,725	1,244,395
Penalties and costs of taxes	132,115	-	-	47,639	-	-	-	-	179,754
Fines	-	681,271	-	-	-	-	-	4,696	685,967
Franchise and concession contracts	1,731,703	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,731,703
Investment income	205,074	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,172	207,246
Licenses and permits	97,950	2,140	-	-	1,026	132,885	-	-	234,001
Rentals	47,963	-	-	-	-	198,233	450,755	50,782	747,733
Other	410,737	157,555	-	365,233	-	22,973	32,926	18,867	1,008,291
	11,092,655	1,739,417	400,511	7,332,940	48,945	1,395,161	770,307	158,444	22,938,380
Expenses									
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,268,326	3,045,146	1,041,276	335,758	102,281	720,223	1,444,721	333,328	8,291,059
Contracted and general services	728,753	430,224	771,457	3,473,894	16,316	452,558	362,105	84,815	6,320,122
Materials, goods and supplies	121,462	246,093	512,853	809,957	5,844	42,420	520,397	140,417	2,399,443
Provision for allowances	555	-	-	1,236	-	-	-	-	1,791
Transfers to local boards and agencies	49,855	-	52,400	-	60,085	-	-	60,536	222,876
Bank charges and short-term interest	5,794	-	-	-	-	-	2,492	1,625	9,911
Interest on long-term debt	-	-	17,820	349,859	-	13,173	3,033	44,704	428,589
Amortization of tangible capital assets	135,466	361,700	1,746,622	1,690,317	16,100	64,564	422,707	58,453	4,495,929
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	10,126	(606)	39,065	6,323	-	5,932	2,083	-	62,923
Other	175	-	-	(15,728)	-	27,039	-	2,464	13,950
	2,320,512	4,082,557	4,181,493	6,651,616	200,626	1,325,909	2,757,538	726,342	22,246,593
Annual surplus (deficit) before other	8,772,143	(2,343,140)	(3,780,982)	681,324	(151,681)	69,252	(1,987,231)	(567,898)	691,787
Other	-,,	(=,= :=, : :0)	(-,,0=)	,	(121,301)	,	(, , /	(,)	,
Contributed assets				451,244		2,090,460	115,188		2,656,892
Government transfers for capital	-		2,767,712	283,836		2,090,400	159,079		3,210,627
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 8,772,143 \$	(2,343,140)	\$ (1,013,270)	\$ 1,416,404	\$ (151,681)	\$ 2,159,712 \$	5 (1,712,964) \$	(567,898)	\$ 6,559,306

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended December 31, 2016

1. Significant accounting policies

The consolidated financial statements of the Town of Taber (the "Town") are the representations of management prepared in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards. Significant accounting policies adopted by the Town are as follows:

(a) Reporting entity:

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, change in net financial assets of the reporting entity. This 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 Council for the administration of their financial affairs and resources. Included with the town are the following:

Taber Public Library
Taber Police Commission

Taxes levied also include requisitions for educational, health care, social and other external organizations that are not part of the Town.

The statements exclude trust assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties. A schedule of these trust assets is included in Note 12.

Interdepartmental and organizational transactions and balances have been eliminated.

(b) Basis of accounting:

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards.

(c) Expenses:

Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the obligation to pay.

(d) Pension expenses:

The Municipality participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. This plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan whereby contributions are expensed as incurred.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash and deposits redeemable at managements discretion held with Canadian financial institutions.

(f) 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.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended December 31, 2016

(g) Debt charges recoverable:

Debt charges recoverable consist of amounts that are recoverable from municipal agencies or other local governments with respect to outstanding debentures or other long-term debt pursuant to annexation orders or joint capital undertakings. These recoveries are recorded at a value that equals the offsetting portion of the un-matured long-term debt, less actuarial requirements for the retirement of any sinking fund debentures.

(h) 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 that 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.

(i) Revenues:

Revenue is recorded when it is earned and measurable. Sales and user fees are accounted for in the period in which the events occurred that gave rise to the revenues. Revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services performed or the tangible capital assets are acquired.

(j) Tax revenue:

Tax revenues are recognized once Town Council passes the bylaw approving the current year's tax assessment and tax rate. Tax rate categories include: real property taxes (residential and non-residential), linear property taxes and local improvement taxes. Requisitions operating as flow through arrangements are excluded from revenue. See Schedule 3.

Taxes receivable are measured once the tax rate of the local improvement tax rate bylaw is passed. Taxes receivable are measured at their net realizable value. Net realizable value excludes individually identified taxes in arrears considered uncollectable through the tax recovery process. Taxes received in advance of the next tax year are recorded as a customer credit and liability until the bylaw is passed.

(k) Deferred revenue:

Funds from external parties and earnings thereon restricted by agreement or legislation are accounted for as deferred revenue until used for the purpose specified. Deferred revenue includes amounts received for services yet to be performed as well as government transfers where the stipulations have not yet been met.

(I) 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 in the period that gives rise to the transfer occurring, providing the transfers are authorized, the Town has met any eligible criteria and a reasonable estimate of the amounts can be made.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended December 31, 2016

(m) Landfill closure and post-closure liability:

Pursuant to the Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, the Town is required to fund the closure of its landfill site and provide for post-closure care of the facility. Closure and post-closure activities include the final clay cover, landscaping, as well as surface and ground water monitoring, leachate control, and visual inspection. The landfill site has been closed.

(n) 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 and expenses, provides the consolidated Change in Net Financial Assets for the year.

(i) 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	25-45
Buildings	25-75
Engineered structures	25-75
Machinery and equipment	4-40
Vehicles	4-25

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

(ii) Tangible capital assets disclosed at nominal values:

Where an estimate of fair value could not be made or where there was no future benefit related to the asset, the tangible capital asset was recognized at a nominal value. Land, land improvements, buildings and machinery and equipment are the categories where nominal values were assigned.

(iii) Contributions of tangible capital assets:

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and recorded as revenue.

(iv) Inventories:

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

(v) Interest capitalization:

The Town does not capitalize interest costs associated with the acquisition or construction of tangible capital assets.

(vi) Land held for resale:

Land held for resale is recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost includes costs for land acquisition and improvements required to prepare the land for servicing such as clearing, stripping and leveling charges. Related development costs incurred to provide infrastructure such as water and wastewater services, roads, sidewalks and street lighting are recorded as capital assets under their respective function.

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(o) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality.

Contributions of tangible capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt.

Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(p) Liability for contaminated sites

Contaminated sites are a result of contamination being introduced into air, soil, water, sediment of material (chemical, organic, radioactive) or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard. The Town recognizes a liability for remediation of contaminated sites when the following criteria have been met:

- an environmental standard exists,
- there is evidence that contamination exceeds an environmental standard,
- the Town is directly responsible or accepts responsibility for the contamination
- it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up and,
- a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

Sites that are currently in productive use are only considered contaminated sites if an unexpected event results in remediation. In cases where the Town's responsibility is not determinable, a contingent liability may be disclosed.

The liability reflects the Town's best estimate, as of December 31, of the amount required to remediate non-productive sites to the current minimum standard of use prior to contamination. Where possible, provisions for remediation are based on environmental assessments completed on a site; for those sites where an assessment has not been completed, estimates of the remediation are completed using information available for the site and by extrapolating from the cost to clean up similar sites. The liability is recorded net of any estimated recoveries from third parties. The Town will measure the liability using present value techniques when cash flows are expected to occur over extended future periods.

(q) Future accounting pronouncements:

The following summarizes the upcoming changes to the Public Sector Accounting Standards by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSAB). In 2016, the Town will continue to assess the impact and prepare for the adoption of these standards. While the timing of standard adoption can vary, certain standards must be adopted concurrently.

(i) PS 1201 - Financial Statement Presentation

The implementation of this standard requires a new statement of re-measurement gains and losses separate from the statement of operations. This new statement will include the unrealized gains and losses arising from the remeasurement of financial instruments and items denominated in foreign currency. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2019.

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(q) Future accounting pronouncements (continued):

(ii) PS 3450 - Financial Instruments

This section establishes recognition, measurement, and disclosure requirements for derivative and non-derivative instruments. The standard requires fair value measurements of derivative instruments and equity instruments; all other financial instruments can be measured at either cost or fair value depending upon elections made by the government. Unrealized gains and losses will be presented on the new statement of remeasurement gains and losses arising from the adoption of PS 1201. There will also be a requirement to disclose the nature and extent of risks arising from financial instruments and clarification is given for the de-recognition of financial liabilities. As the Town does not invest in derivatives or equity instruments based on its investment policy, it is anticipated that the adoption of this standard will have a minimal impact on the Town. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2019.

(iii) PS 2601 - Foreign Currency Translation

This section establishes guidance on the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. The section requires monetary assets and liabilities, denominated in a foreign currency and non-monetary items valued at fair value denominated in a foreign currency to be adjusted to reflect the exchange rates in effect at the financial statement date. The resulting unrealized gains and losses are to be presented in the new statement of remeasurement gains and losses. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2019.

(iv) PS 3041 - Portfolio Investments

This section removes the distinction between temporary and portfolio investments and provides additional guidance on recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of these types of investments. Upon adoption of this section and PS 3450, PS 3040 - Portfolio investments will no longer be applicable. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2019.

(v) PS 2200 - Related Party Disclosures

This section provides guidance on the definition of a related party and establishes the disclosure requirements for transactions between related parties. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2017.

(vi) PS 3420 - Inter-Entity Transactions

This section provides guidance on the recognition, measurement and presentation of transactions between entities controlled by a government within the government reporting entity from the perspective of both parties. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2017.

(vii) PS 3210 - Assets

This section provides guidance on the various components related to the definition of an asset and establishes the related disclosure requirements. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2017.

(viii) PS 3320 - Contingent Assets

This section provides a general application standard providing guidance on the definition and disclosures standards related to contingent assets. It is noted that specific types of contingent assets are excluded from this standard. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2017.

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(q) Future accounting pronouncements (continued):

(ix) PS 3430 - Restructure Transactions

This section provides guidance on the recognition, measurement and presentation on restructuring transactions by both the transferor and recipients of assets or liabilities, together with related program or operating responsibilities. This section is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2018.

(x) PS 3380 - Contractual Rights

This section provides guidance on the disclosure of rights, including their nature, extent, and timing. This section is effective for years beginning on or after April 1, 2017.

The requirements in PS 1201, PS 3450, PS 2601, and PS 3041 are required to be implemented at the same time.

2. Cash and temporary investments

	2016	2015
Cash Temporary investments (market value 2016 - \$11,866,469; 2015	\$ 3,040,171	\$ 1,578,555
- \$13,276,108)	11,773,851	13,203,288
	\$ 14,814,022	\$ 14,781,843

The temporary investments are comprised of short-term deposits issued by a Canadian financial institution. These investments mature between May 16, 2017 to September 26, 2017, but are redeemable at management's discretion.

Included in temporary investments are restricted amounts of \$427,217, \$162,152, and \$79,948 received from Municipal Sustainability Initiative, Federal Gas Tax Fund, and Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership Grant respectively and held exclusively for capital infrastructure projects (note 6).

3. Taxes and grants in lieu receivable

	2016	2015
Current taxes and grants in lieu of taxes Tax arrears	\$ 535,879 156,782	\$ 450,312 108,242
	\$ 692,661	\$ 558,554

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4. Long-term investments

	20)16		20)15	
	Cost		Market Value	Cost		Market Value
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$ 755,660	\$	766,528	\$ 753,397	\$	774,977
Corporate bonds	611,447		616,235	960,300		971,611
Patronage reserves - United Farmers of Alberta	3,418		3,418	3,402		3,402
Shares in Alberta Capital Finance Authority	40		40	40		40
Shares in 1st Choice Savings & Credit Union Ltd.	54		54	54		54
	\$ 1,370,619	\$	1,386,275	\$ 1,717,193	\$	1,750,084

Guaranteed Investment Certificates have effective interest rates of 2.50% to 2.91% (2015 - 2.50% to 2.91%) with maturity dates from February 5, 2018 to May 16, 2019.

Corporate bonds have effective yield rates of 2.49% to 2.94% (2015 - 2.49% to 2.94%) with maturity dates from January 30, 2019 to December 6, 2019.

5. Employee benefit obligations

	2016	2015
Vacation and other entitlements	\$ 476,711	\$ 523,198

The Vacation and other entitlements liability consists of the vacation, overtime, flex and sick leave that employees are deferring to future years. Employees have either earned the benefits or are entitled to these benefits within the next budgetary year.

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6. Deferred revenue and government transfers

	2016	2015
Deferred revenue	243,297	306,722
Government contributions (1)	759,077	1,999,584
Prepaid Taxes	47,254	36,266
	\$ 1,049,628	\$ 2,342,572

⁽¹⁾ Government contributions in deferred revenue consist of the following:

	2	015 Balance	Grants Received & Interest Recognized	Government Transfer Revenue	201	16 Balance
Municipal Sustainability Initiative Grant	\$	1,485,502	\$ 1,866,506	\$ (2,924,791)	\$	427,217
Federal Gas Tax Fund		422,874	3,465	(264,187)		162,152
Other Grants		91,208	91,760	(91,208)		91,760
	\$	1,999,584	\$ 1,961,731	\$ (3,280,186)	\$	681,129

7. Provision for landfill post-closure costs

Alberta Environmental law requires closure and post-closure of landfill sites, which includes final covering and landscaping, pumping of ground water and leachates from the site, and on-going environmental monitoring, site inspections and maintenance.

The estimated total liability of \$281,210 for 2016 (2015 - \$297,177) is based on the sum of discounted future cash flows for post-closure activities for 13 years (2015 - 14 years) using a discount rate of 1.6% (2015 - 1.5%) and assuming annual inflation of 1.8% (2015 - 1.9%).

The Town has not designated assets for settling post-closure liabilities.

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8. Long-term debt

			2016	2015
Tax supported: Debenture issued for the construction of library	rary bu	ilding	\$ 970,087	\$ 1,046,003
Self supported: Debenture from debt charges recoverable (Taber Golf Club)			75,855	99,438
Debenture from debt charges recoverable (Taber Gymnastics Fitness Club)			402,087	413,727
Amortization fund bearing interest at 6.5% (no	ote 16)		5,576,652	6,031,889
			7,024,681	7,591,057
Current portion			570,936	566,376
			\$ 6,453,745	\$ 7,024,681
		Principal	Interest	Total
2017	\$	570,936	\$ 395,748	\$ 966,684
2018		575,686	362,256	937,942
2019		580,633	328,565	909,198
2020		558,697	294,903	853,600
2021 Thereafter		563,109 4,175,620	261,747 940,959	824,856 5,116,579
	\$	7,024,681	\$ 2,584,178	\$ 9,608,859

The Town is under agreement with the Taber Golf Club for the repayment of a debenture taken out for the benefit of the club. The full principal and interest costs for the debenture are recovered from the club.

The Town is under agreement with the Taber Gymnastics Fitness Club for the repayment of a debenture taken out for the benefit of the club. The full principal and interest costs for the debenture are recovered from the club.

Debenture debt issued for the construction of the library building is repayable to Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at 4.365% and matures in 2026.

Debenture debt issued to Taber Golf Club is repayable to Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at 3.494% and matures in 2019.

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8. Long-term debt (continued)

Debenture debt issued to Taber Gymnastics Fitness Club is repayable to Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at 3.228% and matures in 2039.

During the year, on a cash basis, the Town paid \$428,589 on interest on long-term debt.

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

The amortization fund is owing to the operator of the agreement described in note 16. It bears interest at 6.500% and matures in 2029. Effective February 1, 2017, these amounts was paid in full as described in note 18.

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:

	2016	2015
Total debt limit Total debt	\$ 34,407,570 (7,024,681)	\$ 32,278,338 (7,591,057)
Amount of debt limit unused	\$ 27,382,889	\$ 24,687,281
Debt servicing limit Debt servicing	\$ 5,734,595 (966,684)	\$ 5,379,723 (994,965)
Amount of debt servicing limit unused	\$ 4,767,911	\$ 4,384,758

The debt limit is calculated at 1.5 times revenue of the Town (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 which could be at financial risk if further debt is acquired. The calculation taken alone does not represent the financial stability of the Town. Rather, the financial statements must be interpreted as a whole.

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10. Tangible capital assets

	2016	2015
Land for Municipal Use	\$ 1,375,518	\$ 1,375,518
Land Improvements	2,063,125	2,139,138
Buildings	10,464,683	10,376,409
Engineering Structures	104,520,260	101,832,445
Machinery & Equipment	4,297,934	3,413,521
Vehicles	1,317,039	1,253,986
Work in Progress	1,195,498	599,432
	\$125,234,057	\$120,990,449

Contributed capital assets received and recognized in the year relate primarily to a private subdivision developers contributing roads, curbs and sidewalks, water distribution systems, sanitary waste collection systems, and storm water systems (\$2,090,460); a contribution of buildings and machinery & equipment (\$451,243) from the Taber and District Regional Waste Management Authority; as well as, a contribution of a permanent stage (\$115,189) from the Taber Chamber of Commerce. Contributed capital assets received in 2015 relate to the contribution from the Taber Gymnastics Fitness Club for various buildings and machinery & equipment, and recorded on the consolidated financial statements is \$656,227.

11. Accumulated surplus

	2016	2015
General government operations Taber Public Library	\$133,704,447 175,713	\$127,119,394 201,460
	\$133,880,160	\$127,320,854

Accumulated surplus consists of restricted and unrestricted amounts and equity in tangible capital assets as follows:

	2016	2015
Unrestricted surplus Reserves Equity in tangible capital assets	\$ 2,789,274 12,403,568 118,687,318	\$ 3,340,037 10,068,260 113,912,557
	\$133,880,160	\$127,320,854

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended December 31, 2016

11. Accumulated surplus (continued)

Reserves are comprised of funds internally restricted as follows:

		Transfers	Transfers	
	2015	in	out	2016
General operations	\$ 758,735	\$ 435,598	\$ (384,088)	\$ 810,245
Off street parking	6,700	-	-	6,700
Continuing projects	-	-	-	-
Police Commission	32,282	-	-	32,282
Health and safety	83,930	33,404	(20,736)	96,598
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	-	-
General capital	2,218,134	1,369,140	(2,019,400)	1,567,874
Infrastructure	2,202,598	1,847,658	(1,011,158)	3,039,098
Buildings	488,265	132,058	(9,649)	610,674
Equipment	378,291	2,257,265	(1,606,851)	1,028,705
Land	1,333,091	993,500	(18,952)	2,307,639
Vehicles	1,167,392	185,540	(345, 163)	1,007,769
Energy conservation	254,732	137,658	(7,492)	384,898
Funds held in place of				
municipal reserves	152,392	3,753	-	156,145
Development levies	991,718	363,223	-	1,354,941
	\$ 10,068,260	\$ 7,758,797	\$ (5,423,489)	\$ 12,403,568

Equity in tangible capital assets

	2016	2015
Net book value of tangible capital assets Long-term debt Debt charges recoverable	\$125,234,057 (7,024,681) 477,942	\$120,990,449 (7,591,057) 513,165
	\$118,687,318	\$113,912,557

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12. Trust funds

The Town administers the following trusts on behalf of parties external to the reporting entity:

	2015	Increases	Decreases	2016
Community trust	\$ 109,391	\$ 228	\$ _	\$ 109,619
Highway 3 Association	14,818	25,882	9,215	31,485
Transfer station trust	106,900	-	106,900	-
Police trust	1,491	-	-	1,491
	\$ 232,600	\$ 26,110	\$ 116,115	\$ 142,595

These amounts are not reflected in the financial position of the Town.

13. Salary and benefits disclosure

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

			2016	2015
	(1)	Benefits &		
	Salary ⁽¹⁾	Allowances (2,3)	Total	Total
Members of Council				
Mayor H. DeVlieger	30,000	817	30,817	30,817
Councillors:				
R. Popadynetz	18,750	446	19,196	18,679
R. Sparks	18,000	421	18,421	18,937
J. Brewin	18,000	421	18,421	18,679
J. Strojwas	18,000	421	18,421	19,454
A. Prokop	18,000	421	18,421	18,421
L. Ross-Giroux	18,750	446	19,196	18,421
Chief Administrative Officer	112,093	22,730	134,823	170,057
Acting CAO	13,104	, <u>-</u>	13,104	, <u> </u>
Acting CAO	13,104	-	13,104	-
Acting CAO	13,104	-	13,104	

- (1) Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime, lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.
- (2) Benefits and allowances figures include the Town's share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of the employee.
- (3) Benefits and allowances figures also include the Town's share of the costs of additional taxable benefits including travel allowances and car allowances.

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14. Pension plans

Employees of the Town qualify to belong to one of the following defined-benefits pension plans:

(a) Local Authorities Pension Plan

The Town participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. The plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan.

Employees of the Town, with the exception of police officers, 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 244,621 people and 426 employers. The LAPP is financed by employer and employee contributions and by investment earnings of the LAPP Fund.

Contributions for current services are recorded as expenses in the year in which they become

The Town is required to make current service contributions to the LAPP of 11.39% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 15.84% on pensionable earnings above this amount. Employees of the Town are required to make current service contributions of 10.39% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings and 14.84% on pensionable earnings above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the Town to the LAPP in 2016 were \$430,778 (2015 - \$407,357). Total current service contributions by the employees of the Town to the LAPP in 2016 were \$398,591 (2015 - \$374,077).

At December 31, 2015 the LAPP disclosed an actuarial deficit of \$923.4 million (2014 - deficit of \$2.455 billion).

(b) Special Forces Pension Plan

The Town participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. The plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan.

Police officers employed by the Town, including management, participate in the Special Forces Pension Plan (SFPP), which is one of the plans covered by the Alberta Public Sector Pension Plans Act. The SFPP serves about 6,993 people and 7 employers. The plan is financed by employer and employee contributions and by investment earnings of the SFPP Fund.

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

The Town is required to make current service contributions to the SFPP of 14.55% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 14.55% on pensionable earnings above this amount. Police officers of the Town are required to make current service contributions of 13.45% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings and 13.45% on pensionable earnings above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the Town to the SFPP in 2016 were \$192,495 (2015 - \$204,007). Total current service contributions by the police officers of the Town to the SFPP in 2016 were \$177,942 (2015 - \$188,584).

At December 31, 2015 the SFPP Plan disclosed an actuarial deficit of \$161.6 million (2014 - deficit of \$191.0 million).

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15. Contingent liabilities

- (a) Various claims have been made against the Town as at December 31, 2016. If proven, it is possible that these claims may have an adverse effect on the financial position of the Town. The Town believes that these claims are without substantial merit and as such, the Town is disputing the claims. As the outcomes are not determinable at this time, no amount has been accrued in the financial statements.
- (b) The Town has not recognized liabilities relating to certain obligations, primarily environmental and other liabilities relating to facilities, equipment and land. These liabilities are not recognized as the dates of remediation are unknown and as such the fair value of these liabilities cannot be reasonably determined.

16. Commitments

The Town has entered into an agreement with a service provider to construct, operate and finance the upgrade and operation of its water, waste water and certain storm water functions. The term of the agreement is for 20 years from the effective date, with an option to extend the contract for an additional 10 year period. Under the terms of the agreement, the Town transferred specific inventories held for consumption and tangible capital assets related to the service provider, at a nominal amount. Effective February 1, 2017, this agreement was mutually terminated as decribed in note 18.

Consideration to be paid for services as stipulated in the agreement includes:

- (a) an amortization fund, aggregating \$18,498,136, to be paid to the Operator by the Town in 240 consecutive monthly blended payments including interest at 6.5%. The Town is able to apply specific grant funding it receives to this fund to reduce the future payments required;
- (b) an operational component comprised of annual operating fees of approximately \$1,890,496 per annum, paid to the operator and adjusted annually for certain factors as outlined in the agreement;
- (c) a cost plus variable management fee component for any future capital additions required for operations.

Upon termination of the agreement, title of all related assets will transfer to the Town.

17. Financial instruments

The Town's financial instruments consist of cash and temporary investments, taxes and grants in lieu receivable, trade and other receivables, long-term investments, debt charges recoverable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, employee benefit obligations, deposit liabilities and long-term debt. It is management's opinion that the Town is not exposed to significant interest, currency or liquidity risk arising from these financial instruments.

The Town is subject to credit risk with respect to taxes and grants in lieu receivable, 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 minimized the credit risk.

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18. Subsequent event

Effective Febrauary 1, 2017 the Town mutally agreed to terminate the agreement with its service provider to construct, operate and finance the upgrade and operation of its water, waste water and certain storm water functions.

Consideration of the terminated agreement includes:

- (a) The Town retained all the staff from the operations of its water, waste water and storm water functions from its service provider. The Town retained all the machinery and equipment, inventory and vehicles from the service provider on the date of transition.
- (b) The Town refinaced the amortization fund paying the full amount of the principal balance outstanding on February 1, 2017. The debenture debt issued for the upgrade to its water and waste water treatment plant is repayable to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC")

19. Segmented disclosure

Segmented disclosures (Schedule 6) have been identified based upon lines of service provided by the Town. Town services are provided by departments and their activities are reported by functional area in the body of the consolidated financial statements. Certain lines of service that have been separately disclosed in the segmented financial information, along with the services they provide, are as follows:

(a) General government

The mandate of general government includes all taxation, Council and administrative functional activities.

(b) Protective services

The mandate of protective services is to provide for the rescue and protection of people and property within the Town through effective and efficient management and coordination of emergency service systems and resources.

(c) Transportation services

The mandate of transportation services is the delivery of municipal public works services relating to the planning, development and maintenance of roadway systems, streets, walks, lighting, storm water flows and public transit.

(d) Environmental services

The mandate of environmental services is the delivery of utility services including water supply and distribution services, wastewater treatment and disposal activities, and solid waste and recycling management.

(e) Public health services

The mandate of public health services is the contribution to Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) and the administration and maintenance of the cemetery.

(f) Planning and development

The mandate of planning and development is the administration of residential, commercial and industrial development services, and operation and maintenance of Town owned buildings.

(g) Parks and recreation

The mandate of parks and recreation includes the operation and maintenance of parks, sportsfields, and recreation and community facilities within the Town.

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19. Segmented disclosure (continued)

(h) Culture and libraries

The mandate of culture and libraries includes the operation and maintenance of the community auditorium and meeting rooms, and the support of the Taber Public Library and the ownership of the building.

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 adopted by the Town as a whole.

20. Related party transactions

During the year, the Town entered into transactions aggregating \$501,964 (2015 - \$571,651) related to construction with a company in which an elected official has a financial interest. The transactions were carried out in the normal course of operations pursuant to the Town's purchasing and procurement policies.

During the year, the Town received fees aggregating \$6,971 (2015 - \$2,052) related to development permits with a company in which an elected official has a financial interest. The transactions were carried out in the normal course of operations pursuant to the Town's fee schedules.

21. Comparative figures

The comparative figures for the 2015 year have been reclassified to conform with the 2016 financial statement presentation.

22. Budget

The budget information was approved by Council on April 25, 2016.

23. Approval of financial statements

These financial statements have been approved by Council and Management.