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TOWN OF STETTLER

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO: The Mayor and Council The Town of Stettler

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Town of Stettler, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2018 and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets (debt) and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the town as at December 31, 2018, the results of its operations, change in accumulated surplus and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the town in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the ability of the town to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the town's financial reporting process.



Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing
 an opinion on the effectiveness of the town's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the town's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the town to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Stettler, Alberta April 16, 2019

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS



TOWN OF STETTLER CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2018

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
FINANCIAL ASSETS Cash and Temporary Investments (Note 2) Taxes and Grants-in-lieu Receivables (Note 3) Local Improvement Taxes Receivable Trade and Other Receivables Receivable from Governments Land Inventory Held for Resale Long-term Investments (Note 4) Other Assets TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	\$ 9,033,725 237,712 1,454,350 1,415,165 332,183 393,882 40 1,351 \$ 12,868,408	\$ 6,979,759 248,231 1,575,400 1,394,547 588,688 393,881 40 681 \$ 11,181,227
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities Deposit Liabilities Deferred Revenue (Note 5) Other Long-term Liabilities (Note 19) Long- term Debt (Note 7) TOTAL LIABILITIES NET FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT)	\$ 1,714,427 20,350 1,647,986 105,359 6,004,090 \$ 9,492,212 \$ 3,376,196	\$ 1,689,595 22,025 451,674 105,359 6,502,626 \$ 8,771,279 \$ 2,409,948
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS Tangible Capital Assets (Note 9) Prepaid Expenses TOTAL NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 11)	99,269,005 17,781 \$ 99,286,786 \$ 102,662,982	102,714,924 53,514 \$ 102,768,438 \$ 105,178,386
CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 15) Mayor		Date

TOWN OF STETTLER CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

DEVENUE	(2018 Budget Unaudited)		<u>2018</u> <u>Actual</u>		<u>2017</u> <u>Actual</u>
REVENUES Net Taxes (Schedule 3) Sales and User Fees Government Transfers (Schedule 4) Investment Income Penalties and Costs on Taxes Licenses and Permits Fines Franchise and Concession Contracts Rentals Gain on Sale of Tangible Capital Assets	\$	5,791,526 5,270,128 1,495,789 90,960 82,950 155,250 81,700 1,603,110 791,972	\$	5,787,901 5,525,953 1,550,941 191,951 88,062 145,118 64,941 1,551,013 743,456	\$	6,101,253 5,408,754 1,469,092 127,709 84,411 150,329 65,266 1,156,040 798,372
Other Total Revenue	\$	15,363,385	\$	1,713 15,651,049	\$	(38) 15,361,188
EXPENDITURES (Schedule 5) Legislative Administration Protective Services Transportation Water Supply and Distribution Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Waste Management Public Health and Welfare Subdivision Land Development Recreation, Culture and Parks Amortization (Note 18) Total Expenditures	\$	204,390 1,101,225 2,320,619 2,152,616 2,269,658 536,513 705,120 261,425 1,039,922 3,166,700 - 13,758,188	\$	194,661 1,057,600 2,107,860 2,198,825 2,131,735 471,326 681,293 238,654 1,005,965 3,114,694 6,208,320 19,410,933	\$	185,901 1,067,367 2,055,751 1,810,364 2,113,102 619,278 816,065 250,394 808,018 3,063,128 6,090,573 18,879,941
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE EXPENSES - BEFORE OTHER	\$	1,605,197	\$	(3,759,884)	\$	(3,518,753)
OTHER Government Transfers for Capital (Schedule 4)		2,841,322	_	1,244,480	_	2,601,557
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES		4,446,519		(2,515,404)		(917,196)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		105,178,386		105,178,386		106,095,582
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$	109,624,905	\$	102,662,982	\$	105,178,386

TOWN OF STETTLER CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	<u>2018</u> <u>Budget</u> <u>Unaudited</u>	<u>2018</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>Actual</u>
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ -	\$ (2,515,404)	\$ (917,196)
Acquisition of Tangible Capital Assets Proceeds on Disposal of Tangible Capital Assets	-	(2,875,073) 83,350	(4,567,459)
Amortization of Tangible Capital Assets (Gain) Loss on Sale of Tangible Capital Assets	-	6,208,320 29,322	6,090,573 180,388
	<u> </u>	\$ 3,445,919	\$ 1,703,502
Acquisition of Prepaid Assets Use of Prepaid Assets	-	(17,781) 53,514	(53,514) 46,483
	<u> </u>	\$ 35,733	\$ (7,031)
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN NET DEBT	<u>\$</u>	\$ 966,248	\$ 779,275
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT), BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 2,409,948	\$ 1,630,673
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT), END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 3,376,196	\$ 2,409,948

TOWN OF STETTLER CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:	<u>2018</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>Actual</u>
OPERATING Excess (Shortfall) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (2,515,404)	\$ (917,196)
Non-cash items included in excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenditures: Amortization of Tangible Capital Assets (Note 18) (Gain) Loss on Disposal of Tangible Capital Assets	6,208,320 29,322	6,090,573 180,388
Non-cash Charges to Operations (net change): Taxes and Grants-in-lieu Receivables Local Improvement Taxes Receivables Government Trade and Other Receivables Other Financial Assets Prepaid Expenses Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities Land Held for Resale Deferred Revenue Long Term Liability Deposit Liabilities Net Cash Provided by (used in) Operating Activities	10,519 121,050 235,887 (670) 35,733 24,832 (1) 1,196,312 - (1,675) 5,344,225	(10,796) (325,223) 108,447 1,010 (7,031) 20,535 16,337 (1,008,708) (19,352) 600 4,129,584
CAPITAL Acquisition of Tangible Capital Assets Sale of Tangible Capital Assets Cash Applied to Capital Transactions	(2,875,073) 83,350 (2,791,723)	(4,567,459) (4,567,459)
INVESTING Decrease (increase) in Restricted Cash or Cash Equivalents Cash Provided by (Applied to) Investing Transactions	(1,086,491) (1,086,491)	<u>884,953</u> <u>884,953</u>
FINANCING Other Long-Term Debt Long-Term Debt Issued Long-Term Debt Repaid Cash Provided by (Applied to) Financing Transactions	- (498,536) (498,536)	(476,555) (476,555)
CHANGE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS DURING THE YEAR	\$ 967,475	\$ (29,477)
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	6,528,085	6,557,562
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 7,495,560	\$ 6,528,085
Cash and Cash Equivalents is Made up of: Cash and Temporary Investments (Note 2) Less: Restricted Portion of Cash and Temporary Investments (Note 2)	\$ 9,033,725 (1,538,165) \$ 7,495,560	\$ 6,979,759 (451,674) \$ 6,528,085

	TOWN OF	TOWN OF STETTLER			
SCH	HEDULE 1 - CHANGES	- CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	D SURPLUS		
	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018	ED DECEMBER 3'	1, 2018		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Equity in Tangible	2018	2017
	Surplus	Surplus	Capital Assets	Actual	Actual
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,516,449	6,449,639	96,212,298	105,178,386	106,095,582
Excess (deficiency) of Revenues over Expense	(2,515,404)	1	ı	(2.515,404)	(917,196)
Unrestricted Funds Designated for Future Use	(2,687,464)	2,687,464			1
Restricted Funds Used for Operations	432,625	(432,625)		1	1
Restricted Funds Used for TCA		(1,827,489)	1,827,489	The state of the s	The second secon
Current Year Funds Used for TCA	(964,234)		964,234	1	
Donated and Contributed TCA					1
Disposal of TCA	29,322		(29,322)		
Annual Amortization Expense	6,208,320		(6,208,320)	I	1
Long Term Debt Repaid	(498,536)		498,536	1	1
Long Term Debt Used for TCA		THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPE	T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T		
Long Term Debt Issued					
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		0101	11000		(007 1170)
Change in Accumulated Surplus	4,629	427,350	(2,947,383)	(2,515,404)	(917,196)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	2,521,078	6,876,989	93,264,915	102,662,982	105,178,386

			TOWN OF STETTLER	TLER				
		SCHEDULE	2 - TANGIBLE CAPITAL	CAPITAL ASSETS	TS			
		FOR THE YE	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER	CEMBER 31, 2017	017			
	Land	Land	Buildings	Engineered	Machinery and	Vehicles	2018	2017
		Improvements		Structures	Equipment		Actual	Actual
COST:								
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,460,741	5,849,715	56,820,389	110,128,570	6,566,538	4,092,261	184,918,214	181,624,502
Acquistition of Tangible Capital Assets	ſ	370,352	557,308	1,204,713	742,700	1	2,875,073	4,567,459
Construction-in-Progress				(540 777)	(600 024)	ı	1 460 740)	- (4 070 747)
Write Down of Tangible Capital Assets	I	P		(040,777)	(178,026)	[(1,103,740)	(1,273,747)
L								
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1,460,741	6,220,067	57,377,697	110,684,506	6,788,267	4,092,261	186,623,539	184,918,214
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION:								
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3	1,926,329	14,022,064	61,374,623	2,851,387	2,028,887	82,203,290	77,206,076
Annual Amortization		254,292	1,145,276	4,185,545	418,974	204,233	6,208,320	6,090,573
Accumulated Amortization on Disposals				(617,015)	(440,061)	1	(1,057,076)	(1,093,359)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1	2,180,621	15,167,340	64,943,153	2,830,300	2,233,120	87,354,534	82,203,290
2018 NET BOOK VALUE OF								
TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	1,460,741	4,039,446	42,210,357	45,741,353	3,957,967	1,859,141	99,269,005	102,714,924
2017 NET BOOK VALUE OF								
TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	1,460,741	3,923,386	42,798,325	48,753,947	3,715,151	2,063,374	102,714,924	

TOWN OF STETTLER SCHEDULE 3 - PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	<u>2018</u> <u>Budget</u> (Unaudited)	<u>2018</u> <u>Actual</u>	2017 Actual
TAXATION			
Real Property Taxes	\$ 8,226,139	\$ 8,222,609	\$ 7,971,808
Linear Property Taxes	158,245	158,245	149,037
Government Grants-in-lieu of Property Taxes	37,874	37,874	37,139
Special Assessments and Local Improvement Taxes	-	-	448,724
Business Taxes	6,450	6,375	6,300
Subtotal	\$ 8,428,708	\$ 8,425,103	\$ 8,613,008
REQUISITIONS			
Alberta School Foundation Fund - Basic	2,322,377	2,322,377	2,221,393
Seniors Foundation	314,393	314,393	290,362
Designated Industrial Property	412	432	_
Subtotal	\$ 2,637,182	\$ 2,637,202	\$ 2,511,755
NET MUNICIPAL TAXES	\$ 5,791,526	\$ 5,787,901	\$ 6,101,253

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		SCHEDUL FOR THE Y	ULE 6 - SEGMEN ED DISCLOSURE E YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018	ED DISCLOSU ECEMBER 31, 2	RE 1018			
			;					
	General	Protective	Iransporation	Environmental	Public Health	Planning &	Recreation	2018
	COVELLINEIL	Sei vices		Protection	A VGII	Development	a Callaig	Actual
REVENUE:								
Net Municipal Taxes	5,787,901							5,787,901
Sales to Other Governments	32,000							32,000
Sales and User Charges	41,554	48,270	12,226	4,752,967	23,074	264,434	351,428	5,493,953
Penalities and Costs on Taxes	63,124			24,938				88,062
Licenses and Permits	La L	101,727				43,391		145,118
Fines		64,941						64,941
Franchise and Concession Contracts	1,551,013							1,551,013
Returns on Investments	159,246	2,419	25,466	2,309	1,269	1,242		191,951
Rentals	A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR		6,377		And the second s	270,647	466,432	743,456
Contributed and Donated Assets		E			A. A	And the state of t	9	
Federal Government Transfers							6,396	6,396
Provincial Government Transfers	1	400,888	279,385	786,552	157,148	2,393	214,153	1,840,519
Local Government Transfers	ı	470,485	4,500		ı		473,521	948,506
Other Revenues	029	1			-	1	1,043	1,713
Total Revenue	7,635,508	1,088,730	327,954	5,566,766	181,491	582,107	1,512,973	16,895,529
EXPENSES:						1	1	1
Salaries , Wages and Benefits	840,294	5/2,249	709,068	1,189,540	34,992	458,290	1,747,097	5,793,069
Contracted and General Services	331,466	361,786	305,039	689,127	1,002	260,213	320,352	2,268,985
Purchases from Other Governments		986,091						986,091
Materials, Goods, Supplies and Utilities	42,359	185,625	898,585	802,633	6,225	261,898	727,199	2,924,524
Provision for Allowance				16,407	t		ı	16,407
Transfer to Other Governments						284	ı	284
Transfer to Local Boards and Agencies				369,024	196,435		271,244	836,703
Transfer to Individuals and Organizations			3,255	1,700	25,279	1	5,393	35,627
Bank Charges	8,459			265			5,725	14,449
Interest on Capital Long Term Debt	29,701		42,979	159,020			33,398	265,098
Net Loss on Sale of TCA		I	22,537	2,532			4,253	29,322
Other Expenditures	(18)	•	1	32,040		_	32	32,054
Total Expense	1,252,261	2,105,751	2,223,002	3,262,288	263,933	980,685	3,114,693	13,202,613
NET REVENUE, BEFORE								
AMORTIZATION	6,383,247	(1,017,021)	(1,895,048)	2,304,478	(82,442)	(398,578)	(1,601,720)	3,692,916
Amortization	89,585	145,470	4,118,171	998,947	2,376	145,899	707,872	6,208,320
NET REVENUE	6,293,662	(1,162,491)	(6,013,219)	1,305,531	(84,818)	(544,477)	(2,309,592)	(2,515,404)

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements of the Town of Stettler 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 Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. Significant aspects of the accounting policies adopted by the Town are as follows:

(a) Reporting Entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures, changes in fund balances and change in financial position of the reporting entity. This entity is comprised of all 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. Included with the municipality are the following:

Town of Stettler Fire Department Stettler Regional Board of Trade and Community Development

The schedule of taxes levied also includes requisitions for educational, 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 measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable 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 for local governments 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 expenditure 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 that a temporary decline, the respective investment is written down to recognize the loss.

(e) 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 underlevy 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.

(f) 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 physical assets under their respective function.

(g) 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 extimates of the amounts can be determined.

(h) 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, provided the consolidated Change in Net Financial Assets (Debt) 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	15 - 45
Buildings	25 - 50
Engineered Structures	
Roadway System	5 - 60
Water System	45 - 75
Wastewater System	45 - 75
Storm System	45 - 75
Machinery and Equipment	5 - 40
Vehicles	7 - 25

One-half of the annual amortization is charged in the year of acquisition and in the year of disposal. Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

ii) 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.

iii) 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.

(i) Cash & Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, accounts with banks and short-term, highly liquid investments with maturity dates not in excess of 1 year at the date of purchase.

(i) Pensions

Pension cost included in these statements comprise the cost of employer contributions for current service of employees during the year. The municipality participates in the multi-employer Local Authorities Pension Plan.

2. CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Cash Temporary Investments	\$ 7,033,725 2,000,000	\$ 6,979,759
Total	\$ 9,033,725	\$ 6,979,759

Interest is earned on the General Account at Prime Rate less 1.65%. Included in Cash and Temporary Investments is a restricted amount of \$1,538,165 (2017 - \$451,674) received from various Provincial Programs and related to deferred grant funding (Note 5). The temporary investment is non-redeemable, bears interest at 2.73% and matures in September 2019.

Included in cash is a restricted balance of \$48,079 (2017 - \$66,064) related to trust funds held at year end (Note 12).

3. TAXES AND GRANTS IN LIEU RECEIVABLES

	<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>
Current and Grants-in-lieu Arrears Taxes Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	112	,536 \$,687 ,511)	146,307 114,435 (12,511)
Total	\$ 237	<u>,712</u> \$	248,231

4. LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS

Police Assistance

Basic Municipal Transportation

	<u>2</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
AMFC Shares, at Cost	\$	40 \$	40
Total	<u>\$</u>	40 \$	40
5. DEFERRED REVENUE	<u>2</u>	<u> 2018</u>	<u> 2017</u>
Municipal Sustainability Initiative New Deal Communities	\$ 1	,310,117 \$ 76,718	252,452

 Other
 12,477
 11,595

 Other - P&L
 12,830
 18,868

 Other - BOT
 96,991
 82,263

 Total
 \$ 1,647,986
 \$ 451,674

86,904

51,949

86,496

Conditional grants are deferred until the prescribed expenditures are made.

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Reserves for operating and capital activities changed as follows:

Operating Reserves	<u> 2017</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u> 2018</u>
RCMP (Records Check)	57,417	5,809	541	62,685
Rescue Van	126,002	29,588	23,347	132,243
Land Farmed Site	7,650			7,650
Walking Pathway	67,982			67,982
Landfill Site Maintenance	3,000			3,000
Perpetual Care	66,064	6,715	24,700	48,079
West Stettler Planning	3,747			3,747
BOT Community Event	11,000			11,000
Building Maintenance	30,800	2,200		33,000
SCR Building Maintenance	41,561		32,350	9,211
Culture	96,000	15,000		111,000
Office Automation	7,825			7,825
RCMP Contract	230,000			230,000
Street Light Replacement	52,280	16,510		68,790
Mun 2000 Beautification	13,139			13,139
Coat Exterior Reservoir	40,000			40,000
Sewer Offsite	272,566			272,566
SE Insustrial Planning	50,000			50,000
Land Development	1,145,469		8,655	1,136,814
Health Unit	12,500			12,500
Playbround Program	3,000			3,000
Tree Maintenance	2,950	3,000		5,950
Senior HUB	311	6,000	5,394	917
Gravel	35,300			35,300

Cold Lake Survey		13,250						13,250
SRC Projection System		2,712						2,712
Community Orchard		8,560		49,666		44,568		13,658
ARB		6,000		10,000		,000		6,000
WTS Operations		81,129						81,129
Memorial Park		4,864						4,864
Slurrey Seal		48,942				45,000		3,942
Trade Show		45,628		23,061		40,000		68,689
In Memorium		23,818		20,001		457		23,361
Water Well Building		50,000				401		50,000
General Reserve		1,620,423		513,680		366,799		1,767,304
Available for Capital		395,461		570,579		733,365		232,675
Utilities - Other		419,651		361,336		325,669		455,318
Utilities - Water		677,144		493,060		323,009		836,001
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Total Operating Reserves	\$	5,774,145	\$	2,096,204	<u>\$</u>	1,945,048	\$	5,925,301
Capital Reserves		2017	,	norozeoe	г)aaraacac		<u>2018</u>
Admin Equipment/Computer		56,669	1	ncreases	느	<u>Jecreases</u>		
Disaster Services				26,900		46,509		37,060
Chainlink Fence		6,008						6,008
		9,646 2,880						9,646
Compost Bins/Pads		•						2,880
Cemetery		2,497						2,497
GIS System		6,703		400.000				6,703
Fire Equipment		250,299		100,000				350,299
Common Services Equipment		20,000						20,000
Drainage		29,582						29,582
Sewer		13,900		407.400				13,900
Community Hall		24,063		197,460				221,523
Campground Expansion		20,986						20,986
WTP		30,698						30,698
Senior Centre		19,250						19,250
ML Sports Park		16,419						16,419
Cemetery Road		150,000				1,657		148,343
Water Dispensing System		3,220						3,220
Recreation Agreement		<u>-</u>		266,900		266,900		-
Fishing Pier		8,780						8,780
East Industrial Loop		3,894	_					3,894
Total Capital Reserves	<u>\$</u>	675,494	<u>\$</u>	591,260	<u>\$</u>	315,066	\$	951,688
TOTAL DESTRICTED FUNDS	φ.	C 440 C20	•	0.007.404	•	0.000.444	•	0.070.000
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	<u>\$</u>	6,449,639	<u>\$</u>	2,687,464	<u>\$</u>	2,260,114	\$	6,876,989
7. LONG-TERM DEBT								
						<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>
Tax Supported Debentures					\$	1,488,761	\$	1,634,169
Self Supported Debentures		•			Ψ	4,515,329	Ψ	4,868,457
Con Cupported Deportures						7,010,020		-1,000,701
Total					\$	6,004,090	\$	6,502,626
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Principal and interest repayments are due as follows:

	<u> </u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2019	\$	521,568	\$ 245,491	\$ 767,059
2020		478,163	221,356	699,519
2021		499,514	200,004	699,518
2022		488,528	177,683	666,211
2023		502,626	156,231	658,857
Thereafter		<u>3,513,691</u>	 <u>589,405</u>	 4,103,096
Total	<u>\$</u>	6,004,090	\$ 1,590,170	\$ 7,594,260

Debenture debt is repayable to Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at rates ranging from 2.306% to 6.500% per annum, and mature in periods 2019 through 2036. The average annual interest rate is 4.49% for 2018 (4.49% for 2017).

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

Future interest repayment annual amounts have been calculated using the accrual method. The Town's total cash payments for interest in 2018 were \$265,098 (2017 - \$284785)

8. 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 of Stettler be disclosed as follows:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total Debt Limit Total Debt	\$ 23,476,574 6,004,090	\$ 23,041,782 6,502,626
Amount of Debt Limit Unused	<u>\$ 17,472,484</u>	\$ 16,539,156
Service on Debt Limit Service on Debt	\$ 3,912,762 767,059	\$ 3,840,297 767,059
Amount of Debt Servicing Limit Unused	\$ 3,145,703	\$ 3,073,238

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.

9. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

Net Book Value	<u>2018</u>	2017
Land Land Improvements Buildings Engineered Structures	\$ 1,460,741 4,039,446 42,210,357	\$ 1,460,741 3,923,385 42,798,323
Distribution Systems - Roads Distribution Systems - Water Distribution Systems - Wastewater Distribution Systems - Storm Machinery & Equipment & Furnishings Vehicles	21,692,502 8,246,386 12,300,392 3,502,073 3,957,967 	24,988,025 8,002,838 12,195,048 3,568,040 3,715,150 2,063,374
Total	<u>\$ 99,269,005</u>	\$ 102,714,924
10. EQUITY IN TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Tangible Capital Assets (Schedule 2) Accumulated Amortization (Schedule 2) Long Term Debt (Note 7)	\$ 186,623,539 (87,354,534) (6,004,090)	(82,203,289)
Total	\$ 93,264,915	\$ 96,212,298

11. ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

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

		<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>
Unrestricted Surplus (deficit)	\$	2,521,078	\$	2,516,449
Restricted Funds (Note 6)		6,876,989		6,449,639
Equity in Tangible Capital Assets (Note 10)		93,264,915	,	96,212,298
Total	\$ 1	02,662,982	\$	105,178,386

12. TRUST FUNDS

The Town of Stettler administers the following trust:

		<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Cemetery Perpetual Care			
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$	66,064	\$ 60,584
Sale of Cemetery Plots/Columbarium Niche		6,715	\$ 5,480
Headstone Sidewalk Purchase		(24,700)	 _
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$</u>	48,079	\$ 66,064

13. SALARY & BENEFITS DISCLOSURE

Disclosure of salaries and benefits for elected municipal officials, the chief administrative officer and designated officers as required by provincial regulation is as follows:

****	*********		*****************	2018	*******	2017
	<u>#of</u>	<u>Salary (1)</u>	Benefits &	<u>Total</u>	<u># of</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Persons</u>	<u>A</u>	llowances (2&3)		<u>Persons</u>	
Councillor D. Bachman		-	-			16,347
Councillor C. Barros	1	18,556	604	19,160	1	4,102
Councillor W. Brown		-	-			15,792
Councillor A.Campbell	1	22,586	165	22,751	1	22,508
Councillor M. Fischer	1	23,106	754	23,860	1	22,527
Councillor G. Lawlor	1	19,856	647	20,503	1	4,239
Councillor S. Pfeiffer	1	19,076	621	19,697	1	3,824
Mayor S. Nolls	1	37,632	1,234	38,866	1	22,663
Mayor R. Richards		_	_	-		34,347
Councillor W. Smith	1	17,646	574	18,220	1	3,269
CAO. G. Switenky	1	180,989	34,936	215,925	1	210,780

- (1) Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime, lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.
- (2) Employers share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of employees including pension, health care, dental coverage, group life insurance, accidental disability and dismemberment insurance, long and short term disability plans, professional memberships and tuition
- (3) Benefits and allowances figures also include the Employer's share of the costs of additional taxable benefits including special leave with pay, financial planning services, retirement planning services, concessionary loans and club memberships.

14. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN

- Employees of the Town of Stettler participate in the Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP), which is covered by the Public Sector Pension Plans Act. The Plan serves about 259,714 people and 420 employers. It is financed by employer and employee contributions and investment earnings of the LAPP Fund.
- Contributions for current service are recorded as expenditures in the year in which they become due.

- The Town of Stettler is required to make current service contributions to the Plan of 10.39% of pensionable earnings up to the Canada Pension Plan Year's Maximum Pensionable Earnings and 14.84% for the excess.
- Employees of the Town of Stettler are required to make current service contributions of 9.39% of pensionable salary up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan, and 13.84% on pensionable salary above this amount.
- Total current and past service contributions by the Town of Stettler to the Local Authorities Pension Plan in 2018 were \$456,411 (2017 \$481,526) Total current and past service contributions by the employees of the Town of Stettler to the Local Authorities Pension Plan in 2018 were \$416,887 (2017 \$443,100)
- At December 31, 2017 the Plan disclosed an actuarial surplus of \$4,84 billion for the Plan.

15. CONTINGENCIES

The Town of Stettler is a member of the Alberta Local Authorities Reciprocal Insurance Exchange. Under the terms of membership, the Town of Stettler 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.

The Town of Stettler, the County of Stettler, and all other incorporated municipalities within the geographical boundaries of the County of Stettler provide funds for the operation of the Stettler Waste Management Authority. The Authority is accumulating reserves to fund future estimated site cleanup obligations. The member municipalities may be liable for future costs in excess of the reserves.

The Town of Stettler and the County of Stettler through joint agreement provide funds for the operation of the Stettler Family and Community Support Services. The amounts noted in this financial statement represent only the Town of Stettler portion of contributions made to F.C.S.S.

16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Town's financial instruments consist of cash and temporary investments, accounts receivables, a line of credit, investments, accounts payable, accrued liabilities, deposit liabilities, requistion over-levy and long-term debt. It is management's opinion that the Town is not exposed to significant interest or currency risks arising from these financial instruments.

The Town is subject to credit risk with respect to taxes and grants in place of taxes receivable, and trade and other receivables. Credit risk arises from the possibility that taxpayers and entitites to which the Town provides service may experience financial difficulty and may be unable to fulfill their obligations. The large number and diversity of taxpayers and customers minimizes the credit risk.

Unless otherwise noted, the fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values.

The Town is exposed to interest rate risk on temporary bank indebtedness, as the interest rate will fluctuate with change in the prime lending rate.

The fixed rate debentures are subject to interest rate risk, as the value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market rates.

17. SEGMENTED DISCLOSURE

The Town 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).

18. AMORTIZATION

Amortization is a non-cash expense and is allocated to the different functions as follows:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
General Administration	\$ 89,585	\$ 91,134
Police Protective Services	-	_
Fire Protective Services	145,470	149,147
Common and Equipment Pool	293,228	266,221
Roads, Streets, Walks, Lighting	3,741,563	3,738,990
Airport	17,413	17,040
Storm Sewers and Drainage	65,967	65,967
Water Supply and Distribution	676,397	672,616
Wastewater Treatment and Disposal	321,560	323,341
Waste Management	989	989
Cemeteries	2,376	2,276
Land Use Planning	18,962	3,245
Economic Development	2,587	2,587
Public Housing Operations	85,967	85,967
Land, Housing and Building Rentals	38,383	38,383
Parks and Recreation	668,656	595,745
Culture	39,217	36,925
Total	\$ 6,208,320	\$ 6,090,573

19. OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

	2016	<u> 2017</u>
Tax Sales In Trust	\$ -	\$ -
Reserve for Public Lands	105,35	9 105,359
Total	\$ 105,35	9 \$ 105,359

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20. OPERATING LINE OF CREDIT

At December 31, 2018 the Town had a short-term line of credit for \$100,000 (2017 - \$100,000) of which nothing had been drawn down. The interest rate on advances would be Prime minus 1/4%.

21. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS PUBLISHED BUT NOT YET ADOPTED

The following standards have been issued by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada but are not yet effective. The municipality is currently evaluating the effect of these standards on their financial statements.

(a) Section PSAS 3041 - Portfolio Investments

This standard addresses the distinction between temporary and portfolio investments. The standard is beginning on or after April 1, 2021, when sections PS1201, PS2601 and PS3450 are adopted.

(b) Section PSAS 3450 - Financial Instruments

This standard establishes recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements for dirivative and non-dirivative financial instruments. Applies to years beginning on or after April 1, 2021.

(c) Section PSAS 2601 - Foreign Currency Translation

This section establishes standards on how to account for and report transactions that are denominated in foreign currency in government financial statements. Applies to years beginning on or after April 1, 2021.

(d) Section PSAS 1201 - Financial Statement Presentation

Revised standard is effective beginning on or after April 1, 2021 when sections PS2601 and PS3450 are adopted.

(e) Section PSAS 3280 - Asset Retirement Obligation

This standard is intended to provide guidance on accounting for ARO's and will apply in years beginning on or after April 1, 2021.

(f) Section PSAS 3400 - Revenue

This standard will provide greater clarity on the difference between exchange and non-exchange transactions. Applies to years beginning on or after April 1, 2022.

22. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council and Management have approved these financial statements.

23. BUDGET AMOUNTS

Budget figures for the year ended December 31, 2018 were approved as May 15, 2018 and are for information purposes. These amounts have not been audited.