

Present: Mayor Mitchell (Participating Virtually)
Councillor Lee (Participating Virtually)

Also Present: M. Gaskell, Chief Administrative Officer
F. Wong, Commissioner of Financial Services/Treasurer
A. McCullough, Director of Finance/Deputy Treasurer
B. Gray, Senior Manager of Treasury Services
C. Harris, Town Clerk
K. Douglas, Legislative Specialist (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Councillor Roy

Call to Order: The Mayor

1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
2. Items for Consideration

2.1 Financial Services Department Report, FS 58-22
Re: 2021 Year End Communication and Audited Financial Statements

F. Wong, Commissioner of Financial Services/Treasurer, provided a brief overview of the process to prepare the financial statements and thanked Staff for their efforts.

S. Stewart, Partner, Deloitte LLP, provided an overview of the 2021 Year End Communication and Financial Statements. Mr. Stewart advised that the financial statements were prepared in accordance with Public Sector Accounting Board Standards and Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada requirements. He explained that the outstanding matters highlighted in Staff Report FS 58-22 have now been completed, and that the unmodified audit report on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 will be published once approved by the Town. Mr. Stewart advised that the materiality level used for the 2021 audit was \$5 million, and that no misstatements or errors were identified. He provided an overview of the new and

revised Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards that will become effective in fiscal 2023 and beyond. Mr. Steward explained how the new Asset Retirement Obligation requirements will impact future Town financial statements.

A question and answer period ensued between Members of the Audit Committee, Mr. Stewart, and Staff regarding:

- clarification regarding the change in net financial assets;
- whether Staff have begun identifying and tracking asset retirement obligations;
- clarification regarding the annual assessment of the asset retirement obligations in order to comply with the revised Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards; and,
- the purpose of the new and revised Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Recommendation:

Moved By Councillor Lee

1. That Report FS 58-22 be received for information;
2. That the Corporation of the Town of Whitby's Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, Attachment 2 to Report FS 58-22, be approved;
3. That Deloitte LLP be engaged to perform the audit of the Town of Whitby's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2022; and,
4. That the outstanding account receivable from First Brands Inc., in the amount of \$100,415 be written off.

Carried

2.2 Financial Services Department Report, FS 59-22
Re: Public Sector Accounting Board Standard on Asset Retirement Obligations and Proposed Town Policy

Recommendation:

Moved By Councillor Lee

1. That Report FS 59-22 be received for information; and,
2. That the Asset Retirement Obligation Policy included in Attachment 1 of report FS 59-22 be approved.

Carried

3. Adjournment

3.1 Motion to Adjourn

Recommendation:

Moved By Councillor Lee

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Don Mitchell, Mayor, Committee Chair

Christopher Harris, Town Clerk