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2014 Operating Budget

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2014 Operating Budget Overview

- 2014 Operating Budget presented for Council consideration is a responsible budget reducing budget increase from 1.63% presented at pre-budget meeting to 1.49% presented tonight.
- Increases in one department offset by savings in another.
- Savings from new technologies and work process improvements have offset increases presented at pre-budget meeting.
- Includes those items approved at the pre-budget meeting from Public Open House (detailed in spreadsheet)
- Includes permissive grant recommendations presented to Council in December in the amount of \$25,650. This amount will remain unspent until Council Approval of allocation.



OPERATING Budget Comparison

5 Year Expense Budget Comparison (Excluding Salaries/Reserve Transfers)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Materials and Supplies	\$2,417,365	\$2,538,074	\$2,518,398	\$2,427,966	\$2,400,550
Contracted Services	\$1,291,997	\$1,200,305	\$1,075,192	\$1,155,315	\$1,133,105
Rentals	\$58,078	\$63,428	\$49,823	\$40,510	\$39,050
External Contributions	\$31,000	\$36,300	\$36,050	\$36,050	\$39,200
Debenture	\$906,303	\$855,622	\$684,674	\$667,593	\$692,511
Total	\$4,704,743	\$4,693,729	\$4,364,137	\$4,327,434	\$4,304,416
Annual Decreases	(\$15,616)	(\$11,014)	(\$329,592)	(\$36,703)	(\$23,018)
Total Expenditure Decrease from 2010					(\$415,943)



Corporate Services

Pre-Budget Meeting Recap

- Expenditures impacting 2014 budget presented on November 4, 2013 projected 1.63% increase to Town portion of Tax Levy
- Net Expenditure increases dictated by external organizations or previously approved by Council totaled \$220,000.
- Extensive work done by staff to review all expenditure requests and reduce costs where practical without impacting customer service levels.
- Result of work is a net expenditure increase of \$141,563 as presented on page 1.2 of the budget binder. This is a reduction in expenditures of 18,436 or -.14%



Budget Summary

2014 OPERATING BUDGET NET INCREASE

	2014 BUDGET	2013 BUDGET	INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM 2013 BUDGET	INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM 2013 BUDGET
	\$	\$	\$	%
Total Expenditures	12,060,584	11,728,127	332,457	2.83
Total Revenues	2,311,503	2,221,200	90,303	4.07
	<u>9,749,082</u>	<u>9,506,927</u>	<u>242,155</u>	<u>2.55%</u>
Assessment Growth			<u>100,592</u>	<u>1.06%</u>
Net 2014 Operating Budget Increase			<u>141,563</u>	<u>1.49%</u>

** Includes PIL revenues



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Table 2

Summary of Increases Presented in 2014 Budget

Employee Salary COLA/grid movement increase	\$	77,618
Employee Benefits (Employer portion)	\$	15,225
General Labourer position	\$	48,816
Legal Fee increase to better reflect actual cost	\$	53,000
Winter Control anticipated requirements	\$	23,360
Streetlighting pole replacement requirements	\$	13,781
Welland Hospital Foundation contribution	\$	20,000
Long term debt obligation increase	\$	24,918
Youth Programs and Swim Program increases*	\$	19,069
Software license Requirements	\$	31,670
Summerfest	\$	5,000
Total 2014 Proposed Increase**	\$	332,457
Less:		
Increase in Revenues	\$	(90,303)
Increase in Growth	\$	(100,592)
Net 2014 Operating Budget Increase	\$	141,563



2014 Budget Increases Explained - Externally Regulated increases or previously approved

• Externally Regulated increases	\$ 15,225
• Previously Approved	\$180,536
– Summerfest	\$ 5,000
– Legal Fees	\$53,000
– Welland Hosp Fdn.	\$20,000
– Long Term Debt	\$24,918
– COLA Adjustment	\$77,618
	TOTAL \$195,761



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2014 Growth Carry Forward

CALCULATION OF 2014 GROWTH

	2013 Assessment Per Budget \$	2013 Assessment Pre-flip \$	2013 Tax Rate	2013 Levy \$	2013 Levy Pre-flip \$	Growth \$	
Residential	1,880,906,047	1,901,006,027	0.004580048	8,614,640	8,706,699	92,059	
Multi-Residential	17,122,170	17,283,790	0.009361619	160,291	161,804	1,513	
New Multi-Residential	-	-		-	-	-	
Commercial	57,208,535	58,147,402	0.008054473	460,785	468,347	7,562	
Commercial Vacant	2,014,960	2,043,146	0.005638131	11,361	11,520	159	
Industrial	2,996,976	2,997,476	0.012045527	36,100	36,106	6	
Industrial Vacant	49,500	49,500	0.007829595	388	388	-	
Pipelines	13,807,500	13,885,000	0.007795700	107,639	108,243	604	
Farmland	99,760,456	98,523,980	0.001145012	114,227	112,811	(1,416)	
Managed Forests	1,306,850	1,398,688	0.001145012	1,496	1,602	105	
	<u>2,075,172,994</u>	<u>2,095,335,009</u>		<u>9,506,927</u>	<u>9,607,519</u>	<u>100,592</u>	<u>1.06%</u>



Budget Summary

Town wide increase across all assessment categories

2014 Average residential increase

	2014	2013	INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM 2013	INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM 2013
	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET
	\$	\$	\$	%
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Total Revenues	2,311,503	2,221,200	90,303	4.07
	9,749,083	9,506,927	242,156	2.55%
Assessment Growth			100,592	1.06%
Net 2014 Operating Budget Increase			141,564	1.49%

	2013	2014	Increase	% Increase
Average Residential Assessment	\$291,556	\$298,000	\$6,444	2.21%
Tax Rates	0.0045800482	0.0045481128	(0.0000319)	-0.70%
Average Tax Levy	1,335.34	1,355.34	20.00	1.50%
Cost per day to average tax levy	\$3.66	\$3.71	\$0.05	1.50%
Annual increase to average ratepayer			\$20.00	



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2014 Assessment Changes

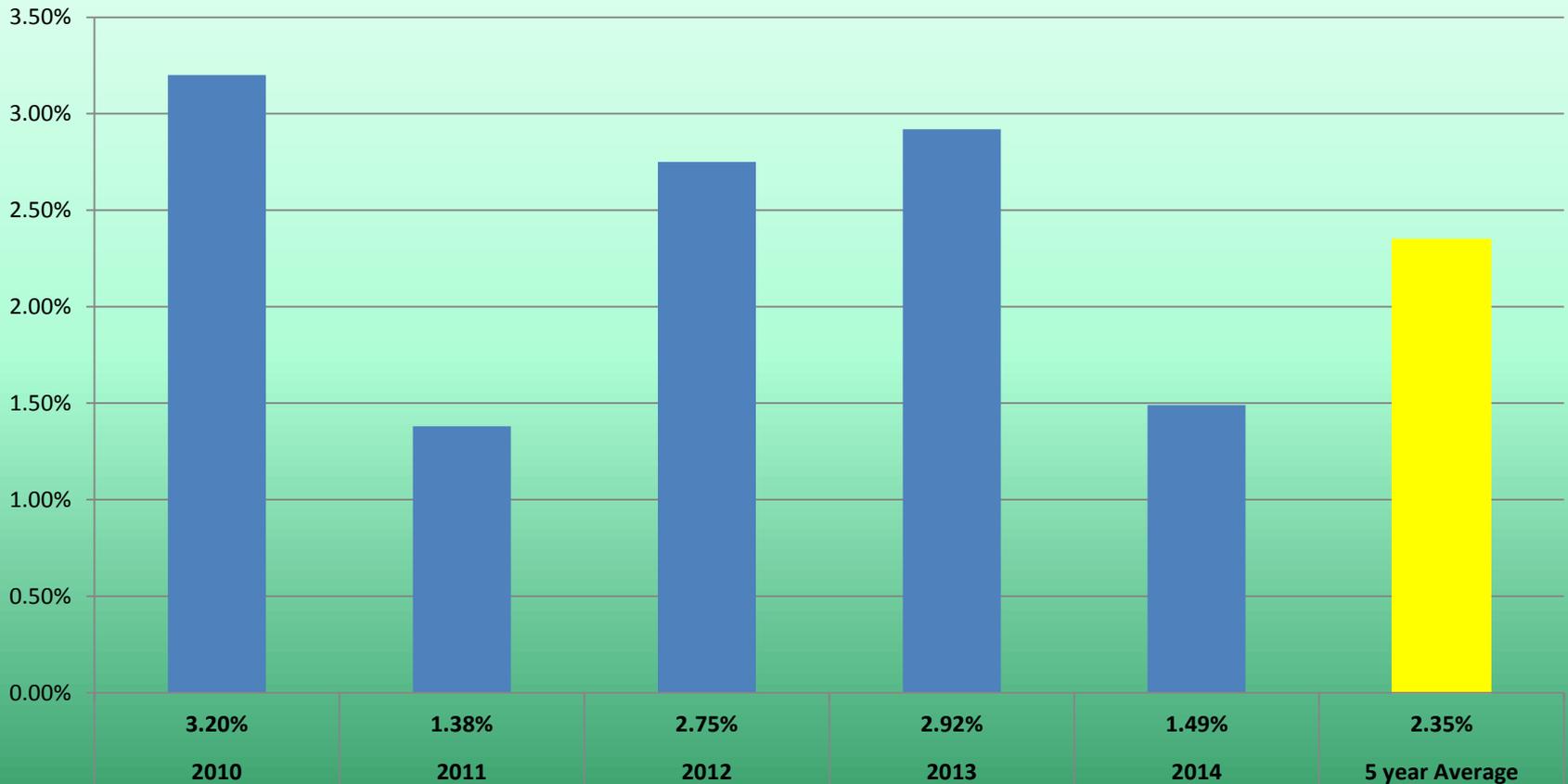
SUMMARY OF YEAR OVER YEAR ASSESSMENT CHANGES

PROPERTY CLASS	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>
RESIDENTIAL	1,939,396,885	1,880,906,047	58,490,838	3.11%
MULTI - RESIDENTIAL	17,948,527	17,122,170	826,357	4.83%
COMMERCIAL OCCUPIED	59,983,147	57,208,535	2,774,612	4.85%
COMMERCIAL VACANT UNITS	2,253,525	2,014,960	238,565	11.84%
INDUSTRIAL OCCUPIED	3,064,183	2,996,976	67,207	2.24%
INDUSTRIAL VACANT LAND	50,000	49,500	500	1.01%
PIPELINES	14,124,000	13,807,500	316,500	2.29%
FARMLANDS	106,697,808	99,760,456	6,937,352	6.95%
MANAGED FORESTS	1,554,592	1,306,850	247,742	18.96%
TOTAL ASSESSMENT FOR TAX PURPOSES	<u>2,145,072,667</u>	<u>2,075,172,994</u>	<u>69,899,673</u>	<u>3.37%</u>
Properties Subject to Payments in Lieu or Exempt	50,945,530	53,126,290	2,180,760	4.28%
MUNICIPAL TOTAL	<u>2,218,125,352</u>	<u>2,144,238,298</u>	<u>73,887,054</u>	<u>3.45%</u>



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5 year Average Operating Budget Increase



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- Tonight's presentation reflects only the Town's portion of the Tax Levy for 2014.
- Once Region and Education tax rates are finalized, senior staff will bring forward the proposed tax rates.
- The new Tax Rates will then be presented to Council for consideration and approval (May 2014).



THANK YOU

- Questions

