

Municipality of the District of Argyle

Item: Additional borrowing –

operating reserve

Date: December 2, 2021

VISION STATEMENT

We see Argyle as home to a healthy and thriving rural population. Our municipality promotes and supports economic and social opportunities for the region, and engages in the active expression of our unique Acadian heritage. We are a place of choice for rural living and are widely recognized for our warm hospitality and joie de vivre. Surrounded by fresh air and cool ocean breezes, we work and play in the great outdoors. People choose to live in Argyle because of our commitment to each other, to our community and to our neighbors. Argyle is a place we are proud to call home.

MISSION STATEMENT

Argyle will provide affordable traditional municipal services for our citizens. Furthermore, Argyle will provide leadership by being actively engaged with the business community to understand their needs, and facilitate growth. We will create innovative programs to foster growth both for community and industry. We will create an environment where our residents seek our partnership in the projects that matter most, and we will provide the expertise needed to ensure those projects are successful. We seek to support and instill cultural pride and a sense of place in our communities. Our mission is founded on the belief that our community assets are plentiful, none more precious than its people, and that Argyle's assets possess the answers to our most difficult challenges.

Background:

In January 2021, council approved and authorized the CAO to lend \$800,000 from the operating reserve to the capital reserve beginning February 1, 2021, with an interest rate of 2.45%, under the following terms: interest only payments monthly until August 31, 2021, with full principal repayment on August 31, 2021.

There have since been some delays with the FCM loan and therefore funds have not yet been received. The expected date is January 5, 2022.

MGA, Costs and Budget Considerations:

FRAM allows for a lending of funds from fund to fund, provided that there is a borrowing resolution stated, including repayment and interest rates.

Recommendation:

That council allow the Director of Finance to lend an additional \$500,000 from the operating reserve to the capital reserve with interest at 2.45% and to be repaid to the operating reserve upon receipt of the FCM loan.

Suggested Motion

That the Director of Finance be authorized to lend \$500,000 from the operating reserve to the capital reserve, with interest of 2.45% and full repayment upon receipt of the FCM loan.