

Ministre des Affaires autochtones
et du développement du Nord



Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and
Northern Development

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0H4

On behalf of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, I HEREBY APPROVE, pursuant to section 83 of the *Indian Act*, the following bylaw made by the Bigstone Cree First Nation, in the Province of Alberta, at a meeting held on the 25th day of May, 2015.

Bigstone Cree First Nation Annual Property Taxation Expenditure Bylaw 2015

Dated at Gatineau, Quebec

this 28th day of September 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Colleen Swords'.

Colleen Swords
Deputy Minister

BIGSTONE CREE FIRST NATION
ANNUAL PROPERTY TAXATION EXPENDITURE BY-LAW, 2015

WHEREAS pursuant to section 83 of the *Indian Act*, the council of a band may make by-laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands, interests in reserve lands or rights to occupy, possess or use reserve lands, including by-laws authorizing the expenditure of local revenues;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Bigstone Cree First Nation has enacted the *Bigstone Cree First Nation Property Assessment and Taxation Bylaw*, respecting taxation for local purposes on reserve;

AND WHEREAS Section 52 of the *Bigstone Cree First Nation Property Assessment and Taxation Bylaw*, requires a first nation that has made a property taxation by-law to, at least once each year, make a law establishing a budget for the expenditure of revenues raised under its property taxation by-laws;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Bigstone Cree First Nation duly enacts as follows:

1. This By-law may be cited as the *Bigstone Cree First Nation Annual Property Taxation Expenditure By-law, 2015*.

2. In this by-law:

“Act” means the *Indian Act* and the regulations made under that Act;

“annual budget” means the budget, attached as a Schedule to this By-law, setting out the projected local revenues and projected expenditures of those local revenues during the budget period;

“Council” has the meaning given to that term in the Act;

“First Nation” or “Band” means the Bigstone Cree First Nation, being a band within the meaning of subsection 2(1) of the *Indian Act*;

“local revenues” means money raised by the First Nation under a property taxation by-law;

“property taxation by-law” means a by-law enacted by the First Nation under section 83 of the Act;

“taxable property” means property in a reserve that is subject to taxation under a property taxation by-law; and

“Taxation By-law” means the *Bigstone Cree First Nation Property Assessment and Taxation Bylaw*.

3. The First Nation’s annual budget for the budget year beginning January 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2015, is attached as a Schedule and the expenditures provided for in the Schedule are authorized.

4.(1) The First Nation’s interim budget for the budget year beginning January 1, 2016, and ending December 31, 2016, is attached as a Schedule and the expenditures provided for in the Schedule are authorized.

(2) The expenditures provided for in subsection (1) are authorized until the First Nation’s annual expenditure by- law for the budget year referenced in subsection (1) comes into force and effect, at which time the interim budget ceases to have force and effect.

5. The grant amounts set out in the annual budget are hereby approved as expenditures in accordance with the Taxation By-law.

6. This By-law authorizes the expenditure of contingency amounts as necessary within any of the categories of expenditures set out in the Schedule.

7. Expenditures of local revenues must be made only in accordance with the annual budget.

8. Notwithstanding section 7 of this By-law, Council may at any time amend the annual budget by amending this By-law in accordance with Council procedures and the requirements of the Act.

9. Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this By-law have the meanings given to them in the Taxation By-law.

10. Where a provision in this By-law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.

11. This By-law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.

12. The Schedule attached to this By-law forms part of and is an integral part of this By-law.


13. This By-law comes into force and effect upon being approved by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

THIS BY-LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the 25 day of May, 2015, at Wabasca, in the Province of Alberta.

A quorum of Council consists of (6) members of Council.



Chief – Gordon T. Auger



Councillor – Bert Alook




Councillor – Stella Noskiye



Councillor – Freda Gambler- Alook




Councillor – Edward Bigstone



Councillor – Clara Moberly



Councillor – Jessie Auger



Councillor – Art Bigstone



Councillor – Ivan Alook

SCHEDULE A

**BIGSTONE CREE FIRST NATION
2015 ANNUAL BUDGET AND INTERIM BUDGET**

PART 1: REVENUES

1.	Local revenues for current fiscal year:	
a.	Property Tax	\$ 829,472.81
2.	Accumulated Surplus - Local revenues carried over from the previous fiscal year	\$ 349,534.00
3.	Accumulated Deficit - Local revenues carried over from the previous fiscal year	\$
	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,179,006.81

PART 2: EXPENDITURES

1.	General Government Expenditures	
	a. Executive and Legislative	
	b. General Administrative	\$ 572,000.00
	c. Other General Government	
2.	Protection Services	
	a. Policing	
	b. Firefighting	
	c. Regulatory Measures	
	d. Other Protective Services	
3.	Transportation	
	a. Roads and Streets	
	b. Snow and Ice Removal	
	c. Parking	
	d. Public Transit	
	e. Other Transportation	
4.	Recreation and Cultural Services	
	a. Recreation	

b.	Culture	
c.	Heritage Protection	
d.	Other Recreation and Culture	
5.	Community Development	\$ 524,059.53
a.	Housing	
b.	Planning and Zoning	
c.	Community Planning	
d.	Economic Development Program	
e.	Tourism	
f.	Trade and Industry	
g.	Land Rehabilitation and Beautification	
h.	Other Regional Planning and Development	
6.	Environment Health Services	
a.	Water Purification and Supply	
b.	Sewage Collection and Disposal	
c.	Garbage Waste Collection and Disposal	
d.	Recycling	
e.	Other Environmental Services	
7.	Fiscal Services	
a.	Other Debt Payments	
b.	Accelerated Debt Payments	
c.	Other Fiscal Services	
8.	Other Services	
a.	Health	
b.	Social Programs and Assistance	
c.	Agriculture	
d.	Education	
e.	Other Service	
9.	Contingency Amounts	\$ 82,947.28
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,179,006.81
	BALANCE	\$ 0