

Lakeside Assessment Accounting

Review Discussion

2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Assessment Accounting Review

Agenda:

- Overview of assessment accounting
- Scope of work performed
- Findings
- Recommended modifications and impact

Reminders:

- All accounting involves estimates
- A consistent process and methodology has been in place for many years
- No evidence of fraud or intentional misstep

Overview of Assessment – Assessment Revenue

• From lease: "...will pay such amounts, not exceeding one per cent per annum on the appraised value, as it appears on the County Tax Duplicate, for sanitary purposes and improvements of streets, as the Directors of the Association may assess."

• Current assessment: 0.491% forecasted to provide \$1.7M of revenue (~970 parcels = \$1,800/parcel)

• Rubbish removal: Approximately ~\$230k annually

Overview of Assessment – Assessment Revenue

	Actual				Budget
\$ in 000s	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2022/2023
Assessment Revenue:					
Assessment Billing	\$850	\$866	\$930	\$1,718	\$1,684
Rubbish Billing	228	227	230	231	228
Total Assessement Revenue	\$1,078	\$1,093	\$1,160	\$1,949	\$1,912
Assessment %	0.308%	0.308%	0.308%	0.491%	0.491%
Assessment revenue					
as a proportion of	13%	16%	14%	17%	
Total Lakeside revenue					

Numbers do not include \$541k of assessment billings in 2019-20 for MKSK

Overview of Assessment – Assessment Expenses

- Lakeside's accounting system records costs by functional areas: Program, Municipal Services, Administration, Accommodations, etc. As a result, costs must be "allocated" for assessment purposes
- Current methodology implemented by former COO/CFO Dan Dudley several years ago and has been consistently applied and used for budgetary decisions
- Two primary areas: Municipal Services (includes Rubbish Removal) and Administrative Expenses
- Does not include a reserve for future requirements

Overview of Assessment – Assessment Expenses

	Actual			Budget	
Allocations, \$ in 000s	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2022/2023
Municipal Services Expense	\$1,224	\$886	\$1,177	\$1,370	\$1,604
Rubbish Removal	<u>228</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>228</u>
Total Municipal Services Expense	\$1,452	\$1,113	\$1,407	\$1,601	\$1,832
Allocation %	65%	68%	69%	66%	63%
Municipal Services Allocated Expense	\$945	\$756	\$974	\$1,049	\$1,155
Administration Expenses	\$1,831	\$1,622	\$1,906	\$2,189	\$2,462
Allocation %	27%	23%	22%	19%	21%
Administration Expenses Allocated	\$485	\$378	\$412	\$422	\$528
Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32	\$228
Total Allowable Assessment Expense	\$1,430	\$1,134	\$1,385	\$1,503	\$1,912

Note: Numbers do not include \$556k of assessment expense in 2019-20 for MKSK

^{*}Projects represent costs that will be capitalized on completion

Overview of Assessment – Historical Summary

 Based on the historical allocation methodology, permitted assessment expenses exceeded assessment revenue during the 2019-2022 fiscal periods resulting in a portion of permitted assessment expenses funded by other revenue (gate fees)

• This information was used in determining the assessment % for the 2022/2023 season to balance permitted assessment expenses with assessment revenue

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Scope of Work Performed

Step 1: Identify permitted use of assessments

Step 2: Determine reasonableness of assumptions made

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Example Step 2: Municipal Services Allocation % Review

Municipal Services expenses - fiscal 2022/2023						
Dollars in thousands	Total \$	Permitted Costs				
		\$	% of total			
Grounds	\$310	\$235	76%			
Maintenance	398	293	74%			
Security	245	98	40%			
Streets	120	120	100%			
Rubbish	281	281	100%			
Hoover Maintenance	39	4	10%			
Dock Maintenance	14	14	100%			
Central Park Maintenance	9	3	30%			
Other accounts	186	-	0%			
Total	\$1,601	\$1,048	65%			

Example: Municipal Services Permitted Expenses Review

Area	Permitted Activities	Other Activities
Maintenance:	Picking up and removal of trash	Work on program related buildings
Department 0410	Cleaning of public restrooms	Maintenance of hotels
	Installation and repair of street signs	Work on enterprise buildings
	Sidewalk repairs	
	Street light maintenance & cleaning	
	Maintaining parking lots and parking signs	
	Maintaining storm sewers	
	Clean up work after storms	
Allocation Method	% for assessment	
	April 25%	
	May 40%	
	June - Sept 70%	
	Oct - Nov 90%	
	Dec - Mar 50%	

Findings

Municipal Expense:

Allocation estimate makes sense.

No change

Time audit to be conducted

Administrative expense:

Includes overheads such as salaries, employee benefits, office and business costs that support the entire Lakeside enterprise

We are updating allocators to reflect current conditions

Recommendations

The lease assessment percent will continue to reflect a "balanced" budget between assessment revenue and permitted assessment expenses and will be set annually

• The audit committee of the board should consider engaging the outside auditor for a more thorough testing of the permitted assessment expenses every five years or in the event of material changes in expenses

Additional Actions being taken

- The permitted expense allocation will be reviewed annually by management with any material changes to assumptions presented to the Board prior to the budget process
- Other administrative expense allocations will be routinely reviewed to reflect a current allocation of assessment expense
- Written procedures are being prepared for the permitted assessment expense allocation process

Comparison of 2022/23 assessment budget with actual results

\$ in 000s	2022/23	2022/23	Variance
Permitted Assessment Costs	budget	actual	Vallatice
Municipal Services Costs	\$1,155	\$1,048	\$107
Administration Costs	528	423	106
Projects	228	32	196
Total Costs allowable for assessment	\$1,912	\$1,503	\$409
Assessment revenues			
Assessments Billing*	\$1,684	\$1,718	\$34
Rubbish Billing	228	231	3
Total Revenues from	\$1,912	\$1,949	\$37
assessment and rubbish			
Ending Balance Excess/(Deficit)	\$0	\$446	
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*Assessment %	0.491%	0.491%	-

]-- cost savings

]-- deferred street project spending

Recommended Modifications

- Apply surplus from 2022-2023 [\$446,000] to the upcoming Streets and Drainage Capital Project over the construction period
 - Reflects \$213,000 in cost savings from budget
 - Reflects \$196,000 of deferred project costs
 - Reflects \$37,000 from revenue increases
- The annual \$100,000 placeholder from the current assessment to be applied to the Street and Drainage Project is estimated to increase to \$150,000-\$200,000 based on actual expenses vs budget which will be communicated annually to the community.
- These additional investments will mitigate the need to increase the current assessment %

"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself." -Henry Ford.

