

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on September 22, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

This meeting was available by Conference Call due to COVID-19.

Present: Deputy Reeve Sikkenga, Councillors Bachman, Honke, and Malkoske (on the call) and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson.

Excused: Reeve Amerongen

Reeve Amerongen provided his regrets, Deputy Reeve Sikkenga Chaired this regular meeting of Council.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

283/20 **WHEREAS** the agenda for this regular meeting has been reviewed by Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda shall be adopted as amended.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Reading and Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Bachman

284/20 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 25, 2020, have been submitted to Council for their review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT these minutes be adopted as amended.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

285/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22349 to 22366

Electronic Payments EFT 3085 to 3121;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$40,827.68.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

286/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Payments EFT 3187 & 3188;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,312.85.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 286/20 Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

2. Financial Statements

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

287/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the financial statements ending August 31, 2020, be hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Reports of Committees:

- Summary of building permits ending September 16, 2020.

Verbal reports were provided by Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on Rural Forum, Two Rivers Service to Seniors and the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District; Councillor Bachman requested permission to ask Council about a Whitemouth Library Board Position – Deputy Reeve Sikkenga requested permission to be excused from all discussions. She left and did not return to the Council Chambers until the conversation was completed. Councillor Bachman requested Council's input on Manny Sikkenga being Chairperson for the Library as a member at large. The consensus of Council was to authorize same; Councillor Honke on Public Works; and Councillor Malkoske on Public Works and the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District.

Public Works: Update of September 21, 2020. It was noted that written permission is required prior to going onto any private property and without written permission that surveys are required.

Public Hearings:

6:45 p.m. Variation Application Roll No. 152800

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

290/20 **BE IT RESOLVED** the regular order of business of Council be temporarily suspended to open a public hearing to consider a Variation Application for Roll No. 152800, being Variation Application No. V13/20.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

291/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the business of the Public Hearing is now completed and is now closed that Council return to their regular order of business of the Council Meeting.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

292/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Herbert and Nellie Scharer to allow for the location of a metal storage facility;
AND WHEREAS the application No. is V13/20;
AND WHEREAS the property is located in the NE of Section 7, Township 13, in Range 11EPM, and identified as Roll No. 152800;
AND WHEREAS no representatives attended and no objections were received;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve said Variation Application on the condition that it is utilized within twelve months.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

7:00 p.m. re: Zoning By-Law No. 706/20

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

293/20 **BE IT RESOLVED** the regular order of business of Council be temporarily suspended to open a public hearing to consider By-Law No. 706/20 being a by-law to adopt Zoning for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

294/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the business of the Public Hearing is now completed and is now closed that Council return to their regular order of business of the Council Meeting.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Municipal Planner, Larissa Sveinson provided an overview of all comments received. Building Inspector Ruta, Allan Besel and Marilyn Ruta participated in the discussion. A couple of recommendations were received from the circulation to Departments/Agencies and will be incorporated as amendments for Council's review prior to providing additional readings to the by-law. Tabled.

Communications:

1. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: consultations on licensed cannabis consumption spaces and/or social occasions. Administration will provide Council's input for the survey.
2. Association of Community Living re: Annual General Meeting. Noted.
3. Adelene Schultz re: Whitemouth Library Audit. Noted.
4. Town of Beausejour re: amendment to their zoning by-law. Noted.

5. Blake Toews – request to be included in residential tax incentive program
Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

288/20 **WHEREAS** Council has implemented By-law No. 621/14 to provide an incentive for new Residential Development and set policy guidelines regarding same;

AND WHEREAS an application has been received from Blake Toews, property owner of Roll 28125, an 8.06-acre parcel located in the SE ¼ of Section 21, in Township 10, in Range 12E;

AND WHEREAS he is requesting a building incentive for the new modular home;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this application is hereby approved.

For: Sikkenga, Bachman, Honke Against: Malkoske

CARRIED

6. Manitoba Municipal Relations re: Council Members' Code of Conduct sample by-law. Administration to prepare our by-law accordingly for Council's review. Tabled.

7. New Horizons – funding for seniors program.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

287/20 **WHEREAS** the Government of Canada is offering community based projects under the New Horizons for Seniors Program;

AND WHEREAS funds are required for asphalt or concrete to be placed on the Co-op Trail to allow wheelchairs and strollers to utilize same;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby support in principle this project.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

8. CanExport Community Investments – funding applications accepted until October 14, 2020. Noted.

Unfinished Business:

1. Fire Guard/Bog – PWS Tolpa is awaiting confirmation from Climate and Conservation (Kurtis Cline) to have the culverts removed. Tabled.

2. Two Rivers Road – Morgan Hallet from the Province will take care of their portion of the road, with our municipality taking care of our portion of the road. MLA Ewasko advised he is still working on this initiative as well as funding towards works completed. Tabled.
3. Lagoon – Public Works Committee to provide property locations to be tested. A resolution will be prepared to request funding for a feasibility study for a new lagoon. Tabled.
4. 200 Acres in Seven Sisters Falls (Manitoba Hydro owned) – no additional information was received.
5. Art Alex – Road Allowance Inquiry. Update from Public Works Supervisor Tolpa whom met with the property owners on each side of the road allowance. Referred to Administration to ensure ratepayer is satisfied.
6. Whitemouth Emergency Response Team re: COVID HR Policy. Council agreed to have same prepared for our next regular meeting. Tabled.

New Business:

1. Funding for Sewer on Elevator Road – The consensus of Council was to proceed with the works although a deficit will be incurred. Public Works to have a draft tender prepared for the next Public Works Committee Meeting. Tabled.
2. Purchase of Loader – Tabled.

3. Fire Hydrant Installation

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

295/20 **WHEREAS** tenders have been requested and received for a fire hydrant to be installed on Brookfield Road near PTH #44;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the successful tenderer is Penner Underground at a cost not to exceed \$12,950.00 plus applicable taxes.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

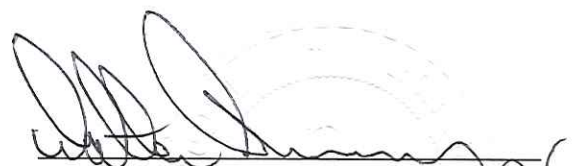
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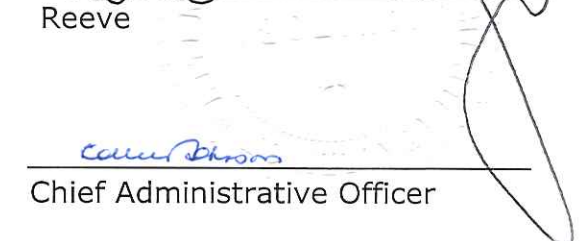
Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

296/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer