RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on April 27, 2021, 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:Reeve Amerongen (7:38 pm), Deputy Reeve Sikkenga, Councillors
Bachman, Honke, Malkoske and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

82/21 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

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Reading and Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

83/21 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting on April 13, 2021, have been submitted to Council for their review;

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

For: All Against: None

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

- Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke
- 84/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22758 to 22774, Electronic Payments EFT 3638 to 3660;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$88,732.43.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

85/21 WHEREAS the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Funds Transfer 3661 & 3662

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,004.32.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 85/21 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

86/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Financial Statements ending March 31, 2021 and backback description backback

2021, are hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All Against: None

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Verbal Reports of Committees:

Councillors Honke and Malkoske reported on Public Works; Councillor Bachman on the Whitemouth Municipal Museum Society Inc.; and Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on Two Rivers Service to Seniors.

Delegations:

- 6:30 p.m. Justin Wiebe, as spokesperson, and Murray Barkman shared with Council their plan to subdivide in-between Corrigan Avenue and Front Avenue. Referred to the Public Works Committee for input, prior to responding in writing. It was noted that all subdivision application initiates at the Manitoba Municipal Relations, Community Planning Services, in Beausejour, Manitoba.
- 6:45 p.m. Debbie McLean, as spokesperson, and Murray Barkman requested Funds to accommodate sidewalk replacement in front #5 & #7 Henderson Avenue where condominiums have been recently built. Referred to the Public Works Committee for input, prior to responding in writing.

Communications:

1. S/Sgt Meyers re: RCMP Quarterly Reporting and the Annual Performance Plan. Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

 86/21 WHEREAS S/Sgt. Meyers has provided the Lac du Bonnet Detachment Annual Performance Plan to Council for their review;
AND WHEREAS Council's review has been completed;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Annual Performance Plan be hereby approved as presented.

For: AllAgainst: NoneCARRIED

- 2. Whitemouth & District Lions Club re: Social Distancing Events request. Council directed Administration to advise that they wish them well with their proposed events which they have confirmed will follow all Health Regulations regarding the current pandemic. In addition, to advise that a municipal code red event is being planned for September 11, 2021.
- 3. Rural Municipality of Reynolds re: Fire Agreement. To be referred to the Fire Management Committee for their recommendation. Tabled.
- 4. Whitemouth River Recreation Commission Driving Tour Inquiries
- 5. Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization re: Wildfire Season Preparedness. Noted.
- Bernice Sitar request to subdivide in NE 17-10-12 E. Administration provided information on previous communications provided to Ms. Sitar in this regard. It was noted that the process remains unchanged and all subdivision applications initiate at the Manitoba Municipal Relations, Community Planning Services, in Beausejour, Manitoba.
- 7. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: District Elections. Noted.
- 8. Jim Castle re: internet service and thank you. Noted.
- 9. ASM Energy Corp copy of letter from Alberta Minister Schweitzer. Noted.
- 10. Building Inspector Ruta re: concern on Face Book posting. Tabled.
- 11. Municipal Emergency Coordinator Dowbyhuz re: request for copy of our Emergency Plan. Administration to request her to provide a blacked out copy for Council to review. Personal information is in this Emergency Plan which can not be public.
- 12. Courageous Companions request for donation. Noted.

- 13. Municipal Emergency Coordinator Dowbyhuz re: updated contract for a two-year period. Referred to Administration to finalize.
- 14. Sterling Contracting re: Development Permit Agreement for temporary structures in Anderson subdivision for Nichelle Lavoie, property owner. Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman
- 88/21 **WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth By-Law No. 706/20 provides authority to allow an accessory building to be utilized for the storage of tools and materials used in construction of the principle building;

AND WHEREAS a request has been received by Nichelle Lavoie, property owner of Lot 1, of Plan 63002, in the SW ¹/₄ of 33-10-12EPM, being Roll No. 47575;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this request be hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

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- 15. CN Submits Prefiling Notice of Intent. Noted.
- 16. Utility Precautionary Boil Water Advisory for Whitemouth only.
- 17. CN Right-Of-Way Vegetation Control. To be referred to our Weed Inspector for his information.
- 18. Resignation Website Administrator.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

 89/21 WHEREAS notice has been provided that our Website Administrator will be resigning;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED THAT Administration be hereby directed to advertise to have this position filled.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 19. North Eastman Municipal Forum May 10, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m. Noted.
- 20. Municipal Emergency Coordinator Dowbyhuz re: COVID Restriction/s update. Council was appreciative of the proactiveness.
- 21. Office of the Drinking Water Officer re: Boiled Water Advisory for Whitemouth, due to the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority Reservoir Project. Noted.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Two Rivers Drive Tabled.
- 2. Drainage By-Law Draft Administration was directed to table this item until late this year.
- 3. Zachary and LaVern Dueck re: request to utilize Fire Hall Tower for a business to supply high speed internet services. Discussed, tabled for Fire Management Committee input. Tabled.
- 4. Province of Manitoba re: Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program Request.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

90/21 **WHEREAS** the Province of Manitoba has implemented the "Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby request funding of a plan to ensure that all ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth are able to connect to water and sewer services.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

- 5. Jetstream Wireless re: request to utilize Fire Hall Tower and information to supply Fiber Speed Internet. Discussed, tabled for Fire Management Committee input. Tabled.
- 6. Manitoba Water Services Board confirmation to include Elma in the study. Noted.
- 7. Notice of Motion for Resolution No. 34/21 regarding a Public Works Truck that was already sold.
- Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske
- 91/21 WHEREAS Notice of Motion to rescind Resolution No. 34/21 regarding the purchase of a truck;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 34/21 be and is hereby rescinded.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

- 92/21 WHEREAS a half ton is required for our Public Works Department; AND WHEREAS prices have been requested, received, and reviewed; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby authorize the purchase of a 2020 Dodge Ram 2500 4WD Big Horn Light Pickup 8 CYL, White at a cost not to exceed \$41,008.75 plus applicable taxes be hereby authorized.
- For: All Against: None CARRIED

New Business:

- 1. Fire Department re: grant \$138,222.07 funds received to be placed into the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund.
- Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske
- 93/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the grant funds received from the Province of Manitoba for the Whitemouth Fire Department in the amount of \$138,222.01 be hereby transferred into the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

- 2. Building Inspector Ruta re: Administration Building Renovations. Tabled for additional information and an on-site presentation for Council.
- 3. Napier Consulting re: request to attend for Emergency Update on May 25, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. Confirmed.
- 4. Reeve Amerongen resolution to cancel hearing for Derelict Building By Law No. 712/20.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

94/21 **WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth has received concerns by the ratepayers of Municipality with respect to the Vacant and Derelict Buildings and Unsightly Property bylaw;

AND WHEREAS it is the desire of the Council to hear the public in a manner which gives the public confidence that Council will give due consideration to their concerns;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality will cancel the hearing for bylaw 712/20 and will discuss the process for repealing the bylaw at the next scheduled Council meeting with additional discussion on changes to the bylaw.

- For: All Against: None CARRIED
- 5. Fire Truck delivery date for new truck. Referred to the Fire Management Committee.

Adjournment:

Moved by Bachman and Sikkenga
95/21 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:11p.m.
For: All Against: None CARRIED

Original Signed in Office

Reeve

Original Signed in Office

Chief Administrative Officer