

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on December 14, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

This meeting was available by Conference Call.

Present: Reeve Amerongen, Deputy Reeve Sikkenga, Councillors Honke McDougald and Malkoske (conference call), Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

291/21 **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

Reading and Confirming of Minutes

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

292/21 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on November 16 and 17, 2021, 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 Honke and seconded by Amerongen

293/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23192 to 23221

Electronic Payments EFT 5031 to 5067

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$168,136.96.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by McDougald

294/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 5068 and 5069;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,367.07.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 294/21, Reeve Amerongen and Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. They left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

2. Financial Statements ending November 30, 2021

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

295/21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the financial statements ending November 30, 2021, are hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Public Works: Update of December 7, 2021

Fire Department: Report for November, 2021

Utility: Report for November, 2021

By-Law Enforcement: Report for November, 2021. Noted. Request for direction on a noise by-law concern. Administration was directed to address any inquiries of this type with a letter which was approved by Council.

Reports of Committees:

- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee; and
- Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility.

Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Honke and Malkoske on the Public Works Committee; and Deputy Reeve Sikkenga and Councillor Malkoske on the Fire Management Committee and the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District; Councillor McDougald on the Whitemouth Library; and Reeve Amerongen on the Conference Call held with Minister Schuler regarding maintenance work on the entrances to each of our hamlets. Discussed. It was noted that the Province thought we may do some of the works and invoice them. It was also noted that after requesting meeting with the Minister and it being set for Council that there were additional municipalities on the call without our knowledge. Administration to advise the Ministers Office of Councils concern.

Communications:

1. Association for Community Living – 2022 Request for Grant, and five year expenditure recap. Administration was directed to advise that our municipality will not be contributing.

2. Brokenhead River Planning District re: Public Hearing. Noted.

3. Murray Barkman – request to hook onto municipal utilities.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

296/21 **WHEREAS** a request and deposit to hook onto our municipal water utility has been received from Murray Barkman;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Barkman's property is located on Karpoff and identified currently by Roll Nos. 86793, 86794 & 86795;

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

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the appropriate fees be paid in full, to the municipality for each of the 4 connections, prior to the installation by the contractor.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

4. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority – response regarding funding request increase for Two Rivers Seniors Resource Council Inc. Noted.

5. Two Rivers Seniors Resource Council Inc. – request for support letters to apply for grants for Happy Hours Club and WERT.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

297/21 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Two Rivers Senior Resource Council Inc. for Council to support a grant application being applied for on behalf of the Happy Hours Club from the Second Harvest grant for food and kitchen equipment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth does hereby support this application for funding.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

298/21 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Two Rivers Senior Resource Council Inc. for Council to support a grant application being applied for on behalf of the Whitemouth Emergency Response Team from the Building Sustainable Communities grant for equipment and training;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth does hereby support this application for funding.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

6. Scott Telecom Services Ltd. – internet with the Province of Manitoba going thru Whitemouth information and inquiries. Administration was directed to invite them as a delegation to our next Council Meeting and to provide this communication to Public Works for their input.
7. Larry Stelko re: snow removal concern. Council directed to confirm that we will be following our policy for snow removal.
8. Mathew Bowen – request to connect to municipal utilities. Tabled.

Unfinished Business:

1. NorthStar Communications Inc. – information of October 28, 2021. Tabled.
2. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Land for Lagoon. Tabled.
3. Administration Building re: Building Report. See New Business No. 13.
4. MTERRA Legal Services re: M. Barkman request for subdivision approval. See New Business 11.
5. Newly Elected Officials Conference with George Cuff in Beausejour. Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Sikkenga
299/21 **WHEREAS** the Town of Beausejour has invited the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to participate in the George Cuff Conference for newly elected officials on November 15 and 16, 2022;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves registration for 6 participants.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

6. Eastman Tourism – Referred to Administration.
7. Landmark Planning & Design – any Council feedback. Not presently.
8. Two Rivers Seniors Resource Council Inc. re: Handivan Response. Administration was directed to thank them for their proposal and advise that presently we would not be participating.
9. Manitoba Hydro request to connect to utilities – information from the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet. Administration was directed to advise that this would be an RM of Lac du Bonnet customer under our current water agreement. In regards to sewer, Lac du Bonnet would collect and reimburse our municipality direct for the sewer service.

New Business:

1. Pandemic Protocol Update – no additional information.
2. December Indemnity reminder for Administration. Noted.
3. Fuel Tender for 2022 & 2023.
Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald
300/21 **WHEREAS** fuel tenders have been requested, received and reviewed to supply bulk diesel fuel for the years 2022 and 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Co-op Consumers Co-operative Ltd. is the successful tenderer at the cost of 1.1193 cents/liter plus 5% GST For Dyed Diesel delivered to our Whitemouth yard.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

4. Recreation Program Inquiries & Thank you from Courtney Bangert-Murray. Pickle Ball can be run through the Whitemouth River Recreation Commission by signing the Agreement approved by Council, with a \$100.00 fee for a year; that an advertisement for Recreation Director to be placed in January, 2022; and to offer that the 4H Funds may be transferred to their 4H Bank Account.
5. By-Law regarding Vacant and Derelict buildings and unsightly properties. Noted.
6. Set pricing for municipally owned property. Administration was directed to continue sharing assessment roll information as a guide, and that any offers will be taken to Council for their consideration.
7. Fire Department re: number of fire fighters. Referred to Budget 2022 discussions.
8. CN – Community 2021 Report. Noted.
9. Community Planning re: Subdivision Application in Pt. SE ¼ 36-11-11EPM (Penner)

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

301/21 **WHEREAS** an subdivision application has been received from Dennis Penner for the SE ¼ 36-11-11EPM;

AND WHEREAS a recommendation for this proposed subdivision has been received from the Community Planning Branch;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve this subdivision.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

10. Way to Go Consulting – date for orientation.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

302/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council Orientation held solely for Whitemouth Council will be held on October 29, 2022;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Administration be hereby directed to secure same.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

11. Community Planning re: Subdivision Application in Pt. SE ¼ 36-11-11EPM (Neyedli/Demare/Barkman). Tabled.
12. Whitemouth Library – current financial ending November, 2021 & March 16, 2021. Noted.
13. Administration Building Report from Pinchin. Tabled.

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

303/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council recess the Regular meeting and go "In Camera" as per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss the following item: Personnel;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske
304/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act
Council does hereby now re-open the meeting to the public.
For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Discussion was held on personnel, referred to Budget 2022 discussions.

Adjournment:
Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald
305/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this
meeting does hereby adjourn at 8:39 p.m.
For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Original signed in office

Reeve

Original signed in office

Chief Administrative Officer