

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on October 10, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

Present: Reeve Amerongen, Councillors McDougald, Staerk and Stead, and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Excused: Deputy Reeve Honke

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Reading and Confirming of Agenda and Minutes:

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

297/23 **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**

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Stead

298/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes of their regular meeting held on September 26, 2023, have been submitted to Council for their review;

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

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts:

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

299/23 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 24402 to 24527

Electronic Payments EFT 7389 to 7413

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$157,522.64.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

300/23 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 7414 & 7415

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,817.95.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 300/23, Reeve Amerongen requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Reports of Committees:

- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee re: minutes of August 21, 2023.

Verbal Reports of Committees:

Councillor Stead on the Whitemouth Library and Reeve Amerongen on Policing.

Delegations:

1:30 p.m. Whitemouth Library Chairperson Manny Sikkenga participated by telephone to share information on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and requested posters for same; and she requested that the Library be opened on Thursday afternoons from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. See below.

Communications:

1. Adelene Schultz re: Whitemouth Library Financial approved. Noted.
 2. Taxservice – confirmation report, all outstanding paid. Tax Sale Cancelled. Noted.
 3. Local Government District of Pinawa re: notice of public hearing. Noted.
 4. Harry Pluchinski re: request to hunt and trap.
- Moved by McDougald and seconded by Staerk

301/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** authorization be hereby granted to Harry Pluchinski to hunt and trap until August 31, 2024, on the following municipal properties:

Roll No.	Description
137300	NW 13-12-12 EPM
141600	NE 23-12-12-EPM
143500	SE 26-12-12 EPM
59200	SW 24-11-11 EPM
134725	NE 2-12-12 EPM
113500	NW 4-12-11 EPM

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this authorization may be revoked at any time at the discretion of Council.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

5. Rural Municipality of Springfield re: notice of public hearing. Noted.
6. Federal Canada Community-Building Fund re: new provincial contact information. Noted.
7. Manitoba Association of Senior Communities re: Age Friendly Manitoba 2.0 grant program for Two Rivers Service to Seniors. Noted.
8. Rural Municipality of Reynolds re: Fire Fighting Retainer – Tabled.
9. Whitemouth Fire Department re: pagers and radios – Administration was directed to approve same requesting additional quotes. It was noted that delivery is not until January, 2024.

Unfinished Business:

1. Lagoon re: continue funding works. Tabled.
2. Waterline South of Elma – Senior Utility Operator Campbell has initiated initial works on cost estimates. Tabled.
3. Insurance inquiry for Western Financial regarding fraudulent activity of CAO – Tabled.
4. Air B & B initial works commenced. Tabled.

New Business:

1. Organizational By-Law 697/20 Review – No changes.
2. Procedural By-Law 696/20 Review – Referred to Administration for minor changes. Tabled.
3. Council Members – disclosure of assets due November 30th annually. Noted.

4. By-Law No. 752/23 re: trailer fees

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

302/23 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 752/23, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to rescind by-law No. 742/23;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 752/23 be hereby given first reading.

For: Amerongen, Staerk, Stead Abstained: McDougald **CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

303/23 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 752/23, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to rescind by-law No. 742/23;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 752/23 be hereby given second reading.

For: Amerongen, Staerk, Stead Abstained: McDougald **CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolutions 302/23 and 303/23, Councillor McDougald requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolutions had been completed.

5. Sunrise School Division re: Strategic Planning Meeting

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

304/23 **WHEREAS** the Sunrise School Division will be holding it's Strategic Planning session in Beausejour, Manitoba, and has invited Council;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT they be hereby authorized to attend same;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

6. Municipal Policies – Council agreed to hold a special meeting on November 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss municipal policies.

Council took a brief recess prior to their delegation appointment.

In Camera:

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Stead

305/23 **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/legal
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 Staerk/Stead

306/23 **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**

Council passed the following resolutions regarding the Building Inspector position.

Moved by Staerk and seconded by McDougald

307/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Marc Ruta be paid Two Thousand Dollars to conclude his Building Inspector services with the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

308/23 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 751/23, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to rescind by-law No. 699/20;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 751/23 be hereby given first reading.

For: Amerongen, Staerk, Stead Abstained: McDougald **CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

309/23 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 751/23, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to rescind by-law No. 699/20;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 751/23 be hereby given second reading.

For: Amerongen, Staerk, Stead Abstained: McDougald **CARRIED**

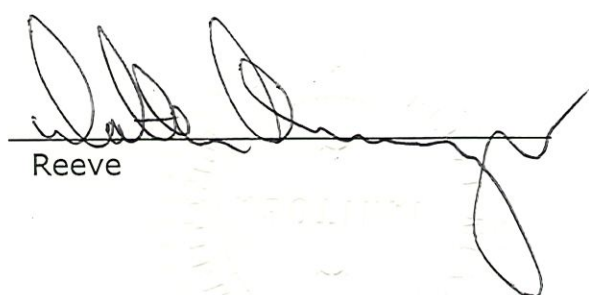
Council directed to advise the Whitemouth Library that their requests to be open on Thursday's from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and to donate posters for their Dolly Parton imagination Library Program were both approved.

Adjournment:

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

310/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:12 p.m.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer