RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 16, 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 Malkoske and McDougald (conference call), Chief Administrative Officer Johnson.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

264/21 **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 Honke and seconded by Malkoske

265/21 WHEREAS the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on November 2, 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

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

266/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23132 to 23164

Electronic Payments EFT 4070 to 5005

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$814,381.60, of which \$712,071.03 is school taxes.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

267/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 5006 and 5007;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,381.49.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

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Prior to any discussion on Resolution 267/21, 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 October 31, 2021

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

268/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the financial statements ending October 31, 2021, as circulated to Council are hereby adopted as presented.

For: All Against: None

Public Works: Update of November 9, 2021.

Senior Utility Operator: October, 2021 Report.

Reports of Committees:

- Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District minutes of September 13, 2021.

Communications:

1. Manitoba Hydro – request to hook the Seven Sisters Generating Station onto municipal utilities.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

269/21 WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro has requested to be connected to the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth's municipal water and sewer, which would extend outside of our municipal boundaries;
 AND WHEREAS Council is receptive to providing this service to Manitoba Hydro;
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration be hereby directed to research same.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

- 2. Municipal Emergency Coordinator report on Manitoba Disaster Management Conference. Noted.
- 3. Regional Handivan awaiting additional information. Tabled.
- 4. Minister Schuler response that Old PTH 15 is not included in the Routes: Trade and Commerce strategy. Noted.

5. DD West re: Rec Commission - Tabled. Planning District resolutions. Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

270/21 WHEREAS Council of the Rural Municipality have agreed to accept the enforcement powers held by the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District under Development Plan No. 43/18, as amended from time to time, Zoning By-law No. 706/20, as amended from time to time and Building By-law 622/14, as amended from time to time;
AND WHEREAS the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District has passed their By-Law No. 49/21 relinquishing such powers;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth take over these powers immediately.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

6. Information & Privacy Policy Secretariat – Freedom of Information Session. Noted.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. NorthStar Communications Inc. information of October 28, 2021. Administration was directed to request an update. Tabled.
- 2. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Lagoon land size response & information from PWS Tolpa on location. Lands to be further researched. Referred to In Camera. Tabled.
- 3. Administration Building re: Awaiting Building Report. Tabled.
- 4. Holiday Train donation information from Lions on local Food Banks. Discussed.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

271/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a donation of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars be hereby provided to the Whitemouth Lions for the CP Holiday Food bank/Fundraiser;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a donation of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars be hereby provided to the Whitemouth Lions for the Christmas Hamper Program.

For: Amerongen, Sikkenga, Honke, McDougald Against: Malkoske CARRIED

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5. Whitemouth Childcare Centre Committee re: old Fire Hall for childcare facility. Chairman Sikkenga reported that they have viewed the old fire hall and although not impossible would be costly to renovate. The goal is still to have the facility within the School.

New Business:

1. Pandemic Protocol Update. No new information. Tabled.

2. Provisional Estimates

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

272/21 WHEREAS in accordance with Section 163 of The Municipal Act requires that an interim operating budget be completed to have effect from January 1, 2022, until the adoption of the operating budget fiscal year is completed; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following interim operating budget by adopted: **Operating Requirement –** General Government Services \$ 200,000.00 **Protective Services** \$ 50,000.00 \$ 200,000.00 **Transportation Services** Environmental Health Services \$ 20,000.00 \$ 10,000.00 Public Health & Welfare Services Environmental Development Services \$ 20,000.00 \$ 20,000.00 Economic Development Services \$ 10,000.00 Recreation & Cultural Services Fiscal Services -\$ 100,000.00 Capital Requirements Borne by Reserves \$100,000.00

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

3. Reeve Amerongen advised of an inquiry received regarding the Association for Community Living in Beausejour at the Eastman Regional Municipal Committee. Referred to Administration to provide the contributions provided to them from our municipality over the past 5 years. Tabled.

In Camera:

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

273/21 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: Land Negotiations; 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 Honke

274/21 **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

Administration was directed to inquire about leasing of Administration space. In addition, Reeve Amerongen and Administration to connect with property owners regarding lagoon lands.

Adjournment:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

275/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Original signed in Office

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Chief Administrative Officer