RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 24, 2022, at 2:00 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(2:50 p.m.),

Councillors Honke, McDougald and Malkoske (conference call), and

Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

162/22 **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 McDougald

163/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the meetings of Council, held on May 10, 2022, have been submitted to Council for their review;

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

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

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

164/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23463 to 23482

Electronic Payments EFT 6279 to 6300

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$64,319.56.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Malkoske

176/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 6301 and 6302

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,488.57.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 176/22, 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 for April, 2022

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

165/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the financial statements ending April 30, 2022, be hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Utility Report: for April, 2022 & Pump Update of May 16, 2022

Public Works: May 17, 2022, Update, Utility Pump & Railbed Road

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

166/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a new intake pump be purchased for the Water Treatment Plant.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

167/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration be hereby directed to contact the adjacent property owners of a portion of Railbed Road.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Verbal Reports of Committees:

Verbal reports were received from Councillor Honke on Public Works and Eastman Tourism; Reeve Amerongen on CNL Decommissioning; and Councillor Malkoske on Public Works.

Variation Hearing:

2:30 p.m. Kyle and Melanie Kurlowich of 68157 PR 408, request to reduce front yard setback of 125 feet to 29.99 feet on application V 14/2022.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

173/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular order of business of Council be temporarily suspended to open a public hearing to consider a Variation Application for Roll No. 124400, being Variation Application No. V 14/2022.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

174/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the business of the Public Hearing is now completed and is now closed that Council return to there regular order of business of the Council Meeting.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

175/22 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Kyle and Melonie Kurlowich to allow for the location of a garage;

AND WHEREAS the application No. is V 14/2022;

AND WHEREAS the property is located in the NE of Section 22, Township 12, in Range 11EPM, and identified as Roll No. 124400;

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

5:00 p.m. **Tax Impact Presentation** – David Forbes & Chantelle Bazin Manitoba Assessment Officers, and Ben Lyle, Municipal Services Officer for Manitoba Municipal Advisory Services attended to present Council with their report on the impact of the reassessment for 2023. The Assessment Officers provided an overview of the report and the Municipal Services Officer provided the options available to Council regarding the reassessment and will be providing them to Council in writing.

Communications:

1. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Municipal Board Informational Session.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

168/22 **WHEREAS** the Association of Manitoba Municipalities are offering an informational session on the Municipal Board;

AND WHEREAS this session will be held in Whitemouth, Manitoba, on May 30, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all members of Council be hereby authorized to attend same;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they are reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 2. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Quarry Rehabilitation Informational Session. Noted.
- 3. Whitemouth Recreation Association request for Sports Days to be a community event.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

169/22 **WHEREAS** the Whitemouth Recreation Association has requested that their annual Sports Days on July 30 and July 31, 2022, be declared a Community Event;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby declare this a Community Event; **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** on Sunday, July 31, 2022, certain streets be blocked off in conjunction with Public Works Staff to accommodate a parade.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

4. Rural Municipality of Reynolds re: invitation to opening of new office. Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

170/22 **WHEREAS** an invitation has been received from the Rural Municipality of Reynolds to attend the opening of their new office;

AND WHEREAS this will take place on June 21, 2022, in Hadashville, Manitoba;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all members of Council are hereby authorized to attend same;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

5. BDO Canada LLP re: Auditor overall presentation to Council, tentatively booked for July 12, 2022, at 3pm.

Moved by

171/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council be authorized to attend a special meeting on July 12, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. to receive an Auditor Presentation; **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** they be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 6. Community Futures Winnipeg River re: Pre-Election Seminar inquiry request for direction. Will be an in-person presentation held on July 25, 2022, and is to be advertised on our website, the Clipper, Facebook and Community Billboards.
- 7. Community Futures Winnipeg River invitation to Annual General Meeting and Awards Banquet.

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

172/22 **WHEREAS** Community Futures Winnipeg River will be holding their Annual General Meeting and Awards Banquet on June 13, 2022; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all members of Council are hereby authorized to attend same;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Manitoba Water Services Board re: land acquisition. Tabled.
- 2. Activity Programmer Position & Recreation Agreement with Lac du Bonnet to be dissolved. Referred to In Camera. Tabled.
- 3. Fire Hall Parking Lot re: Manitoba Hydro/MTS Pole awaiting MTS quote.

- 4. Rural Municipality of Reynolds re: proposed joint meeting date of September 20 @ 5:30 p.m. Council agreed this would be more beneficial for the newly elected Council's to attend.
- 5. By-Law No. 734/22 re: Dynobel Agreement

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

177/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that By-Law No. 734/22, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Dyno Nobel Canada Inc. be hereby given second reading.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

178/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that By-Law No. 734/22, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Dyno Nobel Canada Inc. be hereby given third and final reading.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

6. Manitoba Hydro re: shoreline presentation date offered for the fall. Discussed. Council agreed this would be more beneficial for the newly elected Council to attend.

New Business:

- 1. Pandemic Discussion Tabled.
- 2. Administration Office Building Inspector Ruta advised of shingle damage and painting of basement.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

179/22 **WHEREAS** tenders have been requested for the painting of two rooms in the basement of our Administrative Building;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the successful tenderer is Helbrecht Decorating in the amount of \$1,250.00 plus GST.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 3. Reeve Amerongen re: Acquiring a Handivan. He advised that when ordering a new unit, delivery would be approximately 18 months. Noted.
- 4. Gravel tender for 2022 season

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

180/22 **WHEREAS** tenders have been requested and received for gravel crushing and loader tender for 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the successful tenderer is Al Meisner Ltd. in the amount of \$8.20 per Metric Tonne.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

5. Interim Fire Chief & Transition Process

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

181/22 **WHEREAS** an Interim Fire Chief will be required commencing July 1, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ron Toews is hereby appointed Interim Fire Chief effective July 1, 2022.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

182/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Fire Chief Thomson, Interim Fire Chief Toews, and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson work together to learn office practices.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

6. Supplemental Taxes

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

183/22 WHEREAS as per Section 326 of The Municipal Act the Municipal

Assessor has provided updates for addition or cancellation to Roll Numbers in the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth dated May 10, 2022; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following be

added/cancelled from the Tax Rolls:

2021 2022 -373.10 -644.50

For: All Against: None CARRIED

7. Bursary for 2022 - Referred to In Camera. Tabled.

In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

184/22 **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 & 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

185/22 Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald

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

Recreation Director Position:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald

186/22 **WHEREAS** efforts to hire a Recreation Director jointly with the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet have been unsuccessful;

AND WHEREAS both municipal corporations mutually feel it in the best interests of their ratepayers to pursue this initiative individually;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agreement dated July 14, 2020, be terminated;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that Administration be hereby directed to have By-Law No. 704/20 rescinded.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Activity Coordinator Position:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

187/77 **WHEREAS** advertisements have been circulated and submissions received for the part-time/casual Activity Coordinator position;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the successful applicant is Corie Koch;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the start date for this position is June 1, 2022;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this position be re-evaluated in January of 2023.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Grade Twelve Bursaries – Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused Prior to discussing this item and did not return to the In Camera session.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by McDougald

188/22 **WHEREAS** a grade twelve bursary has been established;

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth does two bursary's, being one for a college applicant and one for a university student:

AND WHEREAS no applications were received for a college applicant; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** two University bursaries be awarded for 2022;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the successful applicants are Paris Plaetinck and Jordan Inkster.

For: Amerongen, Sikkenga, Malkoske, McDougald Abstained: Honke **CARRIED**

At this time Council had a break until their 5:00 p.m. presentation.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen 189/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council now take an intermission until the 5:00 p.m. presentation from Manitoba Assessment.

Adjournment:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga
190/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 6:00 p.m.

For: All Against: None CARRIED