

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 9, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

256/22 **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 Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

257/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of for July 26, 2022, 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

258/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23608 to 23636

Electronic Payments EFT 6438 to 6458

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$80,478.85.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Malkoske

259/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 6459 and 6460;

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

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 259/22, 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 July, 2022.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

260/22 **WHEREAS** the financial statements ending July 31, 2022, have been circulated to Council for their review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT financial statements ending July 31, 2022, be hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Public Works: August 2, 2022 Update. Councillors Honke and Malkoske provided an overview.

Activity Coordinator: July 2022 Report. Noted.

By-Law Enforcement Officer: July 2022 Report. Noted.

Verbal Reports of Committees:

Reeve Amerongen reported that the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority advised of Lab closures in Whitemouth due to staffing issues, Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc. and Childcare; Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on Childcare and Councillor McDougald on the Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc.

Communications:

- 1. Species at Risk re: Report on the Progress of Recovery Strategy Implementation for the Carmine Shiner now available online. Noted.
- 2. RCMP Lac du Bonnet Detachment re: Quarterly Report. Noted.
- 3. Brad Schultz – resignation. Noted.
- 4. Paul Thomson – thank you for Retirement Dinner. Noted.
- 5. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: news bulletin highlighting municipal elections. Noted.
- 6. BDO Canada LLP re: 2021 Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District Financial Statements. Noted.
- 7. BDO Canada LLP re: 2021 Whitemouth-Reynolds-North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility Financial Statements. Noted.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Manitoba Water Services Board re: lagoon lands moving forward. Tabled.

- 2. Handivan re: purchase

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

261/22 **WHEREAS** pricing has been requested, received and reviewed for a new handivan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a 2022 Promaster 2500 Handivan be purchased from Move Mobility at a cost of \$128,165.38 plus applicable taxes is hereby approved;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a deposit in the amount of \$15,000.00 is hereby authorized to be paid out now and deducted from the final payment.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

- 3. Building Inspector re: mechanism inquiry on moving buildings into our Municipality. Tabled.
- 4. Indemnity Review for populations 1470 to 1738. A by-law will be prepared for Council’s consideration. Tabled.

New Business:

- 1. Pandemic Discussion – Tabled.
- 2. Administration Office – Tabled.
- 3. By-Law No. 736/22 Appoint Fire Chief

262/22 **WHEREAS** the Fire Chief position has recently become vacant;
AND WHEREAS Fire Fighter Personnel have recommended that their
current Deputy Fire Chief Ron Toews be offered the position;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ron Toews be
hereby appointed as the Fire Chief retroactive to July 1, 2022;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 736/22 appointing
a Fire Chief, be hereby given first reading.

4. Procurement Policy – request for direction, shortage of contractors/supplies. Discussed. Staff will continue to adhere to the policy, documenting inquiries made.
5. By-Law Enforcement re: Personnel Inquiry – Tabled to In Camera.
6. Signs – Administration advised that municipal signs have been going missing, by either vandalism or theft. Noted.

263/22 **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 and Negotiations
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

264/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does hereby now re-open the meeting to the public.

Council directed Administration to provide a letter of support for a new health facility in our region; and directed that our By-Law Enforcement Officer be directed to work further on noise by-law concerns and ensure all clauses are enforced.

265/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 5:39 p.m.