

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 14, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

198/20 **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

199/20 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 23, 2020, have been submitted to Council for their review;

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

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

200/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22227 to 22246

Electronic Payments EFT 2989 to 3011;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$34,851.53.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Bachman

201/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Payments EFT 3012 & 3013;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,208.44.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 201/20 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

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

202/20 **WHEREAS** the financial statements ending June 30, 2020, have been circulated to Council for their review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT these statements be adopted as circulated.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Reports of Committees:

Verbal reports were provided by Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on the Clinical Teaching Unit and the Whitemouth Fire Committee Meeting; Councillor Honke on Public Works; Councillor Bachman on the Whitemouth Emergency Response Team; and Councillor Malkoske on Public Works and the Whitemouth Fire Committee meeting.

Public Works: Update of July 14, 2020, with recommendations for providing an additional Port-O-Potty in Seven Sister Falls, Green Team Employee replacement and Grass Cutting Tenders.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

203/20 **WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth generally provides one Port-O-Potty per summer season in the community of Seven Sister Falls;

AND WHEREAS the contractor that provides this service has recommended that two are currently required;

AND WHEREAS this is required due to increased travel within our region due to the current Covid Pandemic;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby approve same.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

204/20 **WHEREAS** Adam Kerr a Green Team Grant participant accepted a position from another employer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Warren Erin be hired as a Green Team Member.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

205/20 **WHEREAS** tenders have been received and reviewed for grass cutting in both the North and South Zones of our municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tenders be awarded to Blaney Contracting for the North in the amount of \$4,260.00 plus GST per cut and in the South in the amount of \$7,650.00 each plus GST per cut.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Utility Report: June, 2020 – Noted.

Delegations:

6:30 p.m. Jeff Pratte of Landmark Planning & Design working on behalf of the Manitoba Water Services Board attended by teleconference. He provided a presentation on Exploring An Eastern Region Water Co-op. The body of water being utilized was discussed. Mr. Pratte will continue to update Council on this project.

6:45 p.m. Jim Castle advised he would not be attending.

7:00 p.m. Peter Gross attended, on behalf of the residents of Scott's Hill Road to request regular maintenance and gravelling of the road. Mr. Gross advised Council that the grader had not been down the road in 6 weeks and no gravel was placed in 2019. Administration was directed to research and communicate back to Mr. Gross.

Communications:

1. Lac du Bonnet & District Chamber of Commerce re: Winnipeg River Burger Trail – request for contribution.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

206/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Lac du Bonnet & District Chamber of Commerce for \$150.00 to assist in costs pertaining to their "Winnipeg River Burger Trail;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this request is hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

2. Eastman Tourism – request for letter of support. Administration was directed to provide same.

3. Ralph Bruegner & Blanche Bouchard – request to hook onto municipal water. Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

207/20 **WHEREAS** a request to hook onto our municipal water hookup has been received from Blanch Bouchard and Ralph Bruegner;

AND WHEREAS their property is located at 37 Regan Avenue, being Lots 17 and 18 of Block 8 of Plan No. 1413, which is our Roll No. 44700;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that this request is hereby approved;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they pay the appropriate fees in full to the municipality prior to installation of the connection.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

4. Manitoba Infrastructure Construction & Maintenance re: Bog River Bridge Replacement. Public Works will be directed to ensure the site is left in safe condition and all appropriate authorities are advised of the works in advance.

5. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority – request to enter into an agreement for the requirements to adequately install sprinklers into the Whitemouth Personal Care Home.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Sikkenga

208/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Interlake-Eastern Health Authority to enter into an Agreement to allow for placing fire sprinklers in the Whitemouth Personal Care Home;

AND WHEREAS it provides for assets to be left as ownership of our Municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this draft Agreement be forwarded to our Municipal Solicitors for their opinions;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Administration be hereby directed to sign the required documentation once approval has been received from our solicitors.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

6. Mothers Against Drunk Drivers re: request for advertising.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

209/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Mothers Against Drunk Driving to advertise in their 2020 MADD Message Yearbook;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that this request is hereby approved.

For: Amerongen, Sikkenga, Bachman & Honke Against: Malkoske **CARRIED**

7. Brian Pischke re: request to rent industrial park for 3 years. Administration was directed to offer Mr. Pischke to cut and take the hay for this year at no charge this year (2020) only. No further commitments are being made at this time.

8. Community Futures Winnipeg River re: fiber internet information – request for letter of support. Administration was directed to request additional information be provided as available, however declined to provide a letter of support at this time.

9. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: 2020 Annual Convention will be a virtual event. Noted.

10. Adelene Shultz re: Elma Community Club Financials approved. Noted.

11. Manitoba Conservation and Climate re: Seven Sisters Lagoon inspection, everything in compliance. Noted.

12. InterGroup Consultants/Amber Flett re: cemetery project write up. The brochures were circulated to Council for their information. Noted.
13. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Eastern Directors Update. Noted.
14. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Bill 48 Toolkit. Noted.
15. Community Futures Winnipeg River – Accessible Customer Service. It was noted that all Administration had completed this program and it may be provided to Public Works through a Workplace Safety & Health meeting.
16. Dennis Penner – request to hook onto municipal water and sewer.
Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke
210/20 **WHEREAS** a request for a free hook up to municipal water has been received from Dennis Penner;
AND WHEREAS his property is located at 11 Karpoff Avenue (Unit 1), being Lot 3 of Block 4 of Plan No. 34834, which is our Roll No. 86808;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request for a free hook up is hereby denied;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT his request to hook onto municipal water is hereby approved, however he must pay the appropriate fees in full to the municipality prior to installation of the connection.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Unfinished Business:

1. Update on 200 acres – awaiting confirmation on meeting with MLA Ewasko. Tentatively set for July 28, 2020.
2. Drop Off Box – information from Border Glass. Discussed. The consensus of Council was not to purchase same.
3. Fire Guard/Bog – Councillor Malkoske noted that this is part of the Trans Canada Trail. This item will be discussed with MLA Ewasko. Tabled.
4. Lagoon – update on land contact. Discussed. Administration was directed to pursue test holes on approved locations. Tabled.
5. Recreation Services re: By-Law No. 704/20.
Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke
211/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 704/20 being a by-law for the provision of Recreation Director services be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

- 212/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 704/20 being a by-law for the provision of Recreation Director services be hereby given third and final reading.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

6. Document Storage - Tabled

New Business:

1. Office cleaning

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

- 213/20 **WHEREAS** the current Administration Building Cleaning Contract will be completed on August 31, 2020;

AND WHEREAS the current provider, Sylvie Lean has offered to continue carrying out these duties for an additional 3 years at the same rate of pay;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration be directed to extend her services to August 31, 2023, at the rate of \$625.00 per month.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

2. Zoning By-Law re: inquiries from Municipal Planner. Tabled.
3. Two Rivers Service to Seniors – request to apply for grant for air conditioners for Riverbend Manor. Discussed. Administration was directed to correspond with Manitoba Housing regarding the heat exhaustion concern with copies being provided to MLA Ewasko, MP Falk and Minister Friesen.
4. Whiteshell Laboratories Community Regeneration Partnership – invitation to virtual conference on Small Modular Reactors. Deputy Reeve Sikkenga and Councillor Bachman both participated in this information update.

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

214/19 **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 items: Personnel and 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 Amerongen and seconded by Sikkenga

215/19 **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 provide the Union the response to the Collective Agreement requests as provided by the Union Committee.

Adjournment:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

216/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

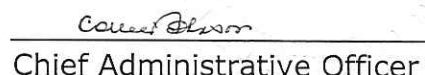
For: All

Against: None

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer