

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 25, 2022, 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 McDougald and Malkoske (conference call), and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

23/22 **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

24/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on January 11, 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

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

25/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the special meeting of Council, held on January 21, 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

26/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23267 to 23285

Electronic Payments EFT 6026 to 6047

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$42,861.55.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Malkoske

27/22 **WHEREAS** the following item has been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 6048 to 6049

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,675.53.

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 27/22, 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.

Public Works: Update of January 19, 2022

Utility Report: December, 2021

Reports of Committees:

- Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility – minutes of November 29, 2021; and
- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee – minutes of December 20, 2021

Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Honke and Malkoske on the Public Works Committee; Councillor Honke on Eastman Tourism; and Councillor Malkose on Community Futures Winnipeg River.

Communications:

1. Manitoba Assessment re: 2023 Board of Revision date.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

28/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the 2023 Board of Revision be held on October 11, 2022.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

2. Way to go Consulting re: Elected Officials Orientation grant information. Noted. Administration was directed to inquire if they would be interested in doing a pre-election orientation for any potential candidates. In addition, Reeve Amerongen will check with the Eastman Regional Municipal Committee to see if others may be interested. Tabled.

3. Manitoba Assessment re: Tax Impact/Open House Information.

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Honke

29/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a Tax Impact Meeting for Council be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT an open house session be also held on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

4. Hudsons Bay Route – request for membership. Noted.
5. RCMP Quarterly Report – Noted.
6. Eastman Tourism re: Municipal Partnership 2022 – Noted.
7. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Federal Grade Crossings Regulations Site Inquiry – Referred to the Public Works Committee.
8. Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet re: Public Hearing notice. Noted.
9. Christina Putschker re: request to revisit property ownership. Council approved Administration to review the file only looking at her and the neighbouring properties. Tabled.
10. Whitemouth & District Lions Club re: Emergency Grant information. Noted.
11. Mothers Against Drunk Drivers – request for advertisement. Noted.
12. Eastman Tourism re: free recycle bins from Recycle Manitoba. Referred to the Public Works Committee.

Unfinished Business:

1. NorthStar Communications Inc. – Agreements received from NorthStar by Canada Post this morning. Tabled for final review.
2. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Land for Lagoon. Tabled to Budget meeting on February 8, 2022.

3. Canada Post re: Elma post office closure. Information was received from an entrepreneur that would like to continue utilizing the Elma Community Centre as the post office. Administration to connect the entrepreneur and Canada Post representatives.
4. Municipal Fire Inspector – We are not able to rent this service from Beausejour. Both the LGD of Pinawa and the RM of Lac du Bonnet are looking into being able to rent this service to us. Tabled.

New Business:

1. Pandemic Protocol Update – Tabled. Vaccine policy draft provided as information. Noted.
2. Recreation Director Position – Administration was directed to conduct the interviews and provide a recommendation to Council. Approval was received to include a Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet representative, since we have an agreement to share this position with them. Tabled.
3. North Eastern Municipal Forum on February 14, 2022. Administration was directed to inquire about Waste Management initiatives such as QR codes.
4. DD West, Municipal Solicitor – request to set fine amount.

In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

30/22 **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 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 McDougald and seconded by Honke

31/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does hereby now re-open the meeting to the public.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

32/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the fine fee requested by the Municipal Solicitor be set at \$100.00 per day.

Adjournment:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald

33/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Original signed in office

Reeve

Original signed in office

Chief Administrative Officer