

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 21, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

25/20 **WHEREAS** the agenda for this meeting has been reviewed by Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda shall be adopted as amended.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Building Inspector Ruta attended to provide Council an update on Planning initiatives which included but was not limited to the following:

- Updates were provided on Recreational Vehicles being placed on properties in our municipality without authority or permits. Building Inspector Ruta will provide additional information and at that time request Council's direction;
- Plumbing Permit inquiry

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

26/20 **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: 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 Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

27/20 **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

Council requested that additional information in this regard will be incorporated into the Building Permit Information Package which Building Inspector Ruta provides with each building inquiry.

- Joint Garages in Seven Sisters Falls. Council directed that Building Inspector Ruta correspond with property owners to request that these Buildings be removed/demolished; and
- Structure without permit, may or may not be required to be issued by the Office of the Fire Commissioner. Council directed that Building Inspector Ruta pursue same until finalized.

Council thanked Building Inspector Ruta for his updates.

Public Works Supervisor Tolpa attended to provide Council an update on Public Works initiatives which included but was not limited to the following:

- Delivery of snow clearing services, including community centres;
- Capital Plan expenditures – Public Works Supervisor Tolpa has initiated this report and will provide additional information to Administration with the approximate dollar values to provide to Council for review and discussion at their 2020 Budget meeting/s;
- Training of employees;
- Utility Door to Door Blitz ideas;
- Gravel Haul alternatives; and
- Equipment review status.

Council thanked Public Works Supervisor Tolpa for his updates.

Whitemouth River Testing to be completed in 2020, cost shared with the Rural Municipality of Reynolds.

February Utility Blitz will be carried out door to door to ensure knowledge of all utility connections. Much work will be carried out on weekends in an attempt to have ratepayers in attendance.

Lands for Economic Development to be pursued by Administration.

Insurance Claim information request from Solicitor.

In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

28/20 **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: Legal and 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 Honke and seconded by Malkoske

29/20 **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 continue working with the Solicitor on this initiative. Council will review the inquiries and respond back with any input they may have available.

RCMP Town Hall Meeting

Administration was directed to arrange for same to be held on April 15, 2020, commencing at 7:00 p.m. This meeting to be advertised inviting the public to attend, including that youth are encouraged to attend. Venue to be confirmed.

Rural Forum – Host

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Sikkenga

30/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby authorize hosting the Rural Forum meeting to be held on May 11, 2020, in Whitemouth, Manitoba.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Budget 2020

Wendy Kozmak, Financial Assistant attended this portion of the meeting. Council discussed both anticipated expenditures and revenues for 2020. Administration was directed to advise the Fire Department and the Whitemouth Emergency Response Team that Christmas Dinners will not be an authorized expenditure. Council advised that the goal would be to not have the 2020 taxes increased from last year. It was noted that the Province has reassessed for this year so that will make a difference for anyone whose assessment has increased.

Next Budget Meeting to be held on February 11, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Strategic Plan Review

Council reviewed their current strategic plan and made some notes for consideration when creating our next strategic plan.

Union Negotiations

The Public Works current Collective Agreement ends July 31, 2020.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

31/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Councillors Honke and Malkoske and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson be hereby appointed as the Union Negotiating Committee.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

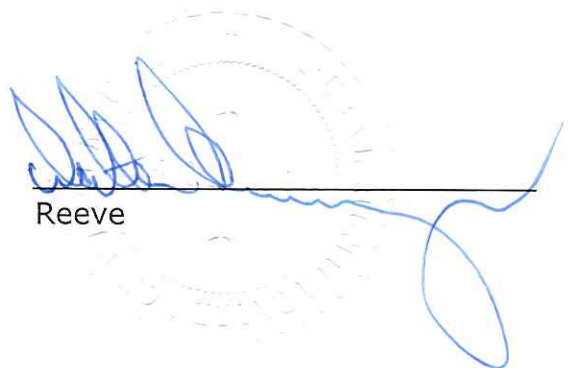
Adjournment:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

32/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 3:45 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED



Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer