

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on February 11, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Excused: Councillor Malkoske

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

51/20 **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 Amerongen

52/20 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 28, 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

2020 Budget – The yearend accounts were reviewed and further discussion on requirements for 2020. A draft budget will be prepared as per direction.

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

53/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque No. 22015 to 22044

Electronic Payments EFT 2685 to 2721

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$123,130.27 of which \$17,166.76 is education tax requirement.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

54/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Electronic Fund Transfer 2722

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$903.18.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

55/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Electronic Fund Transfer 2723

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$1,301.36.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 54/20 Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He vacated his chair and did

not return until the resolution was completed. Prior to any discussion on Resolution 55/20 Reeve Amerongen requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He vacated his chair and did not return until the resolution was completed.

Delegation:

5:30 p.m. Eastman Tourism , Jenny Dupas attended in regards to the marketing initiative recently purchased. Within the purchase there are four parts which Ms. Dupas explained and dates were selected for two of these parts as requested. This project will be a joint effort with input from Eastman Tourism, Council, Website Provider and Administration.

Reports of Committees:

- Whitemouth Emergency Response Team re: Municipal Emergency Coordinator Dowbyhuz report on the Disaster Management Conference; and
- Community Futures Winnipeg River re: minutes.

Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Bachman on the Whitemouth Emergency Response Team; Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on the Two Rivers Service to Seniors and the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility; Councillor Honke on the Municipal Forum Meeting; and Reeve Amerongen on the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Association meeting on Insurance Premiums.

Public Works: Updates of February 11, 2020.

Communications:

1. CP Emergency Fire Fighter Response Training in Pueblo, Colorado – update. Noted.

2. St. Anne Municipality re: STARS request for 1\$ per capita for 2020. Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

56/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been made for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to contribute one dollar per capita towards STARS (Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service) for 2020;

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

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

3. Building Inspector Ruta Re: RV/Tent/Camper information. Discussed. Council directed that as there is no provision for this type of structure that he pursue removal of same within our municipality.
4. Bell PSCS Transition Schedule for the Whitemouth Fire Department. To be referred to the Fire Management Committee.
5. Whitemouth School re: 2020 Career Fair participation invitation. Discussed. Noted. Screening of Feature Film "SILO" to be advertised on our website and posted on our bulletin board in the Administration Office; and February Newsletter. Noted.
6. Whitemouth River Recreation Commission Inc. re: 2020 Budget requirement in the amount of \$30,000.00. Noted.
7. Councillor Bachman – information on Whitemouth River Water Quality. It was noted that the link provided is easily accessible for quick access.
8. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Leading Practices in Municipal Government. Information from January 30, 2020 workshop. Noted.

9. Eastman Tourism re: workshop will discuss the impact customer service has. Noted.
10. Manitoba Department of Families re: meeting with Acting Director of Youth Michelle Stephen-Wiens at the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention in November, 2019, and confirmation of January 30, 2020, meeting with the Child Care Chair and Treasurer. Noted.
11. Federation of Canadian Municipalities re: West summit. Noted.
12. Manitoba Good Roads Association – banquet. It was noted that municipal representatives attending the Municipal Officials Seminar will attend same.
13. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: Visit Coordinator for Rural (doctors) Week – May 25 – 29, 2020.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

- 57/20 **WHEREAS** the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority has requested Reeve Amerongen be the Visit Coordinator in conjunction with the Local Government District of Pinawa;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Amerongen is hereby authorized to participate again in this process;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT he be reimbursed as per municipal policies.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

14. Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet re: 2020 Eastern District Municipal Golf Tournament.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

- 58/20 **WHEREAS** an invitation has been received by the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet to attend the 2020 Eastern District Municipal Golf Tournament on July 9, 2020;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Amerongen and Councillor Honke be hereby authorized to attend same with only their registration fees paid.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

15. Minister of Municipal Relations re: Manitoba Planning Excellence Awards. Noted.

Unfinished Business:

1. Dumping of Debris – A conference call has been set for next week. Tabled.

2. Organizational By-Law 697/20

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

- 59/20 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 697/20 is a by-law to govern the organization of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 697/20 be hereby given first reading.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

3. By-Law No. 698/20 Lane Closure & Sale of Land. Tabled.

4. Whitemouth Happy Hours re: Handi Van Rates – additional information received from Chairperson Saxler. Tabled.

New Business:

1. Audit Tenders will be advertised for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023. Noted.

2. Bulk Fuel Tender – gone out. It was noted that prior to the next tender being distributed we request the fuel audit be completed by the Association of Manitoba Municipalities for our municipality.

3. Appoint Access and Privacy Officer

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

60/20 **WHEREAS** Sections 80 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act requires that each local public body designate a person or group of persons as the Head for the purposes of this Act;
AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth is a local public body under The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth hereby designates the Chief Administrative Officer as the Head of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth for the purpose of The Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

4. Municipal Officials Seminar – afternoon workshop

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Amerongen

61/20 **WHEREAS** an invitation has been received from the Association of Manitoba Municipalities to attend an afternoon Training Workshop in conjunction with the 2020 Municipal Officials Seminiar;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Deputy Reeve Sikkenga and Councillor Honke be hereby authorized to attend same..

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

62/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council recess the Regular meeting and go into "In Camera" as per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss the following item: Union/Labour Issue

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 Honke

63/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any in-camera discussion Reeve Amerongen requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He vacated his chair and did not participate in the in camera discussion.

Council directed Administration to move forward with disciplinary action as per the Collective Agreement.

Adjournment:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

64/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 6:58 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer