

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 25, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

This meeting was available by Conference Call due to COVID-19.

**Present:** Reeve Amerongen, Deputy Reeve Sikkenga, Councillors Bachman, Honke, Malkoske (on the call) and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson.

### Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

244/20 **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

245/20 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 11, 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

246/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22304 to 22327

Electronic Payments EFT 3085 to 3121;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$164,251.62

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to the adoption of accounts, inquiries were made on cheque numbers 22329 and 22343. Referred to Administration for confirmation.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

247/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Payments EFT 3122 & 3123;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,288.44.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 247/20 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.

### Reports of Committees:

- Rural Municipality of Whitemouth Emergency Response Team, minutes of August 12, 2020; and
- Eastern Regional Municipal Committee, minutes of July 20, 2020.

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Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Honke and Councillor Malkose on the Public Works Committee, and by Councillor Honke on Eastman Tourism.

**Public Works:** Minutes of August 24, 2020.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

248/20 **WHEREAS** information is required on the Elevator Road sewer line which requires repairs and/or replacement;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration be directed to acquire what type and size of line would be best suited and costs for same.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

**Utility:** June 2020 Report. Noted.

**Communications:**

1. Ministers of Municipal Relations & of Health, Seniors and Active Living re: thank you and information reporting update. Noted.

2. Art Alex – Road Allowance Inquiry.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

249/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received regarding use of a municipal road allowance in 7-13-11E;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration be hereby directed to acquire information from adjacent property owners to said road allowance and report back to Council.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization – required exercises may be delayed to 2021 due to the current pandemic. Noted.

4. Whitemouth Fire Department – request funds to build a base for the seacan gifted to them.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

250/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Whitemouth Fire Department for funds not to exceed \$2,000.00 for a base for the seacan donated by CP Rail to be located adjacent to the Whitemouth lagoon;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** expense is hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

5. Two Rivers Service to Seniors – grants received. Noted.

6. Ironwood Gardens – invitation to Grand Opening.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

251/20 **WHEREAS** an invitation has been received to attend the Grand Opening of Ironwood Gardens in Pinawa, Manitoba, on September 3, 2020;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Reeve Amerongen and Deputy Reeve Sikkenga be hereby authorized to attend same;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** they be reimbursed as per municipal policies.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

7. Manitoba Hydro re: New portage at Slave Falls for Spring 2021 information and on-line survey.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

252/20 **WHEREAS** Manitoba Hydro has requested participation in their on-line survey regarding a new portage at Slave Falls;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration be hereby directed to complete same.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**



8. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority – upcoming retirement from Chief Executive Officer Ron Van Denakker. Discussed. A card will be sent.
9. Riverbend Manor Residents – invitation for Reeve to attend event at Riverbend Manor.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

253/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received for Reeve Amerongen to attend a BBQ on behalf of the seniors at Riverbend Manor on September 19, 2020;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** he be hereby authorized to attend same;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** he be reimbursed as per municipal policies.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

10. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority – additional request for the Bike Drive held.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

254/20 **WHEREAS** a successful Bike Drive was held in the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;

**AND WHEREAS** there are bikes left to be provided to Rec Opportunities for Children in Steinbach;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works personnel be hereby authorized to deliver same, while there to pick up parts.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Administration noted that a request to be a pick-up depot for an Activity Kit Program that is running was denied due to COVID.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1. Fire Guard/Bog – Update and request for direction as no response received from Conservation and Climate. Administration was directed to provide this information to MLA Ewasko.
2. Lagoon – Response from Manitoba Water Services Board to funding request. Administration was directed to review information in regards to our lagoons capacities and respond back to Council.

By-Law No. 707/20 agreement for the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet to accept the dumping of our sewage.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

255/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 707/20 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet regarding use of their lagoon, be hereby given first reading.

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

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Honke

256/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 707/20 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet regarding use of their lagoon, be hereby given <sup>second</sup> first reading.

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

3. Document Storage – Recommendation is from Munisoft, tabled for reproductive costs for large documents.

4. Manitoba Health/Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: sprinkler system. Update

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

257/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 708/20 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority

for a reservoir to be placed on Rural Municipality of Whitemouth lands,  
be hereby given first reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

258/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 708/20 being a by-law to enter  
into an agreement with the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority  
for a reservoir to be placed on Rural Municipality of Whitemouth lands,  
be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

5. 200 Acres – Councillor Malkoske advised he had spoken with MLA Ewasko,  
initiated a review of the documentation available and will  
complete same and provide an overview upon completion.

#### **New Business:**

1. Sidewalk Tenders

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

259/20 **WHEREAS** tenders have been requested, received and evaluated for  
sidewalk works in the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Rally Construction  
be hereby awarded this tender in the amount of \$20,000.00,  
which includes taxes for 510 feet of sidewalk as per our sidewalk  
policy that is four feet wide.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

2. Pandemic resolution update. Discussed.

3. Economic Development Initiative – referred to In Camera discussions.

4. Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Authority re: wedding in Seven Sisters.  
Council confirmed that all Province of Manitoba Laws, Regulations, and  
protocols are followed in regards to the current pandemic.

5. Royal Canadian Legion Lac du Bonnet Branch 164 – invitation for Reeve  
Amerongen to their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

260/20 **WHEREAS** the Royal Canadian Legion Lac du Bonnet Branch 164 has  
invited Reeve Amerongen to their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on September 26,  
2020;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** he be authorized to  
attend same;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** he be reimbursed as per  
municipal policies.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

6. Notice of Motion to rescind Resolution No. 112/20 regarding COVID. Tabled.

#### **In Camera:**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

261/20 **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: Negotiating

**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 Malkoske and seconded by Honke

262/20 **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 that should an offer to purchase be received that it is forwarded to the Municipal Solicitor to conduct due diligence and circulated to Council.

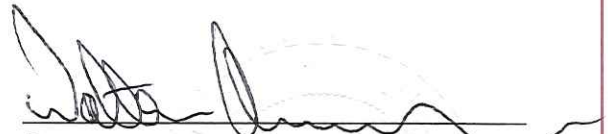

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

263/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

For: All Against: None

**CARRIED**

  
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Reeve  
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Chief Administrative Officer