

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on October 8, 2019, at 6:00 pm, 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 6:00 p.m.

### **Adoption of Agenda:**

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

288/19 **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 Amerongen and seconded by Sikkenga

289/19 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 24, 2019, 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 Sikkenga

290/19 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheques No. 21734 to 21763 and Electronic Payments EFT 2407 to 2431

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$47,312.81.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

291/19 **WHEREAS** the following item has been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Payment EFT 2432 & 2433

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payment be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,125.41.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 291/19 Reeve Amerongen and Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. They vacated their chairs and did not return until the resolution was completed.

### **Reports of Committees:**

- Eastern Regional Municipal Lobby Committee, information and minutes;
- Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation, minutes;
- Clinical Teaching Unit Task Force minutes;
- Whitemouth Fire Department Officers meeting minutes; and
- Community Futures Winnipeg River minutes.

Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Bachman on the Whitemouth Library, All Net Solutions meeting regarding our Website, and the Whitemouth Health Care Foundation/Auxillary; Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on the Whitemouth Child Care Centre Committee and the Whitemouth River Recreation Commission Inc.; Councillor Honke on Public Works complete with their recommendation on Drainage works, Resolution; and Councillor Malkoske on Community Futures Winnipeg River.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

292/19 **WHEREAS** requests for certain drainage works have been tendered and responses received and reviewed;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** works are hereby approved as follows:

- Evergreen Road to be completed by Twin Eagle Contracting at a cost not to exceed \$997.50 plus applicable taxes;
- Homestead Road to be completed by Blaney Contracting at a cost not to exceed \$2,665.00 plus applicable taxes;
- Silver Bridge Road to be completed by Nickel Ventures at a cost not to exceed \$800.00 plus applicable taxes; and
- Waterline Road to be completed by Blaney Contracting at a cost not to exceed \$1,250.00 plus applicable taxes;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution is contingent upon Provincial approval from Dan Roberts, Water Resource Officer.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

**Public Works:** Minutes of October 8, 2019 & PWS Report. Noted.

**Delegation:**

6:30 p.m. Boreal Shores Art Tour, representative Janis Charko – to report on their 2019 tour results and discuss their 2020 tour. She requested a grant from Council for their 2020 Tour. Referred to 2020 Budget discussions.

**Communications:**

1. Whitemouth Municipal Museum Society – thank you. Noted.
2. Manitoba Infrastructure re: New Transportation Infrastructure Act for the fee structure information. Referred to Public Works for their information.
3. Manitoba Hydro re: High Water Warning. Reeve Amerongen noted that he was requested by CTV News to do an interview on this issue outside our Administration Office this afternoon which he provided.
4. Paul Steiner – request for culvert and approach to be re-installed. Discussed. Tabled for Public Works recommendation.

Prior to discussion on this request both Deputy Reeve Sikkenga and Councillor Malkoske requested permission to be excused from all discussions. They vacated their chairs and did not return until the discussion was completed.

5. Community Futures re: Certificate Program. It was noted that no one has been or will be enrolled in this program. We will continue to utilize their free services.
  6. Graydon Murray – request for reimbursement.
- Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen



293/19 **WHEREAS** a request for utility connection fee reimbursement has been received from Graydon Murray, current owner of 63048 PR 307 (Roll Number 177100);  
**AND WHEREAS** Administration has completed research on this request;  
**AND WHEREAS** it has been determined that this particular property was not included in the Seven Sisters Local Improvement By-Law No. 510/08 so no duplicate payment has been made;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Mr. Murray's request is hereby denied.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

7. Municipal Asset Management – Workshop Follow Up. Administration was directed to coordinate a meeting for the first week in March 2020.

8. Green Inspirations Landscaping – request for transfer of snow contract. Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

294/19 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Green Inspirations Landscaping in regards to his snow removal contract ending December 31, 2021;

**AND WHEREAS** Mr. Kurian is contemplating sale of the snow clearing portion of his business to another local contractor;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth does hereby approve this request.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1. Sandy Lane – awaiting levels.

2. Handivan – Policy.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

295/19 **WHEREAS** it is deemed to be in the best interests of the ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to update their Handi-Van Policy;

**AND WHEREAS** this Handi-Van Policy has been reviewed by Council;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Handi-Van Policy as identified as Policy H 1 be hereby adopted as circulated.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. Culvert – By-Law No. 695/19 First and Second Readings.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

296/19 **WHEREAS** By-Law 695/19 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth respecting culverts and approaches to private property off of municipal roads within the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth has been reviewed by Council;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 695/19 be hereby given first reading.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Honke and seconded by Bachman

297/19 **WHEREAS** By-Law 695/19 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth respecting culverts and approaches to private property off of municipal roads within the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth has been reviewed by Council;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 695/19 be hereby given second reading.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

4. Whitemouth Community Centre re: Fire Lane. Dale Smerechynski provided additional comment opposing same.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

298/19 **WHEREAS** discussions have been held in regards to the dimensions

of the Fire Lane being erected at the Whitemouth Recreation Centre;  
**AND WHEREAS** Fire Chief Thomson has advised that 18 feet  
between the fire lane poles/stations is sufficient;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this fire lane be hereby  
authorized as per the Fire Chief's recommendation.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

5. Dumping of Debris – referred to In Camera
6. Reynolds and Whitemouth District Chamber of Commerce – response to Council inquiries and Spring meeting. Discussed. Administration was directed to advise that Council will not be participating in their proposed Spring meeting.
7. Municipal Owned Properties ie. Community Centres. Discussed.
8. Newsletter – request for direction. Council agreed to continue on with the bi-monthly newsletter rather than a half page advertisement.
9. Allan Besel – Status of Noel Road. Referred to Public Works.
10. Manitoba Hydro re: Work to the Trans Canada Trail response. It was noted that the trail will not be open on weekends as requested.
11. Seven Sisters Water Co-op re: connection inquiry. Any connection done at the time of the project was paid for up to the dwelling/home. Any connection done thereafter the connection is only to the property line. It was noted that this is the same method for Neva Falls Water Coop and the Elma project.

#### **New Business:**

1. Committee Appointment Review – Members to contact the Reeve if they would like to change any appointments. In addition both our Organizational and Procedural By-law are to be reviewed for our next meeting.
2. Strategic Plan – quarterly review. Discussed. Council agreed to hold a special meeting in January 2020.
3. Councillor Malkoske – Community Futures Workshop.  
Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke  
299/19 **WHEREAS** Community Futures Winnipeg River will be hosting a workshop in Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, on October 16, 2019;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Councillor Glenn Malkoske be hereby authorized to attend same;  
**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** he be reimbursed as per municipal policies.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

4. Rivers Edge Resort Inc. – application for Commercial Incentive Program.  
Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman  
300/19 **WHEREAS** Council has implemented By-Law No. 620/14 to provide for new Commercial/Industrial/Agricultural Development and set policy guidelines regarding same;  
**AND WHEREAS** an application has been received from Rivers Edge Resort (Joy and Scott Sutyla) property owner of Roll No. 49200;  
**AND WHEREAS** the requirements of by-law 620/14 have been met;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** approval is hereby given to cover their municipal taxes for 2019 and 2020.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**



5. Brandon Emergency Support Team re: conference.

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

301/19 **WHEREAS** Brandon Emergency Support Team is hosting a workshop on developing exercises on November 14, 2019, in Brandon, Manitoba;

**AND WHEREAS** Whitemouth Emergency Response Team members Cathy Dowbyhuz and Kim Knopf have agreed to attend same;

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

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

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

6. CP Holiday Train – Monday, December 2, 2019. Noted.

7. Whitemouth & District Lions Club – requests re: CP Holiday Train.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

302/19 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Whitemouth and District Lions Club in regards to the annual CP Holiday Train Event;

**AND WHEREAS** the requests are as follows:

- Snow on site pushed into snowbanks along the west and east sides of the lot the morning before the train event and if there is a shortage of snow that the municipality will haul from another location (while a Lion's representative is on site to ensure it is placed where they require);
- Barricades;
- 2 port o potties; and
- candlestick plastic markers;
- have the Hydro Pole turned on for the outlets required for the event;
- Railway Avenue traffic be one way (west to east) commencing at approximately 5:00 p.m.; and
- Elevator Road be closed from Main Street West to the Co-op Fuel pumps to allow sale of fuel;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** these above-noted requests are hereby approved.

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

8. Napier Emergency Consulting – Media Training on November 6, 2019.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

303/19 **WHEREAS** Napier Consulting will be hosting a Media Training Workshop for Council Session on November 6, 2019, in the Rural Municipality of St. Clements, in East Selkirk, Manitoba;

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

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

For: All      Against: None

**CARRIED**

9. CP Full Scale Mock Disaster – invitation to Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

304/19 **WHEREAS** CP has invited Reeve Amerongen to attend a full scale mock disaster which they are holding in their Winnipeg, Manitoba Yard, on October 24, 2019;

**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 – Confirmation that Dr. Sharma will be resuming work at our Whitemouth Clinic as of October 23, 2019, on Mondays and Tuesdays.

11. Regional Drinking Water Officer Wotton re: Diesel Spill on October 7, 2019 & Update provided by Reeve Amerongen.
12. Manitoba Municipal Relations – AMM Convention re: Minister's Meetings. Administration was directed to request a meeting with Minister Stefanson regarding Child Care initiatives in Whitemouth.

**In Camera:**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

305/19 **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: Legal/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 Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

306/19 **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**

An insurance claim was discussed by Council. Reeve Amerongen and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson were directed to attend to the legal proceedings as required by each of the solicitors.

Discussion was held on hourly rates of pay. Administration was directed to research and provide an overview to Council at the next regular meeting of Council.

An update on the debris hauling was held after Councillor Bachman left the Council Chambers as she requested permission to be excused from all discussions. She left her chair and did not return.

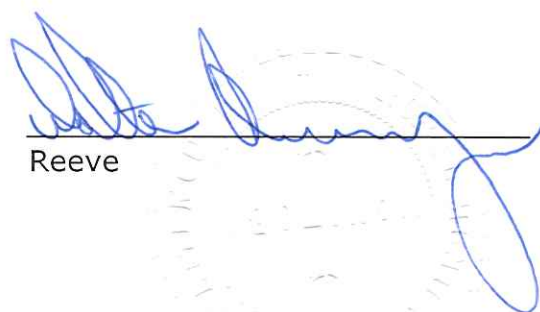
**Adjournment:**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

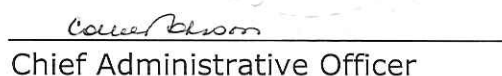
307/19 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

For: All Against: None

**CARRIED**



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer