

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 24, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He then spoke on the current pandemic situation being **Coronavirus/COVID-19**. Reeve Amerongen thanked Council and Staff for their dedication and proactiveness on this issue. Dr. Papetti shared information with Council regarding COVID-19 and indicated her concern regarding businesses being opened. It was noted that all municipal employees have been spoken with and have advised that they have no concern at this time and that they have all implemented social distancing.

### Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

114/20 **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 Honke and seconded by Amerongen

115/20 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 10, 2020, and of the Emergency Meeting held on March 15, 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 Honke and seconded by Bachman

116/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22087 to 22108

Electronic Payments EFT 2791 to 2815

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$61,726.32.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

117/20 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Electronic Fund Transfer 2816 & 2817

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,196.04.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 117/20 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.

2. Financial Statements –

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

118/20 **WHEREAS** the financial statements ending February 29, 2020, have been circulated to Council for their review;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** these statements be adopted as circulated.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. By-Law No. 701/20 Re: 2020 Financial Plan/Budget.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

119/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 701/20 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to set the rates for the 2020 Financial Plan/Budget be hereby given first reading with a .3 mill increase.

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

**Reports of Committees:**

- Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility – minutes; and
- Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc. re: Annual General Meeting minutes.

Verbal reports were provided by Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on the Two Rivers Service to Seniors, Whitemouth Childcare Centre Committee, and Whitemouth Reynolds Waste Management Facility; Reeve Amerongen on the Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc.; Councillor Malkoske on the Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc. and Public Works; and Councillor Honke on Public Works.

**Public Works:** Update of March 24, 2020

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

120/20 **WHEREAS** it is deemed appropriate that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth establishes time periods for the Seven Sisters Falls Brush site;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Seven Sisters Falls Brush site be opened for a four hour period on the first and third Saturdays of the month for the period from May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

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

**Delegations:** Due to COVID-19 delegations will be rescheduled.

6:30 p.m. Andrea McLean re: Conservation/Watershed Program - Postponed

7:00 p.m. S/Sgt. Meyers re: Annual Performance Report – Postponed

**Communications:**

1. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Whitemouth Lagoon inquiry.

2. Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District re: request for partial 2020 levy.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

121/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that payment of one-half of the 2020 Levy for the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District in the amount of \$3,500.00 be hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. Eastman Tourism re: Community Tourism Planning (2 day course). Noted.

4. Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet re: Recreation Director, shared service. Council agreed they would be receptive sharing 50/50 a Recreation Director's services. Council offered to do the payroll through the Rural Municipality of



Whitemouth.

5. Community Planner re: Subdivision Application 4203-20-7496 Lot 1 of Plan 42218

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Amerongen

122/20 **WHEREAS** an application of subdivision has been received from Municipal Relations Community Planning Branch regarding Proposal to Subdivide Lot 1 of Plan 42218 in the NW ¼ 19-11-12 E and SW ¼ OF 30-11-12 EPM;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves same with the following conditions:

- 1) **THAT** a Development Agreement is entered into with the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth requiring that mitigation measures be taken (as necessary) to address concerns identified in the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA), the protection of the riparian area, connection to public services and any other public works deems necessary by Council;
- 2) **THAT** the lots be reconfigured, excluding the proposed driveway (which must be built to our Municipal Standards, solely at the Developer's expense), to be the required minimum two acre parcels to ensure compliance with the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth Zoning By-Law and Development Plan; and
- 3) **THAT** a Declaration of Right of Way be obtained for the proposed shared driveway.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

6. Elma Community Club re: snow removal – Public Works Supervisor Tolpa to respond with road category and what service is provided with same.

7. Federation of Canadian Municipalities re: nominations open for their Board of Directors. Noted.

8. Bell MTS re: Broadband Services – request for support.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

123/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from BellMTS to support their initiative to secure funding from the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunication Commission (CRTC);

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth fully supports BellMTS' application for funding to deliver much needed inclusive access to high speed internet services.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

9. Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet re: Recreation Services. See No. 4 above.

10. Seven Sisters Falls Wildlife Association – invitation for Reeve to attend their Annual Family Day.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

124/20 **WHEREAS** an invitation has been received from the Seven Sisters Falls Wildlife Association for Reeve Amerongen to attend their Annual Family Day on May 9, 2020, in Seven Sisters Falls, Manitoba;

**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**

11. North Eastman Community Health Committee re: agenda for March 16, 2020 (postponed). Noted.

12. Natural Resources Canada re: dynamite magazine inquiry as to location. Referred to Administration for additional information.
13. S/Sgt. Meyers re: COVID-19 impacts to Policing Services. Noted.
14. Arleen and Harry Pluchinski re: concern of smoke from burning piles. Administration was directed to advise that upon contacting Sustainable Development that the landowner burning has the authority to do so until April 1, 2020, as there was only minimal peat moss. Discussed. Referred to our Fire Management Committee to draft a Burning By-Law.

Prior to any discussion on Communications No. 14 Deputy Reeve Sikkenga requested permission to be excused from all discussions. She vacated her chair and did not return until the resolution was completed.

15. Martin Saxler re: Clearing of Snow in the business area of Seven Sisters Falls. Mr. Saxler advised that he contacted MLA Ewasko and the task was promptly completed. Administration was directed to thank Mr. Ewasko for his time and to request that this service is provided annually.
16. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: March news bulletin. Noted.
17. Province of Manitoba re: notice that the Province of Manitoba is in a State of Emergency to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Noted.
18. Manitoba Infrastructure re: copy of approved application for proposed telecommunication Tower Guyed Wire in SW ¼ of 29-13-11E. Noted.
19. Manitoba Association of Municipal Emergency Coordinators re: Pandemic, Conference and Membership information. Noted.
20. Fire Department Practices – Administration to direct that only essential emergency services are provided during the pandemic period which excludes training.

### Unfinished Business:

1. Dumping of Debris – Tabled.
  2. Municipal Emergency Coordinator re: Memorandum of Understandings Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Bachman
- 125/20 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Municipal Emergency Coordinator to approve her communication to be sent out to the municipalities and agencies involved dated March 5, 2020, which reaffirms earlier commitments from previous Municipal Emergency Coordinators regarding Memorandum of Understandings;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this request is hereby approved.

**CARRIED**

3. Waste Management By-Law 668/17 – Second Reading and information on the draft agreement from the Rural Municipality of Reynolds. Referred to in-camera.
4. Update on 200 acres – Confirmed that Manitoba Hydro is the registered owner and that a Certificate of Title Search has confirmed that there are no caveats on these parcels of land. Additional research to be completed as time permits and a timeline of events will be done by Councillor Malkoske.
5. CDC – outcome of Annual General Meeting. Status Quo, new Board elected.



### New Business:

1. By-Law No. 700/20 re: By-Law Enforcement Services

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

126/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 700/20 being a by-law to appoint a By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 700/20 be hereby given first reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

127/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 700/20 being a by-law to appoint a By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 700/20 be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

2. Audit Tenders for 2021, 2022, and 2023

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

128/20 **WHEREAS** tenders have been requested, received and reviewed for providing audit services for years ending 2021, 2022 and 2023;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the proposal from BDO Canada LLP dated March 23, 2020, be hereby accepted by Council.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. Handivan Driver – It was noted that no applications were received.

4. Road Registration Information – Completion of the current works in process, no additional works to be initiated. Administration to advise the solicitor accordingly.

5. Council Decision Making – Discussed. The consensus of Council was that telephone calls not be utilized and that emails are appropriate only if the issue cannot wait until a Council meeting.

### Notice of Motion:

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

129/20 **WHEREAS** Notice of Motion to rescind Resolution No. 49/20 regarding naming of a roadway which may be similar to another Road was received at a regular meeting of Council held on March 10, 2020;  
**AND WHEREAS** said name may create confusion for Emergency Vehicle Drivers to have a similar name;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Resolution No. 49/20 be and is hereby rescinded.

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

### Naming of Road:

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

130/20 **WHEREAS** a name is required for the road located in the Commercial Area in the community of Seven Sisters Falls located in SE of Section 27, Township 13, Range 11 East of the Principal Meridian in Manitoba;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this road be hereby named "Natalie Lake Drive".

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

**In Camera:**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

131/20 **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: Negotiations

**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

132/20 **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**

Information from Unfinished Business No. 3

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

133/20 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 668/17 being a by-law for authority to enter into an agreement with the Rural Municipality of Reynolds and the Province of Manitoba (North Whiteshell) to provide waste management services;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 668/17 be hereby given second reading.

For: All Against: None

**CARRIED**

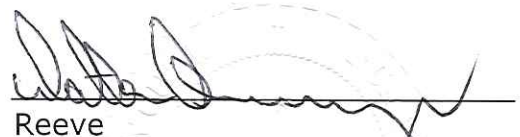
**Adjournment:**

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

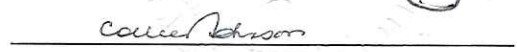
134/20 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

For: All Against: None

**CARRIED**



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer