

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 23, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

266/22 **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 Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

267/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of for August 9, 2022, have been submitted to Council for their review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT these minutes be adopted as presented.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

268/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 23608 to 23636

Electronic Payments EFT 6438 to 6458

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$287,421.50.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by McDougald

269/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 6507 and 6508;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payment be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,501.70.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 269/22, 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.

Public Works: August 22, 2022 Update. Councillors Honke and Malkoske provided an overview.

Utility: July 2022 Report. Noted.

Verbal Reports of Committees:

Councillors Malkoske and Sikkenga reported on the Fire Management Committee; and Councillor Sikkenga on the Childcare Committee.

Delegation:

3:00 p.m. Mr. Orvel Currie, Municipal Solicitor re: noise issue. Referred to In Camera discussion.

Communications:

1. Manitoba Hydro re: Pointe du Bois Project presentation, noting responses to Councils inquiries at the presentation will be forwarded shortly
2. Eastern Tourism re: 2022 Conference in Winnipeg, September 12 & 13, 2022
3. Whitemouth Fire Department – appointment of Deputy Fire Chief and Captains.

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

270/22 **WHEREAS** the Whitemouth Fire Fighters have held an election, by ballot to fill the Deputy Fire Chief position by Carlin Giesbrecht, and to fill the three Captain positions by Cliff Friesen, Marcel Toews, and Jeff Giesbrecht;

AND WHEREAS our Fire Fighters have made this recommendation to Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth does hereby accept all four recommendations.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

4. Wayne Klepatz – request for drainage approval in SW 28-13-11E. It was noted that Public Works has approved this request. Council directed Chief Administrative Officer Johnson to correspond with the Province to approve same, respectfully requesting that Mr. Klepatz also clean the small section of ditch along Brookfield Road from the drainage that is being cleaned to the culvert under the road.
5. Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization re: Disaster Financial Assistance presently for 17 sites.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

271/22 **WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth has realized response and repair costs for the 2022 Spring Flood Event;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government has announced a Disaster Financial Assistance program regarding this event;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth respectfully requests the Province to participate in this program as it has incurred expenses as a result of this event;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth, on behalf of their residents and property owners, also respectfully request the Province to participate in this program in the event residents and property owners have incurred financial costs related to this event.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

6. Silver Bridge re: ditching inquiry and request for gravel. Property owner to be requested to stop drainage works and that his request for gravel has been referred to Public Works.
7. Scott's Hill re: dam inquiry. Referred to Public Works.
8. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: nomination information for Executive Committee Election. Noted.

9. Seven Sisters Falls Community Club – request to waive culvert/approach application fee of \$150.00.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald

272/22 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from the Seven Sisters Falls Community Club to waive their culvert/approach application fee in the amount of \$150.00;

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

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

10. Municipal Assessment and Advisory Services re: Handbook available for Community Development Corporations: Guidance for Municipal Accountability. Administration was directed to make copies for our Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc..

Unfinished Business:

1. Manitoba Water Services Board re: lagoon land purchase.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske

273/22 **WHEREAS** Council directed on May 10, 2022, that the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer enter into a Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement with the Giesbrecht's;

AND WHEREAS Council believes it to be in the best interest of the Municipality to waive the conditions in the Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement and proceed immediately with close on the Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement transaction;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth proceed with the legal transaction as detailed in the Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth hereby authorizes the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to execute all necessary documents to conclude the Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth hereby authorize administration for the Municipality to release and pay all required funds to conclude the Land Swap/Offer to Purchase Agreement.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

2. Donald and Ronald Pommer re: request for Agreement.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

274/22 **WHEREAS** owners of both Roll Numbers 189920 and 189930 being Ronald and Donald Pommer have requested to enter into an Agreements with the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;

AND WHEREAS this Agreements are soley for these ratepayers, whose family has consistently been the land owners of these properties for over a century;

AND WHEREAS Council approved this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby direct the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign this Agreement.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

3. By-Law No. 737/22 re: Draft Indemnity By-Law. Tabled.

4. By-Law No. 736/22 re: Fire Chief By-Law, second and third readings.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

276/22 **WHEREAS** the Fire Chief position has recently become vacant;

AND WHEREAS Fire Fighter Personnel have recommended that there current Deputy Fire Chief Ron Toews be offered the position;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 736/22 appointing a Fire Chief, be hereby given second reading.

CARRIED

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 736/22 appointing a Fire Chief, be hereby given third and final reading.

CARRIED

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Adjournment:

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald
282/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this
meeting does hereby adjourn at 4:54 p.m.

For: All Against: None **CARRIED**

Original signed in office

Reeve

Original signed in office

Chief Administrative Officer