

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 13, 2021, 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 Honke, Malkoske and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

159/21 **WHEREAS** the agenda for this regular meeting has been reviewed by Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda shall be adopted as presented.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Reading and Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

160/21 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting on June 22, 2021, and of the special meeting held on June 23, 2021, have been submitted to Council for their review;

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

For: Amerongen, Honke & Sikkenga

Abstained: Malkoske

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

161/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 22876 to 22915, Electronic Payments EFT 3793 to 3827;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$338,434.23.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

162/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Funds Transfer 3828;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payment be approved for an amount not to exceed \$969.27.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 162/21 Councillor Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Moved by

163/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Funds Transfer 3829;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payment be approved for an amount not to exceed \$1,411.98.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 163/21 Reeve Amerongen requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

2. Financial Statements

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

163/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the financial statements ending June 30, 2021, are hereby adopted as circulated to Council.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Public Works: Update of July 6, 2021.

By-Law Enforcement Report: June 2021.

Reports of Committees:

- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee re: minutes of May 17, 2021.

Verbal reports were provided by Councillor Honke on the Public Works Committee and Eastman Tourism; Deputy Reeve Sikkenga on the Clinical Teaching Unit; and Reeve Amerongen on an upcoming North Eastman Health Committee meeting.

Communications:

1. Sylvia Lean – resignation as Office Custodian.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

165/21 **WHEREAS** Sylvia Lean has resigned as the Municipal Custodian of our Administration Building effective June 30, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT her resignation be accepted as presented.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

2. CN re: Rail Safety Week – request for proclamation. Noted.
3. Westman Women's Shelter re: posters & free webinars. To be placed on our website.
4. CN re: 95 Million invested in its rail infrastructure and equipment this year. Noted.
5. Assistant Deputy Minister Spry re: Federal Gas Tax Accelerated payment. Noted.
6. BellMTS re: press release launching Wireless Home Internet, noting that Whitemouth is eligible. Noted.
7. Taxervice re: request for tax sale direction.
Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske
166/21 **WHEREAS** Taxervice is requesting direction on the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth 2021 Tax Sale Process;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT they be directed that Council does hereby, as per Section 372 of The Municipal Act, set a reserve bid on all tax sale properties in the amount of the tax arrears and costs;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Chief Administrative Officer Johnson is the appointed Designated Officer to bid on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.
For: All
Against: None
CARRIED
8. Lac du Bonnet Planning District re: amended notice to hearing information. Noted.
9. Royal Canadian Legion re: Military Service Recognition Book Ad request. Noted.
10. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Canada Community Revitalization Fund. Noted.
11. Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba re: 2020 Annual Report. Noted.
12. BDO Canada LLP re: Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District Annual 2020 Audited Statements. Noted.

13. BDO Canada LLP re: Whitemouth-Reynolds-North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility Annual 2020 Audited Statements. Noted.
14. Fisheries and Oceans re: Carmine Shiner Interpretive Signage, location. Council recommended 4 locations being at each of our 3 canoe launches, and 1 at the entrance to the Park.
15. Brokenhead River Planning District re: public hearing notice. Noted.
16. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Eastern Directors Update. Noted.
17. Municipal Relations re: Bill 25 The Municipal Statutes Amendment Act passed. Noted.
18. Building Sustainable Community Grant to support pandemic recovery. Noted.
19. Climate & Conservation Fund closes July 22, 2021. Noted.
20. Municipal Relations re: Bill 53, The Municipal Statutes Amendment Act (2) is now in force. Noted.
21. Murray Barkman – update on condo completion.
Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke
170/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Mr. Murray Barkman's request to remove debris from his development on Henderson Avenue be extended by one week to July 22, 2021.
For: Amerongen, Honke & Sikkenga Against: Malkoske **CARRIED**

Unfinished Business:

1. Rural Municipality of Reynolds re: Fire Agreement By-Law No. 721/21. Tabled.
Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske
171/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 721/21 being a by-law to enter into an agreement to provide fire services to portions of the Rural Municipality of Reynolds be hereby given first reading.
For: All Against: None **CARRIED**
- 172/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 721/21 being a by-law to enter into an agreement to provide fire services to portions of the Rural Municipality of Reynolds be hereby given second reading.
For: All Against: None **CARRIED**
2. NorthStar Communications Inc. – agreement received for Council review. Council provided input on the agreement to be shared with our solicitor to be reviewed. Tabled.
3. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Lagoon. Tabled.
4. A.S.M. Mining Corp – request to lease municipally owned properties. To be brought back onto the Agenda once the current ASM Proposal has been completed.
5. Community Planning Branch re: Subdivision File No. 4203-18-7428 in Pt NW 33-13-11EPM Sturgeon Bay Resort. Administration was directed to draft a resolution for consideration at our next regular meeting. Tabled.
6. Employment and Social Development Canada re: Enabling Accessibility Fund, request Council direction on project to apply for funding.
Moved by Honke and seconded by Malkoske
171/21 **WHEREAS** the Enabling Accessibility Fund is now accepting applications;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration be directed

to apply for sidewalks in the vicinity of the Health Centre.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

7. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: convention resolution regarding Manitoba Hydro. Administration will have a draft prepared for our next regular meeting. Tabled.

8. Administration Building Update from Building Inspector Ruta. Tabled.

New Business:

1. Administration Building Open/Close re: pandemic. Council directed to presently stay status quo, door locked with all clients being addressed.

2. By-Law No. 720/21 re: amendment to zoning by-law.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

172/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 720/21 being a by-law to amend our Zoning By-Law be hereby given first reading.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

3. Lori Bachman re: resignation as Councillor

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

173/21 **WHEREAS** due to a health issue, Lori Bachman has submitted her resignation as a Councillor for the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth effective immediately;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration be hereby directed to contact Senior Election Official Ruta to initiate Bi-Election proceedings, to be held as soon as reasonably possible.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

174/21 **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 item: 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

175/21 **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 to send 2 municipal designates when addressing any files that may not be safe to address with 1 representative.

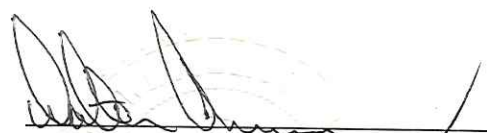
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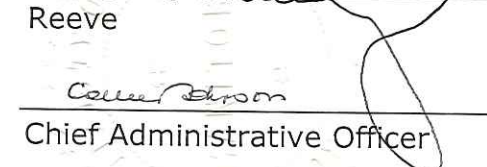
Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

176/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer