

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 11, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

Present: Reeve Amerongen, Deputy Reeve Honke, Councillors McDougald, Staerk, Stead and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Reading and Confirming of Agenda and Minutes:

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

200/23 **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

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

201/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes of their regular meeting held on June 28, 2023, 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 McDougald and seconded by Stead

202/23 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 24222 to 24256

Electronic Payments EFT 7199 to 7221

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$288,694.95.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

203/23 **WHEREAS** the following items has been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 7222 & 7223

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,594.88.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 203/23, Reeve Amerongen and Deputy Reeve Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. They left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

204/23 **WHEREAS** the following items has been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 7224 to 7239

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$5,099.56.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 204/23, Councillor Stead requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

205/23 **WHEREAS** the following items has been submitted for approval of payment for the Childcare Pilot Project:

Cheque Numbers 14 & 15

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved, as per progress payment 7 information approved by JQ Built, for an amount not to exceed \$949,151.88.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Verbal Reports of Committees:

It was noted that the Annual General Meeting for the Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation Inc. is tomorrow at 7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing:

1:30 p.m. A public hearing was advertised and held to amend Zoning By-Law No. 706/20, as amended, to re-zone 12 lots in the Whitemouth Industrial Park from "RCI" Rural Commercial/Industrial Zone to "RG" Residential General Zone. Regional Planning responded that there were no concerns through their circulation to Provincial Agencies. Two representations were received one opposition and one shared statements not being in opposition nor in favour. All information received verbally will be reviewed by Council. Tabled.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

209/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular order of business of Council be temporarily suspended to open a public hearing to consider an amendment to our Zoning By-Law 706/20, as amended, by By-Law No. 745/23.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

210/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the business of the public hearing is now completed and the Public Hearing closed;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council now return to their regular order of business.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Communications:

1. Province of Manitoba re: \$260 Million in School Capital Projects. Noted.
2. Community Wellness Coordinator re: Manitoba Priorities Panel on Primary Care. Administration was directed to place on our website.
3. Province of Manitoba re: Quarry Rehabilitation Program. Noted.
4. Minister of Environment and Climate re: Low Carbon Economy Fund. Noted.
5. Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba re: 2022 Annual Report. Noted.
6. Department of Municipal Relations re: Asset Retirement Obligations Accounting Standards. Noted.
7. Dueck's Mechanical Inc. re: offer to purchase with condition. Tabled to In Camera, see below.
8. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Treaty Land Entitlement and Airbnb webinars available. Council requested Administration to attend the Airbnb webinar. See below, Unfinished Business No. 9.
9. Canadian Nuclear Laboratories re: AECL end state plan. Tabled.
10. Bell Mobility – quarterly communication. Noted.
11. Valley Fiber – request Council input on lands available (70' x 70'). Tabled.

12. Lac du Bonnet & District Chamber of Commerce re: request for \$150.00 for the Winnipeg River Burger Trail event.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

206/23 **WHEREAS** the Lac du Bonnet & District Chamber of Commerce has requested a donation of up to \$150.00 towards their Winnipeg River Burger Trail Event;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this request is hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

13. Laura Jackson re: fence height infraction inquiry to Council – additional information provided to Council. Council directed that Ms. Jackson be advised that she may apply for a variation, which may or may not be granted.

14. Lac du Bonnet Community Development Corporation re: invitations to FERPA Presentation. Noted.

15. Centennial Coins from 2005 Inquiry – Council directed that these coins be provided to the Whitemouth Municipal Museum Society Inc. to distribute as they deem fit.

Unfinished Business:

1. Lagoon – Administration advised Public Works, Utility and Administration will be attending an update meeting with Manitoba Water Services Board. Tabled.

2. Whitemouth Childcare Pilot Project – update and inquiries sent. Working Committee meeting tomorrow. Tabled.

3. Twin Rivers Church re: request to connect to municipal water. Draft information for ratepayers provided to Council for direction on scope of works to be completed. Council directed that Administration provide information on Map 3 the full loop including the East side. Tabled.

4. Fire Department By-Law No. 746/23 Amendment to number of fire fighters and water rescue.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Staerk

207/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 746/23, being a by-law to amend the number of fire fighters and enable water rescue abilities in By-law No. 703/20 being our by-law to establish a Fire Department be hereby be given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

208/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 746/23, being a by-law to amend the number of fire fighters and enable water rescue abilities in By-law No. 703/20 being our by-law to establish a Fire Department be hereby be given third and final reading.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

5. Provincial Offences By-Law No. 748/23 – Tabled.

6. Riverbend Manor Update – response from Deputy Minister of Families and Responsible for Manitoba Housing that upgrades are scheduled for Capital Renovations in 2024/25.

7. Stop Work Order – no information received, update request sent, surveyor certificate received today and forwarded to Building Inspector Ruta. Tabled.

8. Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation - request for Council to review Paddle Map completed. Jennifer Jenkins-Scott re: Paddle map inquiry, to be referred to the Whitemouth River Valley Community Development Corporation for their consideration.

9. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Treaty Land Entitlement and Airbnb webinars. Council requested Administration to attend the Airbnb webinar.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Staerk

211/23 **WHEREAS** the Association of Manitoba Municipalities is providing a webinar regarding Airbnb's on July 12, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor McDougald is hereby authorized to attend same;

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT he be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

10. Senior Utility Operator Campbell re: Lead Program information. Noted.

New Business:

1. Zoning By-Law re: fence height. Council directed Administration to prepare a by-law amendment from a height restriction of 6 feet up to 6 feet 6 inches for Council's consideration. Tabled.

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

212/23 **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: 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 Steark

213/23 **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 advise Dueck's Mechanical Inc. that the sale of lands will not be with conditions, but that all sales will be consistent with other municipal sales done for 2023 in the Whitemouth Industrial Park.

Adjournment:


Moved by Staerk and seconded by McDougald


214/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:41 p.m.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer