RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 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

Also Present: Recording Secretary Marion

Reeve Amerongen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

1/19 **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 Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

2/19 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 19, 2018, and of the special meeting held on December 19, 2018, 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 Malkoske

3/19 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 21216 to 21251 and Electronic Payments EFT 1762 to 1805

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$324,120.93, of which \$176,975.61 is

school tax.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

4/19 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Electronic Payments EFT 1858 to 1861

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$4,268.26.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 4/19 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:

- Police Reports from December 19, 2018 to January 1, 2019

Delegations:

6:30 p.m. Mark Buss of The Clipper Newspaper attended to provide Council with a communication proposal for 2019. He was advised that a

news bulletin is being done bi-monthly for a six month period at which time Council will then re-evaluate what direction they will be proceeding with in regards to Advertising/Communications.

7:00 p.m. Dale Lyle of Way To Go Consulting attended via conference call to provide Council an update on their utility rate application and to discuss connection fees. Administration was directed to draft a separate by-law for connection fees. It was recommended to utilize the City of Brandon by-law recently approved by the Public Utilities Board as a guide. The draft will be sent to Mr. Lyle for his input.

Communications:

- 1. Provincial Planning Conference for 2019 The consensus was that the agenda will be reviewed once received and should attendees be sent it would be through our Planning District.
- 2. Development Officer Ruta request for direction on development permits for peat moss removal/burning. Administration was directed to meet with Mr. Ruta and do some on-line research in this regard in addition to inquire on the Manitoba Municipalities Administrators Association if other municipalities have policies or procedures in this regard. Tabled.
- 3. The Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act Director License for our Waste Management Facility. Noted.
- 4. Gary Tirschman request for RM Sanding Truck Rate. Administration was directed to recommend that Mr. Tirschman utilize the local provider/s of this service.
- 5. Manitoba Strategic Infrastructure Secretariat re: Gas Tax Refund amounts for 2019 to 2024. Noted.
- 6. Winnipeg Metropolitan Region tentative meeting regarding fibre optic. Council directed that Deputy Reeve Sikkenga secure a meeting date that fits into her schedule and to take an Administration staff member with her. She will report back to Council once the meeting has been held.
- 7. Penner Underground Ltd. re: Consultation Inquiry. Tabled.
- 8. Community and Regional Planning re: Public Reserve Roll Nos. 194500 and 194600. Tabled.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Bell MTS update that we are in BellMTS's plan. Administration was directed to request an update from Mr. Parkinson.
- 2. By-Law Officer/Building Inspector re: solicitor input on pools. The solicitor's opinion was received and distributed to Council regarding liability.

 Administration was directed to provide the legal opinion to Development Officer Ruta for his information and records.
- 3. Terry and Pauline Kuhn re: Sandy Lane Tabled.
- 4. Noise By-Law Administration was provided the penalty fees and directed to have the by-law prepared for the next regular meeting. Tabled.
- 5. Waterline Connection Policy as per delegation conference call a draft by-law will be prepared by Administration. Tabled.

- 6. Water Agreement with the RM of Lac du Bonnet Tabled for solicitors draft document. Tabled.
- 7. Joint Advertising for Large Community Events Discussion will be held at the Inter Agency meeting to be held on January 19, 2019. Tabled.

New Business:

- 1. Culvert Policy Administration was directed to see what the policy and/or procedure was utilized in 2010. Tabled.
- 2. Designate Tax Sale Year -

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

WHEREAS Section 365(2) of The Municipal Act provides that Council may in any year designate the immediately preceding year, or any earlier year, as the year for which properties, the taxes in respect of which are in arrears for the year, must be offered for sale by auction to recover the tax arrears and costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the

Designated Year for which properties in arrears be offered for sale by auction be 2018;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Section 363(1) of The Municipal Act, "costs" shall be the actual costs incurred for each parcel listed for the 2019 Tax Sale plus administration fees of \$50.00 as set forth in Manitoba Regulation 50/97.

For: All

Against: None

CARRIED

3. Dedication/Development Fees

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

WHEREAS it is deemed to be in the best interests of the ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to establish Development/Dedication Fees for newly created lots/units;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this fee be set at \$1,500.00 per newly created lot/unit.

For: Amerongen, Sikkenga, Honke & Malkoske Against: Bachman **CARRIED** Administration to complete the required documentation in this regard.

4. Municipal Office Attendance when closed in excess of 3 days.

Moved by Amerongen and seconded by Honke

7/19 **WHEREAS** it is deemed to be in the best interests of the ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth to have the Administration Office checked on when it is closed in excess of three days;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a member of Administration be hereby authorized to attend and check on the building as required during an office closure period.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

- 5. Public Works request for direction on part-time/casual employee. Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga
- 8/19 WHEREAS Public Works is still short staffed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT part-time/casual employee hired time be extended to April 1, 2019.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

- 6. News Bulletin update provided. Noted.
- 7. Alliance Engineering Service Inc. contractor for the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: new fire suppression system at the Whitemouth Health Centre. Administration was directed to coordinate a meeting for Reeve Amerongen and Senior Utility Operator Campbell regarding this initiative.

8. Community Futures – Projects & Proposals Workshop.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Amerongen

9/19 **WHEREAS** Community Futures is hosting a one day workshop on Projects & Proposals on January 22, 2019, in Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a member of the Child Care Committee and the Recreation Director 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 Director of Government Affairs re: request for meeting.

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Malkoske

10/19 **WHEREAS** CP's Director of Government Affairs Mike LoVecchio has requested a meeting with Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT he be invited to attend our January 22nd or February 12th, 2019 meeting of Council as a delegation.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

10. Request to hook on to municipal utilities. Referred to In Camera discussions.

In Camera:

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

11/19 **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 and 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 Malkoske and seconded by Honke

12/19 **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

Adjournment:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

13/19 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

For: All Against: None

CARRIED

Administration was directed to have tenders prepared for two utility connections.

Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer