#### **RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH**

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

This meeting was available by Conference Call.

**Present:** Reeve Amerongen, Deputy Reeve Sikkenga, Councillors Honke

McDougald and Malkoske (conference call), Chief Administrative

Officer Johnson, and Building Inspector Ruta

# **Adoption of Agenda:**

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

1/22 **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 Sikkenga and seconded by Malkoske

2/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on December 14, 2021, and of the Budget meeting held on December 15, 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 Malkoske

3/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of

payment: Cheque No. 23222 to 23266

Electronic Payments EFT 5070 to 6021

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$448,429.33, of which \$211,855.82 is school tax

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Malkoske

4/22 **WHEREAS** the following item has been submitted for approval of payment: Electronic Fund Transfers 6022 to 6025

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$4,768.33.

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 4/22, 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: Update of December 21, 2021

**Fire Department:** December '21 Report

By-Law Enforcement: December '21 Report

## **Reports of Committees:**

- Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District minutes of November 1, 2021; and
- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee minutes of November 15, 2021.

### **Conditional Use Hearing:**

6:30 p.m. Mathew Bowen request to locate a used dwelling into our municipality.

Registered participants shared information and made inquires.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

7/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular order of business of Council be temporarily suspended to open a public hearing to consider a Conditional Use Application for Roll No. 185814, being Conditional Use Application No. C 10/2022.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

8/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the business of the public hearing is now completed and is now closed that Council return to their regular order of business of the Council Meeting.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

9/22 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Mathew Bowen to allow for the locate of a used dwelling brought into our municipality;

AND WHEREAS the application No. is C 10/2022;

**AND WHEREAS** Mr. Bowen's property is located on Elizabeth Crescent, being Lot 7, of Block 1, of Plan 46229;

**AND WHEREAS** representatives were received;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this request be hereby approved on the condition that it is utilized within one year.

For: Amerongen, Sikkenga, Honke, McDougald Against: Malkoske CARRIED

#### **Communications:**

1. Community Planning re: Conditional approval for proposal to subdivide Pt. NE ¼ 35-11-11 EPM Wardrop/Halimage Farms. Noted.

Prior to any discussion on this Communications No. 1, Deputy Reeve Sikkenga requested permission to be excused from all discussions. She left and did not return to the meeting until the discussion was completed.

2. Interlake Eastern Health Foundation re: Legacy for Life – request to place a link on our website and place in our newsletter.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

5/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a tab/section be incorporated into our website for a "Local Non-Profit Directory" and that the Legacy for Life be approved to place a link on same.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 3. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: Healthy Together Now grant. Noted.
- 4. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: Suicide Prevention Community Agency grant funding. Noted.
- 5. Lion's Hamper Program Thank you. Noted.
- 6. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Reeve/CAO invitation to general insurance renewal update. Noted.
- 7. Enabling Accessibility Fund application for funding denied. Noted.
- 8. Sunrise School Division requests to put job advertisement on our website. The consensus of Council was to deny this request.

9. Manitoba Water and Wastewater Association re: convention. Moved by McDougald and seconded by Sikkenga

6/22 **WHEREAS** the 2022 Manitoba Water and Wastewater Association Conference and Trade Show will be held in Brandon, Manitoba, via on-line/virtually or in person;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** registration be purchased for Utility Operator Sean Fawley and that he attends via on-line/virtually; **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that he be reimbursed as per Municipal by-laws.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 10. Whitemouth & District Lions Club thank you. Noted.
- 11. Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba re: 2022 Funding. Information was shared with the Whitemouth-Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility.
- 12. Community Planning re: Conditional approval for proposal to subdivide Pt. SE ¼ 36-11-11 EPM Penner/Barkman. Noted.
- 13. Sunova Credit Union re: merger vote information. Each member to do individually.
- 14. Province requesting input on Provincial Park Improvement Priorities. Each member to respond on their own.
- 15. Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority re: Beausejour Hospital Bed Shortage in Beausejour. Inquiry & response to Reeve Amerongen. Noted.
- Office of Drinking Water public water system inspection (PCH Project).
   Noted.
- 17. Whitemouth Library re: postponed Annual General Meeting & Closure. Noted.
- 18. Springfield Taxpayer Rights Corp. re: CanWhite Sands Silica Processing Plant. Noted.
- 19. Manitoba Department of Families re: homelessness discussion paper. Noted.
- 20. Canada Post re: Elma post office closure Administration advised that Kris Hansen, Canada Post's representative advised that there are two options. The 2 options that they have left are setting up community mailboxes in Elma where customers have access to mail and parcels 24hrs a day, and they would setup a call for site for any parcels that didn't fit in Whitemouth as an example, or the other option would be to amalgamate with another Post Office.
  - Administration was directed to provide contact information to Canada Post on the new coffee shop in Elma, as a possible outlet. Tabled.

# **Unfinished Business:**

- 1. NorthStar Communications Inc. referred to Special meeting. Tabled.
- 2. Manitoba Water Services Board re: Land for Lagoon referred to Special meeting. Tabled.
- 3. Administration Building re: Building Report Building Inspector Ruta was directed to proceed with acquiring quotes to correct the sewer issue. He will provide updates once the information is received and reviewed. Other works will be discussed during Budget 2022 discussions.

4. Mathew Bowen – request to connect to municipal utilities.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

10/22 **WHEREAS** a request and deposit to hook onto our municipal water and sewer utility has been received from Mathew Bowen;

**AND WHEREAS** Mr. Bowen's property is located at Lot 7, Block 1, Plan 46229, being Roll No. 185814;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this request be hereby approved;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the appropriate fees be paid in full, to the municipality for the connection, prior to the installation by the contractor.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

- 5. Scott Telecom Services Ltd. internet with the Province of Manitoba going thru Whitemouth. Request for input has been forwarded to Public Works, and invitation to be a delegation. Scott Telecom Services has advised they are not quite prepared to present to Council and that they will get back to us.
- 6. Community Planning re: Subdivision Application in Pt. SE ¼ 36-11-11EPM (Neyedli/Demare/Barkman)

Moved by Malkoske and seconded by Sikkenga

11/22 **WHEREAS** a revised application for subdivision has been received from Neyedli/Demare/Barkman for Pt. Lots 17 & 18, Plan No. 1203;

**AND WHEREAS** information for this proposed subdivision has been received from the Community Planning Branch;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council does hereby deny this subdivision request.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

7. Manitoba Hydro – request to hook onto municipal utilities. Confirmation received from the Rural Municipality of Lac du Bonnet that this will run through our Water Agreement with them, and that they advised they will communicate with the Public Utilities Board for a sewer rate. Manitoba Hydro has now been advised accordingly.

# **New Business:**

- 1. Pandemic Protocol Update Administration office open by appointment only on January 3, 2022, and 30 Rapid Tests have been received. Tabled.
- 2. Policy for Recreation regarding insurances/school use request for direction. Council directed not to proceed.
- 3. Municipal Fire Inspector Administration advised that one applicant has been received that would require training. The Brokenhead River Planning District advised that they have a Fire Inspector and would be willing to look at renting him to us. Awaiting a proposal from them for Council to review. Tabled.
- 4. Strategic Planning Administration to circulate the present plan to Council.
- 5. Outstanding Utility accounts added to Taxes

Moved by Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

12/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the 2021 outstanding utility accounts be transferred to the Tax Roll in the amount of \$31,163.37 for 67 accounts.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

6. Account Authorization

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

13/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** our Desjardins Business Credit card be advised to remove Bill Dowbyhuz as a Director and add Walter Amerongen.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

7. Whitemouth Emergency Response Team – Appoint Members Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

14/22 **WHEREAS** two positions are vacant on the Whitemouth Emergency Response Team;

**AND WHEREAS** applications have been requested and reviewed; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Lynn Ducharme and Dean Ducharme are the successful applicants.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

#### In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Honke

15/22 **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 Honke and seconded by Sikkenga

16/22 **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

Moved by Honke and seconded by Amerongen

17/22 WHEREAS Bradley Schultz has requested an education leave of absence for a five-month period commencing January 31, 2022;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this request is hereby

approved.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

## **Adjournment:**

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by McDougald

18/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

For: All Against: None CARRIED

Original signed in office
Reeve
Original signed in office
Chief Administrative Officer