

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on October 12, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

Present: Reeve Dowbyhuz, Deputy Reeve Saxler, Councillors Bachman, Nichol and Sikkenga, Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

Also Present: Recording Secretary Marion

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Dowbyhuz and seconded by Saxler

308/16 **WHEREAS** the agenda for the regular meeting has been reviewed by Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda shall be adopted as amended. **CARRIED**

Reading and Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

309/16 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 28, 2016, have been submitted to Council for review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED**

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts:

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Nichol

310/16 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 19349 to 19387

Electronic Payments 3039 to 3040 and EFT 14 - 35

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$371,252.80. **CARRIED**

2. Financial Statements to September 30, 2016.

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga

311/16 **WHEREAS** the September, 2016, financial statements have been circulated for Council's review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial statements as at September 30, 2016, be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Delegations:

6:30 p.m. Emergency Planning Services

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Bachman

314/16 **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: *Preliminary Contract Negotiation*

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

CARRIED

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Bachman

315/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public. **CARRIED**

Administration was directed to acquire additional input for future discussion.

6:45 p.m. Janice Charko as representative for the Boreal Shores Art Tour which is a non-profit organization attended to provide an overview of the tour. The event will be held on August 19 and 20, 2017 and is a travelling tour. She requested a donation towards this initiative, Council agreed they were interested and would discuss further at their 2017 Budget meetings.

Communications:

1. Whitemouth & District Lions Club Community Calendar – request for advertisement. It was noted to include the clinic's number on this ad.
Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga
312/16 **WHEREAS** a request has been received to advertise in the Whitemouth & District Lions Club Community Calendar;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a bottom banner as per last year be hereby authorized. **CARRIED**
2. 2016 Municipal Road and Bridge Program – grant approval for \$60,000.00 for Whitemouth Avenue in Elma. A copy to be forwarded to the Public Works Committee for their review of the works for the 2017 Budget.
3. Lac du Bonnet and Area Food Bank – invitation to pot luck dinner. Council requested the number of users from our municipality.
4. Building Inspector Ruta – request for building permit reimbursement.
Moved by Saxler and seconded by Bachman
313/16 **WHEREAS** a request has been received from Building Inspector Ruta to reimburse funds to the owner of Roll No. 63850, for Permit No. 10/16, as a soil test has been completed and the drilling of piles is not possible;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a full reimbursement in the amount of \$1,975.00 be hereby approved. **CARRIED**
5. Canadian Union of Postal Workers – survey, it was noted that this is not our Post Office's union so no additional works are to be completed in this regard.
6. Indigenous and Municipal Relations – Deputy Minister Meier, request forms for Ministers Meetings at Association of Manitoba Municipalities convention. Council respectfully declined as being in Winnipeg we will forgo our request for meetings to accommodate more Northern municipalities better access to these meetings.
7. CP Holiday Train – The date is secured for Friday, December 2, 2016. Council discussed increasing the amount of their annual donation. Tabled.
8. Whitemouth Volunteer Fire Department – thank you. Noted. At this time Reeve Dowbyhuz presented Fire Chief Thomson a cheque in the amount of \$22,711.86 from an anonymous ratepayer for the Fire Departments purchase of a side by side off road vehicle. This unit will be used for trail rescue, grass fires, and other off road emergency response.
9. River Hills Community Club – financial report to March 25, 2016. Noted.
10. Manitoba Good Roads Association – newsletter. Noted.
11. Utility Report - September 2016. Noted. To do list created by Associated Engineering to be reviewed.
12. Public Works Report - September 2016. Noted.

13. Public Works – minutes of October 5 and 12, 2016. Noted.
14. Seven Sisters Community Centre Inc. – request for clarification
15. Cemetery Listing – information on locations provided as information.
16. Moose Management – notes from July '16 meeting. Noted.
17. Eastern Vocational Training Centre – feasibility study information. Noted.
18. By-Law Enforcement Officer Report for September 2016. A closed file was mentioned, and it was confirmed reminder letters will be sent out early next year to all previous yard offenders.
19. Denis Andrews – River Hills Bridge bearing information. Tabled to Budget 2017 discussions.
20. Business Process Automation on November 8, 2016.
Moved by Dowbyhuz and seconded by Bachman
316/16 **WHEREAS** a "Business Process Automation Day Seminar" will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT either the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer or the Chief Administrative Officer be hereby authorized to attend;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT she be reimbursed as per municipal policy. **CARRIED**
21. Manitoba Hydro – street lighting agreement for Herzog Drive.
Moved by Saxler and seconded by Bachman
317/16 **WHEREAS** Manitoba Hydro has provided an electric service agreement to have a street light installed in the vicinity of 47 Herzog Drive at Council's request;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby direct the Chief Administrative Officer to complete the necessary documentation. **CARRIED**
22. Whitemouth Regional Community Development Corporation Inc. – minutes of October 11, 2016. Noted.
23. Denis Andrews re: Bridge Recommendations, see C) 19.

Unfinished Business:

1. Daycare in Whitemouth School – request for direction.
Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Nichol
318/16 **WHEREAS** it is deemed to be essential to have a daycare center in Whitemouth, Manitoba;
AND WHEREAS many of the Schools in our Sunrise School Division have Day Care facilities in their schools;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Deputy Reeve Saxler and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson be hereby authorized to assist the local day care committee with this day care initiative;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT they be reimbursed as per municipal policy. **CARRIED**
2. Landfill Test Sites – Tabled.
3. Memorial Stone – confirmation of Blessing for October 22, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m. at the Old Whitemouth Municipal Cemetery.

4. Heating and Ventilation – quote received. Tabled to Budget 2017 discussions.
5. Grader Operator applications for on-call/casual position. Referred to in camera.
6. Request for crosswalk on Hospital Street – The consensus of Council was to complete this initiative in 2017.
7. Munisoft Program Package – Tabled.
8. Canopy Straw Plant – information from Beausejour Brokenhead Development Corporation
9. Street Lighting Audit - information
10. SnoPals Inc. Agreement – By-Law No. 660/16
 Moved by Saxler and seconded by Nichol
 319/16 **WHEREAS** Eastman Snopals Inc. have requested to purchase land to build their equipment shop/club house;
AND WHEREAS Council has approved same;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 660/16 being a by-law to enter into and execute an agreement to accommodate same be hereby given first reading. **CARRIED**

- Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga
 320/16 **WHEREAS** Eastman Snopals Inc. have requested to purchase land to build their equipment shop/club house;
AND WHEREAS Council has approved same;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 660/16 being a by-law to enter into and execute an agreement to accommodate same be hereby given second reading. **CARRIED**

New Business:

1. Public Works Update was provided verbally by Reeve Dowbyhuz. Discussion was held on drainage process. The consensus of Council was that all requests for drainage be forwarded to Councillor Sikkenga for her evaluation and recommendation to be forwarded to the Public Works Committee for their input.
2. Reports of Committees were provided verbally from individual members of Council.
3. Aviva Grant for research completed. Noted.
4. Date for Ministers Meeting re: Hydro will be circulated to Council once received.
5. Drainage permit process clarification. See NB) 1.
6. Water Meeting with Lac du Bonnet, Pinawa and Manitoba Water Service Board Representative. Recommendation to meet in Winnipeg at the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention. The consensus of Council was to approve same.
7. Budget 2017 Meeting date will be Wednesday, November 9, at 5:00 p.m.
8. No Limits – draft tower agreement. To be forward to IT Ruta for her input, then back to Administration for by-law preparation.

9. Culverts at Fireguard Road and PR307 require repair/replacement. Reeve Dowbyhuz to request a quotation to complete this task from Public Works Supervisor Howie.
10. Grass behind Herzog Drive – to be referred to the By-Law Enforcement Officer to address.
11. Stony Hill/Township Road – Tabled for a draft resolution to be prepared by Councillor Nichol and the Chief Administrative Officer.
12. Front Street – Speed Limit from 30 to 50 kph. Discussed. The consensus of Council was for it to remain at 30 kph.
13. Tourist Hotel – Sewer Invoice. Discussed.
Moved by Saxler and seconded by Sikkenga
321/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Tourist Hotel be reimbursed partially for a sewer concern which they required a contractor to fix in the amount of \$261.00 being paid without prejudice. **CARRIED**
14. Storage container purchase. Discussed. Tabled for additional information from Building Inspector Ruta.
15. Whitemouth River Testing – Administration to research and see if this testing is being duplicated by the municipalities and Manitoba Water Services Board.
16. Excused from Council meetings.
Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga
322/16 **WHEREAS** Reeve Dowbyhuz has requested an excused absence for the regular Council meeting to be held on November 16, 2016;
AND WHEREAS Councillor Sikkenga has requested an excused absence for the regular Council meeting on April 12, 2017;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT both of these requests are hereby authorized. **CARRIED**
17. Tim Horton's Camp - Fire Chief Thomson advised that during a testing session done jointly with our Fire Department and the Local Government District of Pinawa it was determined that the Dry Hydrant is not working. He will forward additional information in this regard to Council as received.

In Camera:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

323/16 **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: *Personnel, Legal*

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

CARRIED

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Sikkenga

324/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public. **CARRIED**

Administration was directed to set up 2 interviews for the Public Works Committee for the position of on-call/casual grader operator.

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Dowbyhuz

325/16 **WHEREAS** Bill Guys performance and previous experience has been reviewed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT his wage be increased

to \$21.04 per hour as of October 10, 2016.

CARRIED

Moved by Dowbyhuz and seconded by Bachman

326/16 **WHEREAS** Glen Campbell`s remuneration has been reviewed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT his wage be increased to \$24.00 per hour as of October 10, 2016.

CARRIED

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga

327/16 **WHEREAS** Sylvie Lean`s remuneration has been reviewed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the monthly amount be increased to \$575.00 per month effective October 1, 2016.

CARRIED

Adjournment:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

328/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 9:38 p.m.

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer