# THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 9, 2024, 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 McDougald

177/24 **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** 

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

178/24 **WHEREAS** the minutes of their regular meeting held on June 26, 2024, 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 Honke

179/24 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Cheque No. 25047 to 25077

Electronic Payments EFT 8027 to 8054

Childcare Building Cheque Nos. 30 & 31;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$170,492.88, of which \$27,705.38 is Childcare Building Expense.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

180/24 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Electronic Fund Transfers 8055 and 8056

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be

approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,792.67.

For: All

Against:

None

**CARRIED** 

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 180/24, 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.

2. Financial Statements ending May 31, 2024

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

181/24 **WHEREAS** the financial statements ending May 31, 2024, have been circulated to Council for their review;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** these financial statements are adopted as circulated.

For: All

Against:

None

**CARRIED** 

### Verbal Reports of Committees:

Councillor McDougald on the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility and the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District; and Deputy Reeve Honke on the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility.

### Communications:

- 1. Fisheries and Oceans re: Northern Brook Lamprey, species at risk. Noted.
- 2. Leeyus Families re: thank you to Administration. Noted.
- 3. Emergency Management Organization re: The Green Municipal Fund and Wawanesa Insurance funding. Noted.
- Town of Beausejour re: soil stabilization project available to witness, inspect, and inquire was on July 5, 2024.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Staerk

182/24 **WHEREAS** the Town of Beausejour hosted a soil stabilization on-site for road construction works in Beausejour, Manitoba, on July 5, 2024;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Supervisor Tolpa was authorized to attend same;

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

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

- Department of Municipal and Northern Affairs re: statutory review of Planning Legislation. It was noted that the Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District is in receipt of same.
- 6. Taxervice re: 2024 Tax Sale Reserve Bid Moved by McDougald and seconded by Honke

183/24 **WHEREAS** Taxervice is requesting direction on the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth 2024 Tax Sale Process;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** they be directed that Council does hereby, as per Section 762 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** the Chief Administrative Officer Johnson is the appointed Designated Officer to bid on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

For: All

Against:

None

**CARRIED** 

#### Unfinished Business:

- 1. Lagoon Tabled.
- 2. Waterline South of Elma Tabled.
- Whitemouth Grocer request for liquor sales Communications received, discussed.
  Administration was directed to request a meeting with Premier Kinew in this regard. Tabled.
- 4. By-Law No. 758/24 re: utility rates awaiting Public Utilities Board response. Tabled.
- 5. By-Law No. 759/24 re: Short Term Rental. Council is now prepared and will await the anticipated Provincial By-Law. Administration to return this by-law to the Agenda once a Provincial By-Law is received.

6. Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility re: fees and response letter.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

184/24 **WHEREAS** the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility has increased their tipping fees on May 1, 2024;

**AND WHEREAS** the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility is seeking support for the new tipping fees;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Reeve Amerongen's attendance on behalf of Council at the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility meeting on May 30, 2024, confirming that the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth is not in favor of the tipping fee increase and requesting the new fees be rescinded;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** again the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility be requested to abolish the new fees that were implemented.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

Response letter tabled to In Camera.

- 7. Noise By-Law Draft Reviewing legal input. Tabled.
- 8. Riverbend Manor re: requested maintenance items not yet completed from 2023. Council directed Administration to request a meeting with MLA Ewasko in this regard. Tabled.
- 9. JohnQ re: Child Care Building Inspections/Maintenance package for initial year only certain items approved.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

185/24 **WHEREAS** JQBuilt has supplied a "Building Envelope Inspection and Maintenance Package" to ensure compliance with warranty requirements for the Childcare Centre;

**AND WHEREAS** discussions have now been held with the Whitemouth Child Care Representatives;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that only items 1 & 2, 1 being the Building Envelope Warranty Review and Condition Monitoring, and item 2 Roof and Building Envelope Inspection and Maintenance are hereby approved.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

- 10. Building By-Law Draft Tabled, fees from the area are being collated for Council's information. Goal to implement for January 1, 2025.
- 11. Fire Inspections Tabled.
- 12. Building Inspector Position Tabled.

### New Business:

- JohnQ re: Childcare Building Update, first year building warranty walk through is being scheduled. Tabled.
- 2. General Holiday re: Union Inquiry Referred to the Public Works Committee.
- 3. By-Law No. 762/24 re: Establish Childcare Centre Reserve Fund Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

186/24 **WHEREAS** a reserve fund is required for the recently constructed Child Care Building;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 762/24 being a bylaw to establish a Childcare Centre Reserve Fund be hereby given first reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Staerk

187/24 **WHEREAS** a reserve fund is required for the recently constructed Child Care Building;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 762/24 being a bylaw to establish a Childcare Centre Reserve Fund be hereby given second reading.

For: All

None Against:

**CARRIED** 

4. By-Law No. 763/24 re: Establish Seven Sisters Commercial Lot Infrastructure

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

188/24 WHEREAS a reserve fund is required for the Seven Sisters Commercial Lots Infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 763/24 being a bylaw to establish a Reserve Fund for the Seven Sisters Commercial Lots Infrastructure be hereby given first reading.

Against: None **CARRIED** 

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

189/24 WHEREAS a reserve fund is required for the Seven Sisters Commercial Lots Infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 763/24 being a bylaw to establish a Reserve Fund for the Seven Sisters Commercial Lots Infrastructure be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

#### In Camera

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

190/24 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 Legal following item:

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

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

191/24 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 McDougald

192/24 WHEREAS there is a controversy over tipping fee rates for the Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Chief Administrative Officer Johnson be hereby directed to forward all communications to Municipal Solicitor Currie for his opinion.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED** 

# Adjournment:

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

193/24 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:01 p.m.

For: All

Against:

None

**CARRIED** 

Reeve

Course Colors Chief Administrative Officer