

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on February 10, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. which was held 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 Shelley Marion

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Sikkenga

31/16 **WHEREAS** the agenda for the regular meeting has been reviewed by Council and items have been added;

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

Reading and Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Saxler

32/16 **WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 27, 2016, have been submitted for Council review;

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

Delegations:

6:30 p.m. Dean Chezick requested a delegation in regards to a boundary road and access to same. He called and cancelled same as an agreement had been reached. Information received and researched placed in Roll No. 152600 file for future reference.

6:30 p.m. Murray Barkman as spokesperson for the Whitemouth 55 Plus Senior Housing Committee Inc. attended to request Council's rationale on not providing the \$25,000.00 as requested for the project. Discussed. Council agreed their position has not changed.

Financial:

1. Payment of accounts

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Sikkenga

33/16 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque No. 18845 to 18869 and Electronic Payments 2531 to 2572;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$416,311.48 of which \$285,685.02 is for the Sunrise School Division to replace cheque No. 18836. **CARRIED**

Communications:

1. Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District – request for first instalment of 2016 levy.

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Bachman

34/16 **WHEREAS** Whitemouth Reynolds Planning District has requested the first installment of their 2016 levy in the amount of \$4,500.00;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this request is hereby approved. **CARRIED**

2. Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water re: 2015 Annual Compliance Report. Noted.
3. Rural Municipality of Springfield – notice of public hearings. Noted.
4. Sunrise School Division – notice of budget meeting. Noted.
5. Public Works Supervisor – January '16 Report and 5 year Capital Plan. Noted.
6. Public Works – minutes of February 3 and 10, 2016. Noted.
7. Whitemouth Regional Community Development Corporation Inc. – minutes of February 2, 2016. Noted.
8. Rural Economic Planning Forum – session notes of November 16, 2015. Noted.
9. Community Futures – information on Economic Profiles and Planning Forum. Noted.
10. Aecom – services offered for railways crossing data required by Transport Canada. More research to be completed and forwarded back to Council.

Unfinished Business:

1. Smerechynski Agreement for Access By-Law No. 645/16

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Nichol

35/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 645/16 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Smerechynski's be hereby given second reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

36/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 645/16 be hereby given third and final reading.

CARRIED

2. Brian McDougald – request for water meters. Information obtained from Residential Tenancies Branch advises that whomever is the owner of the trailer park would be responsible for purchase and installation of water meters.

3. Cemetery Plaque research – Approximately cost. Tabled.

4. Municipal Emergency Coordinator Ruta – 2016 Emergency Plan.

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga

37/16 **WHEREAS** Municipal Emergency Coordinator Ruta has provided the 2016 Emergency Plan for Councils review;

AND WHEREAS Emergency Plans must be sent to the Province for approval;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth do hereby approve and said Plan be forwarded to the Province of Manitoba requesting their approval.

CARRIED

5. Rescind Approach By-Law – By-Law No. 646/16

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Saxler

38/16 **WHEREAS** Council deems it to be in the best interests of their ratepayers to rescind the Approach By-Law being By-Law No. 498/08;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 646/16 being a by-law to rescind By-Law No. 498/08 be hereby given first reading. **CARRIED**

6. Establish Fire Equipment Reserve Fund – By-Law No. 647/16

Moved by Saxler and seconded by Sikkenga

39/16 **WHEREAS** Council deems it to be in the best interests of their ratepayers to establish a Fire Equipment Reserve Fund;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 647/16 being a by-law to establish a fire equipment reserve fund be hereby given first reading.

CARRIED

7. Utility Rate By-Law No. 648/16 – Discussed. Tabled for further discussion at the next regular meeting.

8. IT Person

Moved by Bachman and seconded by Nichol

40/16 **WHEREAS** quotations for an IT provider have been received and reviewed;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the successful applicant is Marilyn Ruta with quotation dated January 14, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$35.00 per hour plus municipal mileage rate and any applicable taxes;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this be in effect for a one year term.

CARRIED

New Business:

1. Public Works Update – Noted.
2. Reports of Committees were verbally provided by members of Council. In addition Councillor Sikkenga requested a letter of support from Council regarding initiatives from Two Rivers. Approved, referred to Councillor Sikkenga and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson to complete.
3. Dog control by-law – to be prepared for First reading next regular meeting.

In Camera:

Moved by Nichol and seconded by Saxler

41/16 **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:

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 Bachman ad seconded by Sikkenga

42/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152 (4) of The Municipal Act does now re-open the public meeting. **CARRIED**

4. Handivan re: driver schedule services. The service is to continue being provided by our administration.
5. Church Tender to move – to be advertised once the subdivision and agreement requirements are completed.
6. Caveat Removal – request for direction. More research to be completed prior to issuance of a building permit.
7. Sno-Pals Inc. – invitation to Open House on February 27, 2016, from 11am to 2 pm. Noted.

8. Manitoba Hydro Property Department – Transfer of land re: closed walkway
Moved by Nichol and seconded by Sikkenga

43/16 **WHEREAS** Manitoba Hydro has requested that ownership of the closed public walkway Plan 46229 WLTO in Seven Sisters be transferred to them from the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth;

AND WHEREAS Council has agreed to same;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Dowbyhuz and Chief Administrative Officer be hereby directed to execute the Transfer of Lands regarding same.

CARRIED

9. Co-op Community Spaces Grant
Moved by Saxler and seconded by Bachman

44/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council does hereby support the initiative to apply for funding through the Co-op Community Spaces Grant;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Chief Administrative Officer Johnson be hereby directed to provide a letter of support for same.

CARRIED

10. Two Rivers – request for letter of support. See Reports of Committees.

11. Elizabeth Crescent – Chief Administrative Officer Johnson was directed to prepare a reserve by-law for same to be provided first reading at the next regular meeting.

12. Municipal Roads Grant – Research to be done by Administration.

Adjournment:

Moved by Sikkenga and seconded by Bachman

45/16 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer