

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 8, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the R. M. of Morris.

Reeve Herm Martens presided.

Council members present were: Ralph Groening, Sieg Neumann, Stan Siemens, Denis Robert, Barry Fraese, Leo Kornelsen.

Budget Meeting

At 9:00 a.m., Council held their public meeting for the 2002 Financial Plan. There was no one present for this meeting and Council discussed aspects of the budget. At approximately 10:00 a.m. the meeting for the Financial Plan was ended.

Agenda

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Stan Siemens:

#82/02. Resolved that the agenda for the May 8, 2002 regular meeting be now approved as it is now amended or as may be amended.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Minutes

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#83/02. Resolved that the minutes of the April 10, 2002 regular meeting and the April 11 and 12, 2002 special meetings be now accepted as presented by the Municipal Administrator.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Adopt Financial Plan

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#84/02. Whereas the Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a public meeting on May 8, 2002 for our 2002 Financial Plan: Therefore Be It Resolved that the council of the Rural Municipality of Morris does now accept and adopt the 2002 Financial Plan without amendment.

Carried. For 6
Against 1

Adopt 5 Year Capital Program

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#85/02. Resolved that the Five Year Capital Expenditure Program for the Rural Municipality of Morris for the years 2003 to 2007, incl. Be now adopted by Council.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Budget Debenture Schedule

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Stan Siemens:

#86/02. Resolved that the proposed debenture financing for the R.M. of Morris as indicated on Page 13 of the 2002 Financial Plan be now adopted by Council.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

By-law 1561/02

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#87/02. Resolved that by-law 1561/02, being a by-law setting the mill rate requirements for our 2002 Financial plan be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Public
Works
Foreman

Mr. Don Harder, Public Works Foreman, then met with Council. He indicated that 5 miles of drainage work has been done and there is approximately 60 miles of drift dirt in ditches caused by recent high winds. The Water & Soil Management Committee felt that the issue of the drift dirt should be dealt with and to undertake cleanout of the drift dirt would cause a substantial change to the planned 2002 drainage work program. We would need to send out a newsletter flyer to all the farmers explaining the situation and possibly have a public meeting to explain the issue of changing the drainage program.

Council also discussed a possible fee for cleaning out the drift dirt from the ditches, however that issue was not discussed further.

Council also discussed the drainage problems of the Tobacco Creek Drain and Drain 111. There was also a general discussion to install culverts through the NE corner of Section 30-5-1 WPM into Drain 111.

Council then recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at approximately 1:15 p.m.

Mr. Harder then continued his presentation to Council. He informed Council that the Prairie Grain Roads Program tenders would be in on Friday, May 10, 2002 and we would know then what the amount would be. There are currently 3 graders on the gravel roads.

For the Lowe Farm water system there was a problem with a pressure valve and there was high pressure in the water lines that did cause some problems to a few houses.

All employees are now working.

The Caterpillar grader has a radiator leak and is now in Winnipeg being fixed.

The Sperling water and sewer project is to start this week. Taillieu Construction was the contractor hired for the installation of the main lines for the project. Their portion of the project will take approximately 1 month.

Council discussed the cutting of cattails and what machinery may be available to do such a job. It was felt that a demonstration should be arranged to have a look at the equipment working.

For the drift work needing to be done, a wider bucket on the Track hoe is needed and he wanted to know if purchasing such a bucket would meet council's approval. If the removal of the drift dirt is slow, a wide bucket may be needed for each machine. Council felt that all efforts must be made towards the drift dirt and that a wider bucket should be investigated and acquired if necessary.

Vet. Clinic

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:

#88/02. Resolved that we contribute \$1,000.00 to the St. Pierre Veterinary Service Board.

Defeated For 2
Against 5

Veterinary
District
Withdrawal

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#89/02. Whereas the R. M. of Morris has previously given notice of our intention to withdraw from the St. Pierre & District Veterinary Service Board;
And Whereas the Council of the R. M. of Morris does not wish to reverse its previous decision;
Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris further notify the Veterinary Services Commission and the St. Pierre & District Veterinary Service Board of our wish and desire to withdraw our membership to the St. Pierre & District Veterinary Service Board according to the initial request.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Accounts

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#90/02. Resolved that we now approve the list of accounts for May 8, 2002 in the amount of \$120,120.57.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Street
Light on
Brandt Rd.

Moved by Barry Fraese, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:
#91/02. Resolved that we request Manitoba Hydro to install a street light on Brandt Road in Rosenort, Manitoba at the hydro pole that is furthest north on that street.

Carried. For 6
Against 1

MWSB
Agreement
Water
Lines

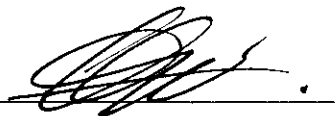
Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#92/02. Whereas the Rural Municipality of Morris is planning to install rural water lines in the Municipality;
And Whereas the Manitoba Water Services Board requires an agreement for these projects and the financial arrangement for same;
And Whereas this agreement indicates a contribution of \$100,000.00 from the Manitoba Water Services for these rural water lines;
Therefore Be It resolved that the R. M. of Morris does now authorizing entering into an agreement with the Manitoba Water Services Board for these rural water line projects and authorizes the Reeve and Municipal Administrator to sign the said documents.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Adjourn

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:
Resolved that the meeting be now adjourned at 5:00 p.m. with Council agreeing to meet again on Thursday, May 9, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. to continue the agenda of the May 8, 2002 regular meeting.

Reeve



Municipal Administrator

