

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a special meeting on Thursday, October 17, 2002 at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the R. M. of Morris.

Reeve Herm Martens presided.

Council Members present were: Ralph Groening, Sieg Neumann, Barry Fraese, Leo Kornelsen, Denis Robert and Stan Seimens attended at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Don Harder was also present for this meeting.

The purpose of this meeting involved was water line connection at a hog barn construction site on the NW of Section 36-4-1 WPM and also our Municipal mower equipment.

Mower
Equipment

At the start of the meeting, Mr. Harder explained that our Bush Hog rotary mower is in need of serious repairs and should be replaced. He then presented council with a proposed costing for a Shulte mower unit. Because a replacement is needed as soon as possible and the parts, etc. are available nearby for this unit and the price was reasonable, the proposal was considered.

Purchase
Mower

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen, #196/02. Whereas the 10 foot mower of the Municipality is no longer in workable condition and needs to be replaced; Therefore Be It Resolved that we purchase a XH1000 Shulte rotary mower from Keystone Agri-Motive of Steinbach at a cost of \$11,400.00 with our Bush Hog mower being given in trade on this unit.

Carried. For 6
Against 0

A. Weiss
Hog Barn
Construction
-Water Line

Council then proceeded to discuss the construction work at Mr. Alvin Weiss's hog barn project. It seems that in the construction of the hog barn, the contractor attempted to connect to the existing water line to the house. This attempted connection was done between the house and the curb stop, and there was no approval given by the Municipality and no indication by the contractor or owner that they wanted to do this or wished to do this. This attempted unauthorized line connection has now been capped.

Council discussed what action to take on this situation. Some of Council felt that immediate legal action should be taken, possibly the R.C.M.P. should be contacted. This connection was not authorized and the owner and Elite Swine representatives had recently informed Council a few days earlier that they would not be connecting to this water line and would not need this service at this time. The connection has now been capped, however that is now a weakness in the integrity of the line to the house and is subject to future leakage. The line connection from the curb stop to the house should be replaced with a single unit line.

Council felt that this unauthorized work should have an immediate surcharge for this attempted work in the amount of \$5,000.00 and that there be a charge of \$8,000.00 to connect to the water system and that the house be reconnected with a new water line.

This entire situation caused Council to express the seriousness of the attempted unauthorized connection and the implications towards any such work.

A. Weiss
Hog Barn

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#197/02. Resolved that Mr. Alvin Weiss's hog barn construction has undertaken an unauthorized water line connection for the proposed hog barns at the NW of Section 36-4-1 WPM;


And Whereas Council will be consulting legal advice on the situation; Therefore Be It Resolved that Mr. Alvin Weiss be now charged the following:

1. That there be a \$5,000.00 surcharge for the unauthorized water line connection.
2. That there be an \$8,000.00 charge to connect the barn to the water line system.
3. That the water line to the house needs to be replaced with a new line from the curb stop to the house at the owner's expense.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:

That this special meeting be now adjourned at 12:20 p.m.



Reeve



Municipal Administrator