

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a special meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the R. M. of Morris.

Reeve Herm Martens presided.

Councillors present were: Ralph Groening, Leo Kornelsen, Barry Fraese, Denis Robert, Sieg Neumann.

The purpose of this special meeting was to continue the agenda from the February 12, 2003 regular meeting.

Youth for
Christ
Cafe 75

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#23/03. Whereas Youth for Christ Morris has requested financial support for the operation of Café 75;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris will consider the waiving of the landfill fees and will consider providing equipment to the project upon the available time allocation by our Public Works Foreman.

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Weed Sup.
Seminar

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:

#24/03. Resolved that Denis Robert and Leo Kornelsen be authorized to attend the Man. Weed Supervisors Assoc. seminar in Holland on March 19, 2003.

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Planning
Seminar

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Denis Robert:

#25/03. Resolved that Herm Martens and Ralph Groening be authorized a planning seminar in Brandon on March 13 and 14, 2003.

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Delegation

Mr. David Boles of Municipal Planning and Mr. Neil Carroll of Provincial Planning met with Council to discuss the status of our Development Plan. Mr. Carroll gave Council a brief outline of recent events and meetings that have been held concerning this plan. There was a meeting held with Mr. McLean in June of 2001 and it was believed that revisions and changes requested from that meeting should provide a final document. To date, they have not been provided any further revisions or new documents since that date.

When a final draft is available, there will still be another 2 to 3 months to circulate it to Government Departments and assume that those departments have not changed their views on issues involving this plan.

Mr. McLean has done many of the necessary changes to the Development Plan.

Some areas of the Plan are possibly more involved than they need to be, however, that does not mean that it is a problem with the Plan.

Provincial Planning is waiting for copies of the final Plan. Small business starting in the rural area and having the business grow would be a problem with the existing Development Plan.

The next step after the Development Plan is the Zoning By-law which has not been started yet. There was a February, 2002 draft which went to the Province but not to Council. Council felt that they could possibly remain with Mr. McLean's services, however, the new revised Development Plan must be provided to Council as soon as possible.

Public
Works
Foreman

Mr. Don Harder, Public Works Foreman, then met with Council and explained that the water leak in Rosenort was not a water line break, but as the water was salty, that water was from another source. Environment was being called on the matter. The water leak is now close to Rosewood Apts.

On the matter of equipment, they are looking at purchases of the following equipment:

Brandt Trucking – 1993 Western Star Truck	\$24,000.00
Lodeline – 1996 Ford	\$20,000.00
Max Rentals – Low Bed Trailer	\$18,000.00
Fort Garry Ind. – Truck Box	\$6,000.00

And also selling some municipal equipment with an expected price as follows:

3 Ton Truck	\$7,500.00
1987 Ford Truck	\$13,000.00
Low Bed Trailer	\$18,000.00

On the issue of Drainage work for 2003, 55 miles have been approved and 20 requests are being given further consideration.

Mr. Harder is taking holidays from March 10 to 21, 2003.

Sale of
Equipment

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:
#26/03. Resolved that we authorize the sale of the following municipal equipment:

3 ton truck	\$7,500.00
1987 Ford Semi Truck	
Low Bed Trailer	

and that sales of this equipment be at the best price available to the approval of the Equipment Committee.

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Purchase
of Equip.

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Denis Robert:
#27/03. Resolved that the Equipment Committee be authorized to purchase the following equipment:

2 Semi Trucks	\$20,000.00 to \$24,000.00
Low Bed Trailer	\$18,000.00
Truck Box	\$6,000.00

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Rural
Water Lines
Proposal
2003

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#28/03. Whereas the R. M. of Morris wishes to undertake the installation of rural water lines in the Municipality;
Therefore Be It Resolved that the following proposed water line projects be submitted to P.F.R.A. and Manitoba Water Services Board for support and funding for the 2003 construction year for these projects:

- Lowe Farm South - approximately 20 miles of lines in the general area south of Lowe Farm
- PR 422 West - South and West of Section 25-5-1W
- Pleasant Valley - South of Sec 2/3-6-1W & through 34-5-1W
- McTavish Water Line - from the PVWC line South of Rosenort to the McTavish area.
- Morris South Line - an area south and west of Morris.
- Aubigny Line - from PR 23 to Aubigny along PR 246
- PTH 75 Line - from McTavish along 205 to PTH 75 then along PTH 75 north to boundary.

Carried. For 5
Against 0

Council then recessed for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

Councillor Denis Robert was unable to attend the afternoon session of this meeting.

Rescind
Resolutions

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann;
#29/03. Resolved that resolutions no. 18/03 and 19/03 be now rescinded.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Planning

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#30/03. Resolved that Ruraland Consulting be notified to provide the final draft copies to the Morris Development Plan to the R. M. of Morris by February 27, 2003 for Council's review.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Accounts

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#31/03. Resolved that we now approve the list of accounts for February 12, 2003 in the amount of \$350,076.78.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Cond. Use
Hearing

3/2003

B.Recksiedler
SE 26-4-1W

Council then held a Public Hearing for Conditional Use Application No. 3/2003 from Bill Recksiedler and Tammy Recksiedler for the construction of a 2,000 feeder hog barn on the SE of Section 26-4-1WPM.

There were 7 people that attended this hearing.

Bill Recksiedler spoke that he lives in the Sewell area and wants to stay in the area. His grain farming is not viable and he wants to diversify and have a hog barn.

Tammy Recksiedler stated that the yard site on this property has trees, hydro available and is a good site for their proposed hog barn. They want to stay on the farm and this diversification will allow them to accomplish this.

Reg Spears of Elite Swine, indicated that the barn may have up to 2,100 pigs. He then reviewed a written presentation for Council. The yard site has mature trees on the South, West and North sides. The lagoon is designed to have a 500 day storage capacity and they would have a dead stock cooler. He indicated that 30% of the odour is from the barn. Tree shelter belts may be needed on the North and East sides. They have over 300 acres for spreading of the manure.

Reeve Martens then read a letter from John Kehler expressing their opposition to the project.

Bruce Mazinke spoke that opposition has increased over the last few years. There have been many precautions put in place because of this opposition and tarp covers is an example of this. They have had to put a tarp cover on their lagoon because of opposition to their hog barn project.

Councillor Kornelsen asked where the Recksiedler's reside and was informed that they live on the SW of Section 12-4-1 WPM.

Councillor Neumann mentioned that the feed and hogs for this barn proposal would be using the east road.

Hearing Continued

Councillor Fraese asked if the neighbors had been contacted. Mr. Recksiedler responded that they had contacted the Kehlers and was informed that they would not support the project. Mr. Recksiedler indicated that whatever smell may affect them would be much less with the barn in the existing yard than in the SE corner of the quarter and be wide open.

Tammy Recksiedler noted that there is an existing house on the yard that will be moved off. They had moved to their current location in March, 2003 and they can not afford to keep the house on the yard.

Bruce Mazinke stated that they were required to spend over \$24,000.00 on gravelling the north/south road by their barn and others have full use of the road that they paid to have graveled. The Kehlers had not objected to their barn application in 1998.

Toews asked what health status these pigs would have as this barn is approximately 1 mile from the Shoreline hog barn. Would Elite Swine place a feeder barn so close to one of their sow barns.

Reg Spears stated that these pigs micro negative animals and did not believe that they would pose a danger to their sow barn.

Heinz Neumann mentioned that their farming yard site is near the proposed barn and if they should want to sell their farming site they may have a problem to sell it.

The hearing was ended at 2:40 p.m.

By-law
1562/03

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#32/03. Resolved that By-law No. 1562/03, being a by-law authorizing the debenture issue for rural water lines, be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Culvert
Tender

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#33/03. Whereas the R. M. of Morris has received quotation bids for the supply of culverts to the Municipality for the 2003 season; Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris does now accept the quotation from Westman Steel Industries being a discount of 36% off the list price with delivery being FOB Morris.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Councillor Ralph Groening declared a conflict of interest for the next item on the agenda and excused himself from the meeting for this issue.

Fuel
Tender

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Leo Kronelsen:
#34/03. Whereas the R. M. of Morris has received quotation bids for the supply of diesel fuel to the Municipality for the period from April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004; Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris does now accept the quotation from Lowe Farm Co-op with prices being
Marked Diesel Fuel \$.442/litre plus GST
Clear Diesel Fuel \$.561/litre plus GST
according to their letter of February 5, 2003.

Carried. For 3
Against 0

Councillor Ralph Groening then returned for the remainder of the meeting.

PVDC
Magazine

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#35/03. Resolved that we purchase a ¼ page advertisement in the
Pembina Valley Regional Development magazine.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Rabies
Clinic

Moved by Barry Fraese, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:
#36/03. Resolved that we request Dr. Tim Gurnell to hold a rabies
clinic in Rosenort, Manitoba.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Valley
Library
Budget

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#37/03. Resolved that we accept the 2003 budget levy request for
the Valley Regional Library in the amount of \$7,235.00.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Employee
Salary
Change

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#38/03. Whereas the Council of the R. M. of Morris wishes to
adjust the salary amounts for 2 public works employees;
Therefore Be It Resolved that effective January 1, 2003, the following
salaries shall be in effect for the following employees:

Allan Recksiedler	\$14.29/hour
Rob Goertzen	\$15.81/hour.

Carried. For 4
Against 0

Moved by Councillor Barry Fraese:
Resolved that we now adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. with Council
agreeing to meet again on Friday, February 28, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the
R. M. of Morris Council Chambers.


Reeve


Municipal Administrator.