

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a special meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Thursday February 19, 2004 commencing at 1:30 p.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Fraese, Kornelsen, Neumann and Robert were present with Reeve Martens in the chair.

This meeting had been called by Reeve Martens to do some long range planning and also to clear up unfinished business.

DISCUSSION
LEVIES
FOR
ST. PIERRE
VET CLINIC

Council discussed the outstanding levies for the St. Pierre Vet Clinic, and instructed the Acting CAO to send a letter to Minister Rosann Wowchuk regarding the Vet Clinic with a copy to the legal firm. This letter should advise the R.M. of Morris had to pay \$6786.30 due to the Ministers procrastination.

Reeve Martens acted as a facilitator for the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was the Council meeting agendas. The Acting CAO was instructed to schedule presentations from delegations at the same time. Ratepayer delegations should be limited from fifteen to thirty minutes depending on their requests. Council prefers to stick with the consecutive Wednesday/Thursday format, based on a second Wednesday of each month. The Acting CAO was instructed to move Committee meeting minutes into a separate section at the front of the correspondence.

WELLNESS
CENTER/ARENA

During the second segment, Council discussed the proposed Wellness Center/ Arena. The Acting CAO was instructed to check if the R.M. of Morris needs to hold a hearing to set a mill-rate for a CCD. If the Town Council is not going to build a new arena then the R.M. of Morris wants out of the existing agreement.

Council then discussed their monthly Financial Statements and asked the Acting CAO to try and design a financial statement in two pages. Council would like to see one page for a Balance Sheet, and second page for a summary of Income and Expenses. Council will experiment with different formats to see which they like best.

The Acting CAO was instructed to phone Workmans Compensation regarding Insurance for volunteers building a house and to check into the liability insurance. Council spent a brief amount of time discussing the proposed equipment purchases over the next five years. This listing had been prepared by the Equipment Committee, and resulted in a replacement reserve of approximately \$450,000.00 after five years.

Council discussed the Public Works staffing for the coming year with the R.M. of Morris Foreman, as well as all members of Council. Council decided that they will apply for two Green Team positions, and will consider hiring a spare operator.

The Acting CAO was instructed to check whether we had offered weed-spraying services to Manitoba Conservation for their ditches.

FUTURE OF
MUNICIPAL
OFFICE
PW SHED

Council spent some time planning the future of the Municipal Office, and discussed various options such as a new roof, complete internal re-modeling, and a new free standing building. Council also discussed building a new Municipal Office and Public Works shed. Council decided not to make any major changes for a least one year. Council agreed to continue monitoring the office staffing position, to determine whether employees are filling the roles that were intended.

Ralph Groening - Denis Robert
#49/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris forgive the building Permit fee for Russ Kerreluk in the amount of \$186.00, plus provide free inspection.

Carried 5
Against 0

Sieg Neumann -- Ralph Groening
#50/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve a car dealership license for Rosenort Motors (1979) Ltd.

Carried 5
Against 0

Ralph Groening -- Sieg Neumann
#5104 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve application for subdivision #4152-03-4626 on the condition that the owner obtain a variation order for the site size from 40 acres to 20 acres.

Carried 5
Against 0

Ralph Groening -- Barry Fraese
#52/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the banking tender from the Rosenort Credit Union, this being the best tender received.

Carried 5
Against 0

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Reeve

Acting CAO

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