

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday May 12, 2004 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Fraese, Kornelsen, Neumann, Robert, and Wiens were present with Reeve Martens in the chair.

Meeting
with
Mr. Haggerty

Mr. Garry Haggerty attended the meeting at 9:00 a.m. He advised that there had been problems getting the maps from Mr. Peter Williams. He has received no government response. Mr. Haggerty will send out the Zoning By-law today for government comments. The official hearing will be set up for July 14, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. for both the Development Plan and the Zoning By-law. Mr. Haggerty is suggesting 25 copies of the plan for circulation amongst Council members and any interested public members. Mr. Haggerty asked Councils opinion on several items including Sewell, which is to be left as a Rural Residential, Rosenort concrete plant which will be zoned Rural Residential and the Tea House in Rosenort which will be considered as a residential home occupation.

Mr. Haggerty then left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

By-law
1580/04

Ralph Groening-Sieg Neumann
#117/04 Resolved that By-law # 1580/04 being a
Development Plan By-law be given first reading.

Carried

By-law
1581/04

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#118/04 Resolved that By-law # 1581/04 being the R.M. of
Morris Zoning By-law be given first reading.

Carried

Agenda

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#119/04 Resolved that the agenda be adopted as may be
amended.

Carried

Minutes

Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening
#120/04 Resolved that the minutes of the April 14 and April
15, 2004 meetings be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Barry Fraese-Leo Kornelsen
#121/04 Resolved that the minutes of the special meeting
held on April 19, 2004 be adopted as distributed.

Carried

The CAO was instructed to arrange a meeting for the Morris Community
Center District.

Under Committee reports Reeve Martens advised that his Committee had reviewed the Emergency Plan with Mr. Mark Bruyere. The Water Committee had also met with the Pembina Valley Water Corporation regarding the shortage. The attempt at an audit had been unsuccessful because Pembina Valley had misread their meters. Pembina Valley will be supplying two staff members to do an additional reading. Reeve Martens requested that the reports from the Triple R Community Future should be moved to the committee reports section rather than correspondence.

Councillor Groening reported that there had been some suggestions that Mr. Ray Muller would be involved in the arena construction. Councillor Groening also advised that he is anticipating 95 or 96 water hook-ups for the 2004 project. Councillor Groening asked whether the R.M. Council would be interested in hosting the RCMP musical ride. He also advised that the LUD of Rosenort is planning to set up a meeting to discuss low cost housing and that Westfield would be invited.

Musical
Ride

Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese
#122/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris host the RCMP Musical Ride with a barbecue at an estimated cost of \$700.00.

Carried

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He advised Council that ditching had started on May 3, 2004 with the rotary starting on May 10, 2004. The CAT will need a new motor. The straw clean up was done by April 30, 2004. The R.M. of Morris had spent \$22,000.00 doing repairs for a flood road. Mr. Harder also advised that packers for the rear of the grader would cost about \$25,000.00 each, and he believes that the R.M. of Morris should have a total of three. He also reported that he has rented a tractor for \$30.00 per hour. He reviewed the chemical tenders with Council and advised that Mr. Wiebe is going to a West Nile Virus seminar. Mr. Harder also discussed the Rosenort dyke hay tenders with Council and advised that the culverts are here. The R.M. of Morris will be replacing three bridges this year. J.P. Enns has not started on the rural water as of today's date and Council instructed to order the water meters. Mr. Harder will deal with the Green Team interviews.

The CAO was instructed to write a letter regarding the Kronsgr⁺ drain to Mr. Henry Daniels with copies to Minister Steve Ashton and John Harris. The CAO was also asked to write a letter to the R.M. of De Salaberry that the R.M. of Morris will not be responsible for any costs on the joint road until it has been properly repaired. The CAO was further asked to send a letter to K-Line asking them to keep their employees off dirt roads when they are wet, as well as to Rothesay and feed companies. If the R.M. of Morris catches anyone messing up dirt roads then they will be charged for grading.

Councillor Groening then left the meeting due to a potential conflict of interest.

Chemical
Tenders

Denis Robert-Barry Fraese
#123/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the chemical tender from Rosenort Agro, this being the lowest tender received.

Carried

Councillor Groening returned to the meeting.

Reeve Martens suggested that the R.M. of Morris should write a letter to the Department of Highways requesting a meeting with the Minister regarding PR 332 and PR 422. The intention would be that PR 332 from PTH 14 to PTH 23 should be hard surfaced and PR 422 from PR 205 to PTH 23 should be brought up to RTAC standards. There was also some discussion concerning Bill 40 with Council agreeing to review it in depth.

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The CAO was then instructed to write a letter to the Minister of Highways.

Councillor Fraese reported that he has nothing to add under Roads. He extended a thank-you to Council for the insurance claim at Sperling.

Councillor Kornelsen reported that the Rosenort Fire Department is ordering 6 sets of turn out gear. The Riverside lease has been signed for the park.

Councillor Neumann advised that he had nothing to report from his Committees.

Councillor Robert mentioned the new landfill fees effective May 1, 2004.

Councillor Wiens advised that the Employee Relations Committee have approved evaluation forms and they are looking for comments from Council members.

The CAO was instructed to add building to the agenda under Councillor Robert's reports.

Councillor Kornelsen reported that the quote for garbage collection has been given to the LUD Committee.

Ray Muller
Possible
P.M. for
New arena

Mr. Ray Muller attended the meeting at 1:45 p.m. He advised Council that he has been approached to act as Project Manager for the new arena. This project will take a substantial amount of time. Mr. Muller is aware that the Building Inspector and Compliance Officer is his primary job and that this cannot change. There will be a course at Red River Community College in fall that will take five days over two weeks. There was some discussion concerning lagoons being covered and using injection for the applying of manure. Mr. Muller then left the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

By-law
1576/04

Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
#124/04 Resolved that By-law #1576/04 being the 2004 Tax Levy By-law be given second and third reading.

Carried

By-law
1578/04

Lionel Wiens-Barry Fraese
#125/04 Resolved that By-law #1578/04 being a Road Opening By-law be given second and third reading.

Carried

By-law
1579/04

Lionel Wiens-Barry Fraese
#126/04 Resolved that By-law #1579/04 regarding the Discharge of Storm Water be read a first time.

Carried

The CAO was instructed to commence legal proceedings regarding a certain property tax bill.

The CAO was also instructed to write to a certain resident regarding a directional-boring bill.

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Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 3:00 p.m. He reported to Council that he is checking out a water monitoring system and that he will meet with the sales people next week and tour each water plant.

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#127/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris refund ½ of the performance bond for Byron and Darla Loewen.

Carried

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#128/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris refund ½ of the performance bond to Leighton Siemens.


Carried

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#129/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris refund ½ of the performance bond for Eldon Schroeder.

Carried

Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
#130/04 Resolved that Kenton Penner be given an exemption from covering his lagoon due to his bio-treatment for 2004.

Carried

 Council decided that Mr. Penner's approval will be on a continuous basis providing that he submits copies of invoices for the cost of bio-treatment.

Councillor Groening will look after getting an engineer for the Lowe Farm lagoon project.

The CAO was instructed to send a copy of the letter from the R.M. of Roland to Minister Steve Ashton.

The CAO was instructed to tender for hay cutting on five sections of the Rosenort dyke. All hay must be cleaned up by October 1, 2004 in each year.

The CAO was instructed to contact the Department of Highways regarding a permit to move the curling signs. The CAO was further instructed to bill Manitoba Water Services Board for the leaking water meters.

Ralph Groening-Lionel Wiens
#131/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the tender for sewer tank cleaning as follows:
Charles Stone - Sperling \$40.00/tank
H. Brown - Lowe Farm \$43.00/tank
H. Brown - Rosenort \$45.00/tank

Carried

Sieg Neumann-Leo Kornelsen
#13204 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris grant a one time only, one year extension to the conditional use permit for Dulaney and Vicky Blatz, but does not include the dribble bar experiment.

Carried

Septic
Tank Tender

D. Blatz
Extension

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Morris
Chamber
Membership

Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese
#133/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris purchase a membership in
the Morris and District Chamber of Commerce.


Groening – yes
Fraese – yes
Kornelsen – no
Neumann – no
Robert – yes
Wiens - yes

Carried

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at
4:45 p.m.



Reeve



CAO