

## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Thursday May 13, 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. This meeting was a continuation of a meeting that had been commenced on May 12, 2004.

The following correspondence was received.

### ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
A) Elaine Edel	Directional Boring Bill	CAO to reply
B) Byron Loewen	Performance Bond Refund	See Resolution
C) Leighton Siemens	Performance Bond Refund	See Resolution
D) Greengable Piglets	Performance Bond Refund	See Resolution
E) Kenton Penner	Straw Exemption	See Resolution
F) Can-Mb Infrastructure	Lowe Farm Lagoon Approval	Noted & filed
G) R.M. of Morris	Railway Taxes	Noted & filed
H) R.M. of Morris	Municipality tax deadlines	Noted & filed
I) R.M. of Morris	Drainage Approval	Noted & filed
J) Robert Fillion	Rosenort Dyke – hay	Noted & filed
K) Boyne Septic Service	Septic Tank Clean. – Sperling	Noted & filed
L) Mb. Highways	Sign Permit	Noted & filed
M) R.M. of Morris	Leak Repairs – List	Noted & filed
N) Waste Management	Garbage Quotes	Noted & filed
O) Garry Haggerty	Dev. Plan & Zoning By-law	Noted & filed
P) Dulaney Blatz	Cond. Use Extension	Noted & filed
Q) Water Stewardship	Community Dykes	Noted & filed
R) Morris Chamber	Membership	Noted & filed

### NEW CORRESPONDENCE

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
A)Red River School Div.	Draft –lease Agmt	Noted & filed
B) G.B. Schmidt Law Office	Municipal Drain	Noted & filed
C)Can.-Mb. Infrastructure	Agreement	Noted & filed
D)Leroy Anderson	2004 Sponsorship	See Resolution
E)Fisheries & Oceans	Letter from Kathy Fisher	Noted & filed
F)Robert Goossen	Thank-you letter	Noted & filed
G)EMO	2004 Spring Flood Prog.	Noted & filed
H)EMO	Disaster Financial Assis. Applic.	Noted & filed
I)E-mail- Midge Anderson	Joint Building Comm. Mtg.	Noted & filed
J)Country Graphics	Price on moving curling signs	Noted & filed
K)Elite Swine	Alvin Weiss - lagoon cover	Noted & filed
L)AMM	Mb. Community Climate Chall.	Noted & field
M)Mb. Water Stewardship	2004 Drainage Program	Noted & filed
N)MWSB	Water Tenders	Noted & filed
O)Mb Transp. & Gov't Serv.	Rental Form of Tractor	Noted & filed
P)Mb. Youth Job Cen.	Information Package	Noted & filed
Q)Fisheries and Oceans	Wuskwatim Generation Project	Noted & filed
R) Southern Mb. Rail.	Cost sharing on Rd. Repair	Noted & filed
S)Ray Muller	Permit Values	Noted & filed
T)Mb. Culture, Heritage	Application Form	Noted & filed

The CAO was instructed to mail copies of the Minutes to the Sperling and Lowe Farm Post Offices for public posting. The CAO was also instructed to speak to the R.M. of Morris Foreman regarding a set of minutes for the Public Works garage. The CAO was further instructed to combine the Reserve funds and the Trust funds for the various fire departments into one account per department. Any surplus or deficit incurred during the calendar year would be added to or subtracted from these trust accounts.

The CAO was further instructed to check into some equipment that had been sold from the former water treatment plant. This money should be allocated to the Lowe Farm Utility.

The CAO was instructed to try to make some changes to the proposed lease with the Red River Valley School Division.

Disaster  
Financial  
Assiss.

Leo Kornelsen-Ralph Groening  
#134/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris apply for Disaster  
Financial Assistance for flood damages to both public and private property.

Carried

Accounts

Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening  
#135/04 Resolved that the Accounts from cheque # 14753 to 14898  
totaling \$310,398.57 be approved.

Carried

Financial  
Stmts.

Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening  
#136/04 Resolved that the Financial Statements for January, February  
and March 2004 be approved as presented.

Carried

Sponsorship

Barry Fraese-Denis Robert  
#137/04 Resolved that the R.M. of Morris sponsor Leroy Anderson in  
the amount of \$400.00 for the Chuckwagon races.

Carried

Council decided to hold an Employee Relations Committee meeting at 9:00 a.m.  
on June 2, 2004 to review the performance appraisal form.

The CAO was instructed to write AMM and ask for their position on farm  
machinery being over height, width or length.

Councillor Neumann left the meeting at 1:30 p.m. due to a potential conflict of  
interest.

Mr. Bert Kornelsen and Mr. Ron Derksen as well as Elma Mitchell from the Red  
River Valley School Division attended the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Derksen led the discussion and questioned whether the Municipal Office  
building is for sale. Council answered yes, and Mr. Derksen asked for how much.  
There was a suggestion made by one member of the R.M. Council that the selling  
price could be \$380,000. The majority agreed that for the benefit of both parties an  
appraisal should be obtained. The School Board is not prepared to make an offer  
at this time. There was a suggestion made that selling price could be assessed  
value multiplied by 1.5. There was some discussion concerning a possession date  
and no date was agreed upon. Council suggested that they could forgive some rent  
if there was to be a January 1, 2005 possession date. The School Division advised  
that they are serious about purchasing this property. The R.M. of Morris will look  
after having the building appraised.

Discussion  
on Selling  
R.M. Office  
Bldg.

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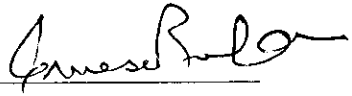
Councillor Neumann returned to the meeting.

Council of the R.M. of Morris decided that the Community Center Districts should receive one half of their money on May 15, 2004 and then one quarter of their annual levy on August 15, November 15, 2004. Morris CCD will still remain on the June and December one half contribution.

Councillor Groening mentioned that the R.M. of Roland has a Handy Van for sale. Council expressed some interest in setting up a Handy Van service.

There being no further business Councillor Fraese adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

  
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Reeve

  
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CAO