

## 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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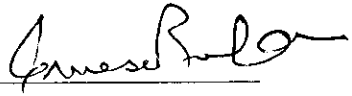
Councillor Neumann returned to the meeting.

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