

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday, January 12th, 2004~~5~~ commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Fraese, Kornelsen, Neumann and Wiens were present with Reeve Martens in the chair. Councillor Robert had sent his regrets.

1/05 Lionel Wiens-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as distributed and may be amended.

Carried

Council held two variation hearings.

Rosella Janz attended the meeting to speak in favour of variation #11/2004. This variation hearing was held to allow a 6-acre yard site in an agricultural area.

2/05 Ralph Groening-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that the Morris Variation Board approve application for variation #11/2004 to allow a 6-acre yard site on NE 22-4-2W.

Carried

No persons appeared to be heard regarding variation #12/2004 to allow a cemetery on the SW 31-6-2W.

3/05 Barry Fraese-Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that conditional use application #12/2004 be approved to allow a cemetery on SW 31-6-2W consisting of 3 acres.

Carried

4/05 Barry Fraese-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that the minutes of the December 8th, 2004 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

5/05 Sieg Neumann-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that the minutes of the December 9th, 2004 meeting be adopted as distributed and amended.

Carried

6/05 Ralph Groening-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the minutes of the December 14th, 2004 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

7/05 Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
Resolved that the minutes of the December 30th, 2004 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Council discussed an application for subdivision and whether or not to allow a 6-acre yard or allow a 10-acre yard site.

8/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that application for subdivision # 4152-04-4741 be approved subject to a revision to a 10-acre site to provide room for an ejector system.

Carried

The C.A.O. was asked to send a list to Mr. Dick Menon of all the proposed water lines for 2005. This list will be prepared by the Water Committee.

The Livestock Committee will review all performance bonds.

Mr. Roger Gillis from the Fire Commissioner's office attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. He advised that he is the assistant Fire Commissioner for this area. Councillor Kornelsen reported that the R.M. has concerns regarding a fire truck being put out of service after 18 years. The regulations appear to be unreasonable and have a very high cost. Councillor Kornelsen mentioned that there is some concern about being priced out of fire protection business. Councillor Kornelsen believes that protection and cost must be balanced.

Roger Gillis replied that there are no requirements anywhere setting standards. It is strictly a Council decision and Council decides the level of protection to provide. Mr. Gillis asked if Council would consider going into camera to discuss some individual municipal problems in Manitoba.

9/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that Council resolve into camera to discuss protection.

Carried

10/05 Ralph Groening-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that Council resolve back to open session.

Carried

Mr. Gillis strongly suggested that the R.M. should set up a meeting with all of the fire chiefs. This meeting should then try to do some planning for future fire equipment needs. Mr. Gillis stated that he would be willing to come out to such a meeting. Mr. Gillis also advised Council that insurance companies, who base insurance rates on the level of protection available, are driving a lot of the fire department costs.

The C.A.O. was asked to contact the R.M. of Macdonald and see if we could get a copy of their fire department spreadsheet.

Reeve Martens will talk to the R.M. of Pembina regarding their fire departments.

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 11:20 a.m. He advised that a combine can be purchased for ~~\$2,000.00~~, and the price of the GPS machine is \$27,000.00. There will be a GIS seminar on February 4th, 2005. Councillor's Groening and Neumann, as well as employee Alvin Wiebe will be attending this seminar. Mr. Harder reported that by 2006 all people working on the water system will have to have a level 2 certification. The next water school will be held in March. Mr. Harder reviewed with Council the requirements for some additional equipment and the recommendations from the Equipment Committee.

11/05 Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris adopt the recommendations of the meeting between the Reeve and Deputy Reeve of January 10th, 2005. WITH DUANE BOUTANG

Carried

12/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris charge interest at the rate of 4% for dyke construction from August 11th to December 1st, 2004.

Carried

13/05 Leo Kornelsen-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris purchase a 143 Cat grader with no warranty at a net price of \$110,400.00. TRADING THE CAT 143 GRADER

Carried

- 4/05 Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris purchase a Cat excavator 320C, trading the old Cat 320B for a net price of \$100,557.00.
- Carried
- 15/05 Lionel Wiens-Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris purchase a trencher at a cost of \$219,000.00 as per the quote dated January 5th, 2005 from Vermeer with the funds to come from the General Reserve subject to confirmation by the Public Works Foreman by Monday, January 17th, 2005.
- Carried
- 16/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the accounts as follows:
- | Check No. | Amount |
|-------------------|----------------|
| 16073-16228 | \$1,246,562.03 |
| 20050001-20050034 | \$43,849.87 |
- Carried
- 17/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris borrow \$3 million from the Rosenort Credit Union as operating loan.
- Carried
- 18/05 Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that By-law #1582/04 for debentures for Lowe Farm paying be read a second and third time.
- Carried
- 19/05 Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese
Resolved that By-law #1583/04 regarding debentures for Sperling water and sewer be read a second and third time.
- Carried
- 20/05 Sieg Neumann-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that By-law #1585/05 to cancel borrowing authority be read a first time.
- Carried
- 21/05 Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that By-law #1586/05 regarding the Rosenort dyke debenture be read a first time.
- Carried
- 22/05 Barry Fraese-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that By-law #1587/05 regarding Aubigny dyke debenture be given first reading.
- Carried
- 23/05 Ralph Groening-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that By-law #1588/05 regarding Lowe Farm dyke be given first reading.
- Carried

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Reeve

C.A.O.