

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday, March 23rd, 2005 commencing at 9:00 a.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 hold a public hearing regarding By-Law No. 1589/05 for rural water debentures, and to discuss other outstanding matters.

No persons appeared to be heard at the hearing for By-Law No. 1589/05, which was a debenture by-law and that had been duly advertised for a public hearing.

86/05 Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris give first reading to By-Law No. 1589/05.

Carried

Reeve Martens reported that he had telephoned Red Lake Minnesota and extended the sympathies of the R.M. of Morris for their school shooting.

Councillor Groening left the meeting due to a potential conflict of interest with fuel tenders.

Two fuel tenders had been received.

87/05 Denis Robert-Barry Fraese
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the fuel tender from Janico at .5760 and .6980 for marked and clear diesel, this being the lowest tender received.

Carried

Councillor Groening then returned to the meeting.

Reeve Martens gave Council an update on the Schellenberg subdivision. There will be no requirement for a bridge in the final agreement. Stage 1 will consist of 10 lots on the North side of the subdivision. Reeve Martens also reported on the Industrial Park and advised that there is a lot of interest in property in this area. The Industrial Park will be held by a community development corporation called Rosemor Community Development Corporation. It is expected that this subdivision will break even and if a substantial number of lots are sold, then the Community Development Corporation will purchase additional property at the end of 2005.

Reeve Martens also led the discussion concerning the Valley Agricultural Society. There is some concern because the Municipality will not make their equipment available to the Agricultural Society as long as no municipal employee is available to operate it. There was some concern expressed by Council that if they were to make a large donation towards the Manitoba Stampede, that this money should be for the Sunday events and should be for the Agricultural Fair as opposed to the Stampede.

88/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris donate \$5,000.00 to the Valley Agricultural Society as a day sponsor for Sunday, and no further equipment costs in kind for the 2005 event.

Carried

Councillor Groening reported that the Water Committee has set rates for larger meters. The Water Committee is recommending that they charge \$13,500.00 for a ¾-inch meter and \$22,500.00 for a 1-inch meter. The committee has met with the Silver Winds Colony and has suggested these prices to them. It was agreed that these rates would be available to anyone in the R.M. of Morris.

89/05 Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the recommendation from the Water Committee of a connection cost of \$13,500.00 for a ¾-inch water meter and \$22,500.00 for a 1-inch meter with these rates to increase 25% on January 1st, 2006.

Carried

The C.A.O. was asked to contact the Town of Morris and ask them to pick about three dates for a breakfast meeting.

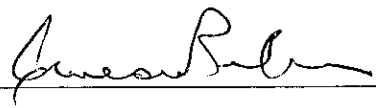
Council agreed that the trencher will come from the equipment reserve and that there will be an additional \$150,000.00 added in 2010 for a new grader.

The C.A.O. was asked to obtain the Provincial recommendations for the reserve levels.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.



Reeve



C.A.O.