

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held on Wednesday, August 10th, 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. Councillor Wiens had sent his apologies.

The C.A.O. was asked to phone the Honourable Steve Ashton regarding the requested meeting. The C.A.O. was also asked to write to the Premier again asking for an accounting of the dyke costs. The C.A.O. was further instructed to write again regarding the railway crossing on the Horndean road. The C.A.O. was further to write to CN regarding the first two crossings west of Town.

179/05 Denis Robert-Barry Fraese

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris adopt the agenda as presented and may be amended.

Carried

180/05 Ralph Groening-Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the minutes of the July 7th, 2005 meeting be adopted as distributed and amended.

Carried

181/05 Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese

Resolved that By-law # 1591/05 re: zoning by-law amendment be read a first time.

Carried

182/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening

Resolved that the accounts from check # 20050994-20051200 totaling \$373,794.54 be approved.

Carried

183/05 Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening

Resolved that the financial statement dated June 30th, 2005 be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Mr. Arthur Dueck attended the meeting at 10:15 a.m. He advised that he had a total of three issues. The first issue is the Riverside dyke and his ongoing battle to collect monies from the Province that he feels are owed to him. The second issue is the Riverside bridge. Mr. Dueck feels that the corner markers should be moved back about 50 feet so that farm machinery could be taken across this bridge. Mr. Dueck third issue was a flood access road. He requested that Council build up approximately 1 mile of road so that he would have access to his place during a flood.

Mr. Lawrence Dyck attended the meeting at 10:30 a.m. He advised Council that he farms in the R.M. of Morris and lives in Roland. Mr. Dyck rents a section of land from a German owner. His contract stipulates that he must keep the taxes up-to-date. There are some arrears on this property as a result of a utility bill being added to the property. Mr. Dyck argued that this utility bill has nothing to do with the land, the owner, or himself. The arrears are still there and Mr. Dyck does not accept someone else's bill on his land taxes. Mr. Dyck does not agree that water being hauled is a service to the property.

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He advised that 8 miles of drainage has been done and he expects that most of the planned drainage work will be done this

year. Mr. Harder wants to start spreading dirt the third week in August. Approximately ¼ of the road gravelling has been done, and the R.M. should anticipate a fuel surcharge of up to \$7,000.00. Mr. Harder advised that Borland Construction is planning to start paving in Lowe Farm on Friday and to be done by Tuesday. The R.M. of Morris would then do the shoulder work and clean up. Mr. Harder reported that under rural water, 5½ miles of 4-inch piping has been trenched and they are now doing the 3-inch going North. A total of 36 services have been done. Mr. Harder reported that he expects to start work on the Industrial Park streets and sewer and water in October. Lewis Instruments has given him an updated price of \$24,900.00 for the new GPS tower. His price can be reduced by \$10,000.00 or \$12,000.00 dollars because the R.M. has a base unit. Weed Control is presently working on cattails. Mosquito fogging is being done during late evenings. The R.M. will be receiving some revenue for tractors pumping at the dykes. It is hoped that this money will be able to go into the Warranty Reserve. Mr. Harder also reported that weed spraying for the Department of Highways will total \$14,000.00. Mr. Harder is waiting to hear back from Duane Boutang on the Prairie Grain Roads Program. Mr. Harder is unable to go on the tour with Toromont Cat to their plant in Illinois and Councillor Kornelsen was appointed to attend in his place.

Reeve Martens advised that he would like to meet with Duane Boutang when they come out to open the tenders.

Mr. Ray Muller attended the meeting at 1:20 p.m. Mr. Muller mentioned that there was some question about a fine that had been levied on a certain hog barn. This fine had been charged in either 2002 or 2003. Mr. Muller discussed performance bonds and unsightly buildings with Council.

It was decided that Mr. Muller will meet with the Livestock Committee on August 19th, 2005 at 8:30 a.m. They will then make recommendations on all the performance bonds to Council. The C.A.O. was asked to check the minutes from 2002 and 2003 to see if there was any record of a fine having been paid.

Reeve Martens reported on the meeting that had been held with the Honourable Ron Lemieux and advised that we had received a good hearing. Mr. Martens also reported on the Devils Lake meeting that was held on August 9th, 2005.

Councillor Groening reported that there is still high interest in rural water. Councillor Groening also asked that the Valley Ag Society be removed from his committee listing.

Councillor Fraese reported that Sperling had raised \$25,000.00 for their cemetery project.

Councillor Kornelsen reported that the Rosenort C.C.D. had been approved for a government grant. The grant had not yet been received, which is why they had asked for an advance on the R.M. levy.

Marge Heinrichs attended the meeting at 2:30 p.m. and presented Council with a draft tourism brochure. This brochure gave brief descriptions of each community together with numerous pictures.

The C.A.O. was asked to obtain opinions from surrounding municipalities regarding the reporting program for social assistance.

The following correspondence was received:

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
A) Town of Morris	Extension of Water Lines into R.M. of Morris	Noted & file
B) MB Family Services	MOU	Noted & file
C) Byron Loewen	Performance Bond Refund	Noted & file

D) R.M. of Morris	Calculation of Max. Final Costs-Dykes	Noted & file
E) Thorsten Stanze	Subdivision request	Sec to reply
F) AMM	Meeting Notice	Noted & file
G) AMM	October Seminar	Noted & file
H) Triple R	Entrepreneur & Volunteer Appreciation	Noted & file
I) R.M. of La Broquerie	Inter-Municipal Golf Tournament	Noted & file
J) Municipality of Gimli	Devils Lake issue	Noted & file
K) R.M. of De Salaberry	Inter-municipal road slide at Vermette's	Noted & file

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
A) Town of Morris Council	Thank-you	Noted & file
B) BDO Dunwoody	Donations for Fire Departments	Noted & file
C) Bruce Gregory Law Office	Proposed Subdivision	Noted & file
D) Wilson & Neal	Plan of Rosenort Subdivision	Noted & file
E) MB Dept. of Transportation	Turning lanes for Rosenort Subdivision	Noted & file
F) MB Intergov. Affairs & Trade	Proposed Subdivision – Wiens	Noted & file
G) Regional Health Authority	Palliative Care Golf Tournament	Noted & file
H) Manitoba Justice	Lighting Equipment on Emerg. Vehicles	Noted & file
I) AMM	Resolutions Deadline	Noted & file

184/05 Sieg Neumann-Leo Korneisen
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris pay \$250.00 to Triple R for the volunteer appreciation evening.

Carr

185/05 Ralph Groening-Denis Robert
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the offer from the R.M. of De Salaberry to repair the joint road on a 50/50 basis.


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186/05 Denis Robert-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris donate \$250.00 to the Trucker's Appreciation Breakfast.

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The C.A.O. was asked to send a letter to the livestock haulers advising that they can park at Silver Plains or at McTavish and not on municipal roads. This letter should be addressed to Elite Swine with copies to Steve's Livestock. The C.A.O. was also asked to contact Mr. Glen Ritchie regarding disposal of dead animals.

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 4:30 p.m. to meet again on Friday, August 12, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.



Reeve



C.A.O.