

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held on Wednesday, December 14th, 2005 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.

254/05 Lionel Wiens-Denis Robert

Resolved that the agenda be adopted as distributed and may be amended.

Carried

Council then resolved into a variation board and held a hearing regarding Variation Order No. 4/2005. No persons appeared to be heard.

255/05 Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve Variation Order No. 4/2005 to allow the side yard of 2.62 feet on Lot 1, Block 3, Plan 15124 for Oliver Plett.

Carried

Council then held a hearing regarding By-law No. 1591/05 which involved rezoning of an industrial park area by Rosenort. No persons appeared to be heard.

256/05 Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese

Resolved that the minutes of the November 9, 2005 Council meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

257/05 Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening

Resolved that the minutes of the November 10, 2005 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

258/05 Leo Kornelsen-Denis Robert

Resolved that the minutes of the November 18, 2005 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

259/05 Sieg Neumann-Barry Fraese

Resolved that the minutes of the November 23, 2005 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

The CAO was requested to contact Manitoba Hydro regarding a breakdown of the \$51,000.00 cost for the Industrial Park servicing.

260/05 Lionel Wiens-Denis Robert

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the accounts from cheque numbers 1716 to 1969 totaling \$1,841,279.45 including \$1,633,022.40 for school taxes.

Carried

Mr. Dave Boles and Megan Hinkey attended the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Mr. Boles discussed three different concept plans for the Lowe Farm area with Council. Mr. Boles also agreed to sign the plans for the Lowe Farm Municipal Park extension and for the Industrial Park at Rosenort.

The CAO was asked to try to set up a public meeting in Lowe Farm to discuss the concept plans for the subdivision by the water plant. This meeting should be arranged for January 25th, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Mike Fernandes from the Manitoba Product Stewardship Council attended the meeting at 10:45 a.m. He advised Council that their program is structured to pay 80% of the net recycling costs. They have put a cap on cardboard recycling because of the availability of funds. The average recycling in Manitoba is 55 kg per person.

261/05 Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that By-law No. 1591/05 to rezone an industrial park be read a second time.

262/05 Ralph Groening-Denis Robert
Resolved that By-law No. 1591/05 to rezone an industrial park be read a third time and be passed.

Carried 7-0

Mr. Don Harder, the Public Works Foreman, attended the meeting at 11:30 a.m. He advised Council that there would be some provincial concerns about using the water pond as a lagoon cell because it is below prairie level. 25 miles of drainage have been done and the drainage crew has been shut down for the year. There are 11 miles of dirt left to spread and 60 miles have been completed. The R.M. of Morris is presently demonstrating P300 blades, which cost \$112.00 per 4-foot section. Mr. Harder recommended that Council agree to purchase these blades. All of the R.M. graders are presently out working and Alvin Wiebe will be trained on a grader. Under the rural water program, the R.M. has done 39 miles of trenching and Siemens has done 10.5. A total of 79 connections have been completed and the crew is presently drilling across the highway at Kane. The Lowe Farm Water Plant line will be installed on Friday. The pressure testing has been done and results are good. The R.M. is presently chlorinating the lines and are waiting for the results. There are 28 meters to install starting next week. Trenching has been finished for the year. Mr. Harder will give the trenching crew a holiday from Wednesday to Friday of next week with pay. Mr. Harder also reviewed the lay-offs with Council. In January, the Public Works department will advertise for a drill operator and a locator. The Industrial Park road has been completed. Mr. Harder discussed the wage increases with Council.

Council reviewed the entire financial statement and asked the CAO to check out the weed control expenses to determine whether this includes wages. The CAO was also asked to send a bill to the Lowe Farm Community Centre District for surveying, legal, and planning costs for the park extension.

263/05 Sieg Neumann-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that the November financial statement be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Reeve Martens advised that his registration would be paid for and he would be registered by the Red River Basin Commission for their conference.

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

264/05 Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris resolve into camera to discuss personnel issues.

Carried

265/05 Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris resolve into open session.

Carried

266/05 Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the recommendations of the Employee Relations Committee dated December 2nd, 2005.

Carried

The CAO was asked to check if the R.M. of Morris can levy for a CCD on an equal dollars per household basis. Councillor Groening asked Council to purchase an infrared photography for drainage purposes.

267/05 Sieg Neumann-Barry Fraese
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris donate \$250.00 to the Rosenort EMC Youth Group.

Carried

268/05 Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that By-law No. 1594/05, being a rural water debenture by-law, be read a second time.

Carried

269/05 Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese
Resolved that By-law No. 1594/05, being a rural water debenture by-law, be read a third time and passed.

Carried

270/05 Denis Robert-Lionel Wiens
Resolved that By-law No. 1593/05, being an Aubigny dyke debenture by-law, be read a second time.

Carried

271/05 Denis Robert-Sieg Neumann
Resolved that By-law No. 1593/05, being an Aubigny dyke debenture by-law, be read a third time and passed.

Carried

272/05 Ralph Groening-Barry Fraese
Resolved that By-law No. 1592/05, being a Rosenort dyke debenture by-law, be read a second time.

Carried

273/05 Sieg Neumann-Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that By-law No. 1592/05, being a Rosenort dyke debenture by-law, be read a third time and passed.

Carried

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 4:30 p.m.