

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006 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.

70/06           Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen  
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as distributed and may be amended.

Carried

Council decided that the CAO, together with Councillor Groening, would decide on which printer to be purchased.

71/06           Lionel Wiens-Barry Fraese  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris set a reserve bid of \$3,071.61 for tax sale parcel #1.

Carried

No persons appeared to be heard regarding conditional use application #1/2006, which had been called for 9:00 a.m.

72/06           Leo Kornelsen-Sieg Neumann  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve conditional use application #1/2006 for 2 residences for Frank Kroker.

Carried

73/06           Denis Robert-Barry Fraese  
Resolved that the minutes of the April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meetings commencing at 12:00 noon and 2:30 p.m. be adopted as distributed.

Carried

74/06           Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening  
Resolved that the minutes of the April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

75/06           Sieg Neumann-Barry Fraese  
Resolved that the minutes of the April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Council adjourned briefly at 10:00 a.m. to conduct the 2006 tax sale.

The tax sale was conducted by the municipal solicitor, being Mr. Bruce Gregory, and the auction was held by Mr. Wilfred Harder. One parcel of land was offered for sale and the reserve bid was not met.

Council held a hearing regarding By-law No. 1603/06 for a rural water debenture for the 2005 construction. No persons appeared to be heard.

76/06           Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris give first reading to By-law No. 1603/06, being a rural water debenture by-law.

Carried

77/06                   Sieg Neumann-Lionel Wiens  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris adopt the April financial statement as presented.  
  
Carried

Council held a hearing regarding a proposed subdivision in Lowe Farm. Proper notification had been given and no persons appeared to be heard.

78/06                   Lionel Wiens-Ralph Groening  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the 12 lot Lowe Farm subdivision.  
  
Carried

79/06                   Ralph Groening-Sieg Neumann  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris resolve into camera to discuss personnel.  
  
Carried

80/06                   Denis Robert-Lionel Wiens  
Resolved that the Council resolve back to open session.  
  
Carried

Council then reconvened at 10:45 a.m. Mr. Richard Vermette attended the meeting and requested that Council try to obtain 2 large culverts through PTH 75 immediately south of the Morris dyke. He presented Council with some pictures showing water gathering on the west side of PTH 75.

81/06                   Sieg Neumann-Ralph Groening  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris request the Department of Highways to install at least two 48-inch culverts across PTH 75 on the south side of the Morris dyke with at least one more 48-inch culvert across PTH 75 within 1.5 miles south and two more culverts crossing Road 21 North on the west side of the PTH 75 ditch.  
  
Carried

82/06                   Leo Kornelsen-Lionel Wiens  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris request disaster financial assistance for the 2006 spring flood due to severe damage to roadways and ditches.  
  
Carried

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 11:15 a.m. He advised Council that 3.5 miles of drainage has been done. He has also completed the shoulder work on the road south of PTH 23. There was extensive flood damage and all the flood sites are now marked on maps. The R.M. of Morris has been approved for Prairie Grain Roads for a \$100,000.00 project. This will improve the Riverside Road from the PR 330 to PR 422 for a total of 4 miles. The rural water crew started drilling the last week in April. They are also hauling straw and debris off the roads and out of ditches. Spring clean up will have to be done after the May long weekend.

Mr. Glen Asselstine attended the meeting at 11:45 a.m. He brought greetings to Council from Caterpillar.

83/06                   Lionel Wiens-Leo Kornelsen  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris hire Scott Siemens and Kevin Lamotte for the public works department.  
  
Carried

Councillor Wiens reported that he had met with the public works staff and Sheryl Feller. He also reported that the Lowe Farm Park has awarded the mowing tender.

The CAO was requested to change the Pembina Valley Tourism Committee to Tourism and to record Valley Agricultural Society under Councillor Robert’s committee reports.

The CAO was also asked to send a thank-you letter to the library for the luncheon, plus a \$100.00 donation.

84/06                   Sieg Neumann-Lionel Wiens  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the accounts from cheques 2006553-20060751, totaling \$248,352.48.

Carried

85/06                   Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris amend the zoning by-law to change the minimum property size in the RR zone to ½ with a minimum front yard of 30 feet and side and rear yards of 5 feet with a site width of 100 feet minimum.

Carried

The CAO was asked to arrange a meeting with a certain developer to look at lots in Aubigny.

Councillor Neumann had to leave the meeting due to a prior commitment.

The CAO was asked to obtain price estimates for a driveway and a sewer and water connection in Lowe Farm. Council discussed a proposed new development and decided that they would put the cost of the land, plus the cost of sewer and water and a driveway, onto a debenture to be recovered from one piece of property. It would be Council’s intention to forgive the first three years of payments based on construction of a new commercial enterprise.

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
A) Boyne Septic Service	Septic Tender	See resolution
B) Brown’s Septic Service	Septic Tender	See resolution
C) Marj Heinrichs	Dog running at large	Noted & filed
D) Town of Morris	BBQ invitation	Noted & filed
E) Valley Ag	MB Stampede	Approved
F) Town of Morris	Handivan	Noted & filed
G) DGH Engineering	John Nickel-Border Genetics	See resolution
H) Regional Health Authority	Cancer Control	Noted & filed
I) R.M. of Morris	Notes re: Garry Kleinsasser	Noted & filed
J) John Derksen	Dog catching	Noted & filed
K) DGH Engineering	John Nickel-Border Genetics	Noted & filed
L) Sequoia Energy	Newsletter	Noted & filed
M) Canada-MB Infrastructure	News Release	Noted & filed
N) MTS	Municipal Rights-of-Way application	Noted & filed
O) MB EMO	Disaster Financial Assistance	Noted & filed

86/06                   Leo Kornelsen-Barry Fraese  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the septic cleaning tenders as follows:  
Brown’s Septic Service - Lowe Farm and Sperling at \$48.00  
Ray’s Septic Service - Rosenort at \$50.00

Carried

87/06 Lionel Wiens-Denis Robert  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the application from DGH Engineering for John Nickel on the understanding that there will be no increase in the number of animal units on the condition that spreading agreements are signed by the landowners.

Carried

88/06 Lionel Wiens-Barry Fraese  
Resolved that the dogcatcher be paid \$95.00 per dog caught, effective May 1, 2006.

Carried

89/06 Denis Robert-Lionel Wiens  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris authorize MTS easement agreements #90429/9045777 on the condition that all lines be buried at least 1 meter deep.

Carried

90/06 Ralph Groening-Leo Kornelsen  
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the tenders from Arlin Froese and Frank Reimer on the condition that each clean up the debris in their area left by the flood.

Carried

Council then adjourned at 4:40 p.m., to meet again at the call of the Reeve.

Reeve

CAO

