

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a special meeting of the council of the RM of Morris held on Monday January 4th, 2010 commencing at 7:30 p.m. in the Sperling Community Centre. Reeve Herm Martens and Councillors Ralph Groening, Leo Kornelsen, Sieg Neumann and Denis Robert were present with Reeve Herm Martens in the chair. Twenty eight local residents attended this meeting. This meeting had been called by Reeve Martens to receive input from the Sperling Community regarding extending the sewer lines North of the railway tracks.

Reeve Martens opened the meeting and advised that the purpose was to discuss hooking up residents and businesses North of the railway to the sewer system. The Province of Manitoba is looking at upgrading requirements for both ejectors and fields. The ejectors will be outlawed and will have to be removed anytime a property is sold. Fields will require a minimum of a two acre yard site. Reeve Marten reported that the RM of Morris has done some preliminary estimates, and based on 11 hook ups, the price would be between \$3,500.00 to \$4,000.00. Reeve Martens advised that the South side of Sperling has had sewer for a number of years. He asked how the cost should be broken down for the existing lagoon. This lagoon was installed by residents South of the track. The estimated cost was approximately \$200,000.00, and funding from other levels accounted for about 2/3 of this cost. The net cost of \$70,000.00 was being paid on a twenty year debenture by residents South of the railway tracks. Reeve Martens also reported that the cost to put in a sewer line is approximately \$10.00 per foot.

There was a notation made that the people owning a building on the West side of Sperling should have been invited to the meeting.

Any persons North of the railway tracks that are interested in hooking up to the sewer lines will require a two compartment septic tank in good condition and a pump.

It was moved and seconded by two individual homeowners South of the tracks that they would not charge any monies to those people living North of the tracks for the use of the lagoon. They were volunteering this use at no charge.

There were eight properties represented from North of the railway track. Six of these were in favor and two persons that were not present had sent word that they were in favor of having a sewer access. One household was not in favor due to the cost and felt that they could not afford it. One other household was undecided on whether or not they would want the sewer hook up.

The CAO was requested to get numbers together and see what could be done. Council will come back to Sperling for a legal hearing once the by-law is drafted. At that time the RM of Morris will have detailed costs and a detailed proposal for the residents.

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 8:30 p.m. to meet again on January 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Reeve.



REEVE



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