Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday, June 11th, 2014, commencing at 9:15 a.m. in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Deputy Reeve Stan Siemens, Barry Fraese, Margaret Gluck, Denis Robert, Brad Coulombe and Mervin Dueck were present with Deputy Reeve Siemens in the chair. CAO Larry Driedger and Recording Secretary Julie Snarr were also present at the meeting. Reeve Ralph Groening was not in attendance due to his AMM commitments.

**Call to Order:**

**122/14 Margaret Gluck - Mervin Dueck**

Resolved that the June 11th, 2014 Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

1. **Council Minutes:**
   1. **May 14, 2014, Council Minutes**

**123/14 Brad Coulombe – Mervin Dueck**

Resolved that the minutes of a meeting that was held on May 14th, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

* 1. **May 28th, 2014, Special Meeting- Council Minutes**

**124/14 Barry Fraese – Denis Robert**

Resolved that the minutes of a special meeting that was held on May 28th, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

1. **Finance/Personnel:**

*(2.1)* **Cheque Listing**

**125/14 Margaret Gluck – Barry Fraese**

Resolved that the Rural Municipality of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque numbers 201400622 to 201400768 totalling $384,838.76.

Carried.

*(2.2)* **2013 Financial Statement – January to May 2014**

**126/14 Denis Robert – Mervin Dueck**

Resolved that the RM of Morris Council adopt the Financial Statements from January to May 2014.

Carried.

*(2.3)* **Outstanding Utility Account Transfer to Taxes**

**127/14 Barry Fraese – Margaret Gluck**

Resolved that the RM of Morris transfer the outstanding utility accounts as per attached, to taxes as arrears.

Carried.

*(2.4)* **Tax Adjustment – Roll 277650**

**128/14 Brad Coulombe – Denis Robert**

Resolved that the RM of Morris adjust the taxes for roll number 277650 in the amount of $27.42.

Carried.

1. **Committee & Reports:**

(3.1) Reeve’s Report

(3.2) MASS Report

(3.3) Committee of the Whole Minutes – May 28

1. **Action Correspondence:**

(4.1) **Dekalb Request for Rosenort Arena**

**129/14 Denis Robert – Barry Fraese**

Be it Resolved that the RM of Morris grant $2,000.00, to the Morris Curling Club, to support the 2014 Dekalb Curling Event under the condition that the Dekalb Organizing Committee utilize the Rosenort Arena for some of the curling events as proposed in Lorne Hamblin’s request.

Carried.

(4.2) **Lowe Farm Lagoon Expansion**

**130/14 Mervin Dueck – Margaret Gluck**

Whereas the Lowe Farm Lagoon is in need of an upgrade;

And Whereas AECOM has prepared some very preliminary cost estimates;

And Whereas AECOM’s cost estimates predict the current cost of upgrade to be in excess of $935,000 plus applicable taxes;

And Whereas AECOM’s cost estimates do not include the potential land purchase that will be required;

Be It Resolved that we apply to the Manitoba Water Services Board for funding to upgrade the Lowe Farm Lagoon at a potential 2014 Estimates cost of $1,200,000.00.

Carried.

(4.3) **Lowe Farm Solstice Donation**

**131/14 Margaret Gluck – Denis Robert**

Resolved that the RM of Morris donate $250.00 to the Lowe Farm Summer Solstice Festival Committee being held on June 21st, 2014.

Carried.

1. **Delegations:**

(5.1)  **11:30am**: Public Works Manager, Don Harder’s report. Here are a few items discussed:

**Drainage**

* 5 ½ miles completed

**Roads**

* Dust control should be completed as of June 11
* Roadside mowing has begun.

**Urban Centres**

* Set schedule for mowing.
* Lowe Farm Cemetery will also be on list.

**Water Works**

* Siemens Plumbing currently hooking up sewer services in Riverside.
* 5 new lots to service with sewer and water.
* 3 new quotes for rural water hook-ups.

**Other:**

* Culverts: currently working on requests.
* School Zone signs arriving soon. Electronic speed calming signs have arrived.
* Reliable Tire for tire pick-up: June 25 Rosenort Landfill & June 26 Lowe Farm Landfill.

(5.2) **1:30pm:** Building Inspector, Ed Penner’s presented Council with his monthly report.

1. **By-Laws:**

(6.1)  **By-Law 1704/14 Fire Prevention & Emergency- Second Reading**

**132/14 Brad Coulombe – Margaret Gluck**

Resolved that the RM of Morris give second reading to By-Law 1704/14 being a Fire Prevention and Emergency Services By-Law.

Carried.

1. **Other Business:**

Council reviewed the following items:

(7.1) Website Analytics

(7.2) Event Calendar

(7.3) Fire Fighter Appreciation Pic Nic June 14th, 2014 discussion.

1. **Information Package:**

Council received the following correspondence as information.

**Correspondence Subject\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(8.1) Utililty Rates Operational and Rates for Meter Installation Discussion

(8.2) Seniors and Healthy Nominations

Aging Secretariat

(8.3) Morris Library Lunch invite June 11, 2014

(8.4) Ecole Regional St-Jean Baptiste Thank you

(8.5) MB Tourism Nominations

1. **Adjournment Resolution:**

**133/14 Mervin Dueck – Barry Fraese**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 1:45 p.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on Wednesday, July 9th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

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