



Rural Municipality of Morris

Amendment to Local Improvement Plan 2015-01 (Lowe Farm Lagoon Expansion)

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Sections 169 and 318 of The Municipal Act that the Council for the Rural Municipality of Morris has scheduled a **public hearing in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Morris located at 207 Main Street North, Morris, Manitoba, on the 21st day of March, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.** Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a representation, ask questions or register an objection to the following amendment to the local improvement plan.

SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

The **Local Improvement Plan No. 2015-01** provided for the construction of the Lowe Farm Lagoon Expansion at total cost of \$1,600,000.00 to be funded by Federal and Provincial grants in the amount of \$960,000.00 and Rural Municipality of Morris borrowing of \$640,000.00. The Municipality received authority to borrow \$640,000.00 with \$376,000.00 to be recovered from the Lowe Farm properties and \$264,000.00 from the whole municipality (Municipal subsidy policy based on precedent). The Lowe Farm allocation included the cost of land (20 acres) purchase of \$160,000.00

Construction costs were lower than expected and the total amount to be borrowed is now \$409,000.00. It has been determined that only 50% (10 acres) of the land was used for this project. Council is proposing to only allocate 50% of the total land purchase cost to Lowe Farm area and re-allocated 50% to the whole municipality thereby increasing the borrowing amount on the whole municipality by \$80,000.00 from \$264,000.00 to \$344,000.00. Lowe farm properties will cover the balance of \$65,000.00.

Based on a 15 year borrowing and the 2018 municipal assessment, this will increase the mill rate by 0.019. The effect that it will have on a property with a market value assessment of \$250,000 is shown below:

	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Portioning Factor</u>	<u>Portioned Assessment</u>	<u>Mill Rate</u>	<u>Additional Tax Levy</u>
Residential	250,000	0.45	112,500	0.019	\$ 2.14
Farmland	250,000	0.26	65,000	0.019	\$ 1.24
Commercial	250,000	0.65	162,500	0.019	\$ 3.09

Potential taxpayers wishing to object to the local improvement plan may file a notice of objection, by mail or in person, with the Chief Administrative Officer, at the Administration Office located at 207 Main Street North, Morris, Manitoba by March 21st, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must contain the name and address of the person filing the objection, identify the property in respect of which the objection is filed and state the grounds of the objection.

Copies of By-law 1730/2018 which amends By-law 1715/2015 are available for review on the Rural Municipality of Morris website at www.rmofmorris.com or may be examined in person by any potential taxpayer during regular office hours (8:30 A.M. 12:00 Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday to Friday) of the Rural Municipality of Morris Administration Offices located at 207 Main Street North in Morris, Manitoba.

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 February 8, 2018