



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting of Council October 9, 2018 - 9:00 a.m.

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018, commencing at 9:00 a.m., in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Reeve, Ralph Groening and Councillors Stan Siemens, Mervin Dueck, Rick Giesbrecht, Denis Robert, Barry Fraese and Michael Toews, were present, with Reeve Groening in the Chair. CAO, Larry Driedger, Public Works Manager, Don Harder, Building Inspector/Fire Chief, Trevor Dackow, and Recording Officer, Kimberley Robert, were also present at the meeting.

1 Agenda

1.1 Agenda Additions

- In Camera Items

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

2018-175

Barry Fraese

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the October 9, 2018, Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Council Minutes

2.1 Business Arising From Previous Minutes

There was no business arising from the previous Minutes.

2.2 Previous Council Minutes - September 12, 2018

2018-176

Mervin Dueck

Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on September 12, 2018, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2.3 Previous Council Minutes - September 26, 2018

2018-177

Rick Giesbrecht

Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a special meeting that was held on September 26, 2018, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3 Finance/Personnel

3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings

2018-178

Mervin Dueck

Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 201801570 to 201801730 totalling \$576,510.81.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented.

CARRIED

3.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - September 2018

2018-179

Michael Toews

Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the September 2018, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

3.3 Miscellaneous Posting to Property Tax Accounts

2018-180

Mervin Dueck

Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adjust the following Property Tax Accounts:

Roll Number	Description	Amount
28400	Tax Sale Costs	\$358.00
139450	Tax Sale Costs	\$304.00

CARRIED

4 Public Hearings

None.

5 Delegations

None.

6 Action Correspondence

6.1 Municipal Road and Bridge Program

2018-181

Rick Giesbrecht

Stan Siemens

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has made \$2.25 million available to municipalities in 2018 for the final year of the Municipal Road and Bridge Program; and

WHEREAS \$14 million was available to municipalities in 2017 through the Municipal Road and Bridge Program; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Road and Bridge Program was developed in partnership with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) and provides 50/50 cost-shared funding for municipal road and bridge projects through a single-window application intake with no red tape; and

WHEREAS Manitoba municipalities regard the Municipal Road and Bridge Program as critical, predictable, and effective for budgeting and planning purposes in order to address their infrastructure deficit; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has announced it will terminate the Municipal Road and Bridge Program by reallocating these funds into the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Road and Bridge program allows municipalities to use Gas Tax revenues for their matching dollars while the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program does not, which puts an even greater burden on property taxes;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to not proceed with plans to transition the Municipal Road and Bridge Program into Phase 2 of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP2) and fully reinstate the former funding levels for this essential program.

CARRIED

6.2 E911/Police Emergency Communications - 911 Services Agreement

2018-182

Mervin Dueck

Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris enter into the 911 Services Agreement with The City of Brandon, as presented.

CARRIED

7 Reports

7.1 Reeve Report

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve Report.

7.2 Public Works Manager Report

Drainage:

- 23 ½ miles done, 3 miles on Burnett drain and 3 miles on Lewis drain left to clean-out.

Roads:

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- Some dirt roads to grade after dry weather or frost;
- Roadside mowing is 85% done.

Various:

- Dirt piles in Lowe Farm Industrial Park to level;
- Ditch maintenance to do on Industrial Drive;
- Dirt Pro to raise small portion of dirt road at 110 drain and Tobacco drain, approximately \$2,000.00;
- Storm sewer to start October 15th;
- Recycle bins arrived October 1st. One at each landfill, and three rural, Sewell, Aubigny and Sperling.

Waterworks:

- Flushed some waterlines south of PTH 23;
- Hydrant flushing and pumped out;
- Morris standpipe is now closed.

Additions:

- At this time, work has stopped in the Burnett and Lewis drains. There are 3 miles left to complete;
- Dirt Pro will be working on the dirt road at 110 drain and Tobacco drain this season;
- Public Works Manager, Don Harder, will verify if an additional recycling bin at the Lowe Farm landfill is required.

7.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report

The RM of Morris reviewed the Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report.

Mr. Dackow advised Council that along with the Emergency Measures Coordinator, they will be running an exercise in Sperling this upcoming week, which includes a mock train derailment with an evacuation. Members from Rosenort and Lowe Farm fire halls will be attending as well.

Mr. Dackow also reported that he anticipates providing a number of concrete inspections in the upcoming weeks.

Some examples of signage for the RM of Morris fire hall in Rosenort were provided for Council to consider. Mr. Dackow will speak with all three departments for their input and report to the CAO.

7.4 Building Permit Value Report

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Permit Value Report.

8 Information

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the following information.

8.1 Valley Regional Library Meeting Minutes - September 24, 2018

The RM of Morris Council inquired if the mobile library would be able to extend their service

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to other areas in the RM of Morris. The CAO was directed to contact Ms. Claudia Schmidt from the Valley Regional Library, to determine the possibility.

- 8.2 Rosenort Recreation Centre Board Meeting Minutes - October 1, 2018**
- 8.3 Red River Valley School Division Board Meeting Minutes - September 10, 2018**
- 8.4 Prairie Rose School Division Meeting Minutes & Highlights - September 10, 2018, September 24, 2018**
- 8.5 Morris District Hand-Van Service Financial Statements - January Through September 2018 & Meeting Minutes - September 25, 2018**
- 8.6 Morris Area Senior Services Board Meeting Minutes - August 30, 2018 & Income Statement - April 1 - September 30, 2018**
- 8.7 AMM Municipal Insurance Program; Self-Insurance Loss Pool Refund**
- 8.8 Royal Canadian Mounted Police - AMM Annual Convention - RCMP Meeting**
- 8.9 Manitoba Municipal Relations - AMM Annual Convention - Cabinet Ministers Meeting**
- 8.10 Lowe Farm Recreation Board - Sponsorship Thank You Correspondence**
- 8.11 Morris School - Sponsorship Request-Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball**
The RM of Morris Council will grant \$200.00, as per policy.
- 8.12 Canada Post Community Foundation - Donation Request**
- 8.13 Red River Basin Commission - 5th Annual Gala Dinner - December 6, 2018**
- 8.14 Community Futures Manitoba - EDP Update**
- 8.15 Community & Regional Planning - Certificate of Approval - File No. 4152-18-7747 - Duane & Arlene Rempel - S 1/2 of Se 1/4 and Pt. S 1/2 of SW 1/4 2-6-1W**
- 9 By-law Enforcement**
The RM of Morris Council reviewed the By-law Enforcement Reports.
- 9.1 Order issued - Garbage, Long Grass & Noxious Weeds - Corrected - Roll No. 280600**
- 9.2 Order Issued - Garbage, Derelict Vehicles, Long Grass & Weeds - Corrected - Roll No. 280800**
- 10 Other Business**
- 10.1 OE987 Operating Engineers Collective Agreement Tabled Resolution No. 2018-173**
2018-183
Rick Giesbrecht
Denis Robert

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 2018-173 be removed from the table in

order to address the matter.

CARRIED

10.2 OE987 Operating Engineers Collective Agreement

2018-173

Michael Toews

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the Union Agreement as presented.

CARRIED

10.3 Reeve Ralph Groening - Support for Bid to Seek Election as President for the Association of Manitoba Municipalities

2018-184

Stan Siemens

Denis Robert

WHEREAS Reeve, Ralph Groening, has been serving as one of the Vice-Presidents of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM);

AND WHEREAS the current President of the AMM will not be seeking re-election;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the RM of Morris encourages and supports Reeve, Ralph Groening, in his bid for the Presidency of the AMM;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Morris nominate, support and encourage Reeve, Ralph Groening, to run for the President position on the Board of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

CARRIED

10.4 Inaugural Meeting - November 1, 2018 - Discussion

The RM of Morris Council will determine which pastor to contact to attend the Inaugural Meeting on November 1, 2018, and will advise the CAO to make arrangements.

10.5 In Camera

2018-185

Stan Siemens

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council go in-camera to discuss a personnel issue.

CARRIED

10.6 Open Meeting

2018-186

Stan Siemens

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council go back into open meeting.

CARRIED

10.7 Non-Unionized Staff 2019 Rate Increase

2018-187

Denis Robert

Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approves the rate increase for non-unionized staff by 2.5% for a one year term effective January 1, 2019.

CARRIED

11 Adjournment

2018-188

Mervin Dueck

Stan Siemens

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:40 a.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on November 14, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer