



**Rural Municipality of Morris**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Council Meeting January 8, 2020 - 09:00 AM**

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on January 8, 2020, commencing at 9:00 a.m., in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Reeve Ralph Groening, and Councillors Rick Giesbrecht, Mervin Dueck, Barry Fraese, Stan Siemens, and Scott Siemens, were present, with Reeve Groening in the Chair. CAO, Larry Driedger, Recording Officer, Kimberley Robert and Public Works Manager, Paul Robert, were also present at the meeting.

Councillor, Shane Kroeker, sent his regrets.

**1 Agenda**

**1.1 Agenda Additions**

**1.2 Adoption of Agenda**

2020-001

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the January 8, 2020, Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2 Council Minutes**

**2.1 Business Arising From Previous Minutes: None**

**2.2 Previous Council Minutes - December 11, 2019**

2020-002

Mervin Dueck

Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on December 11, 2019, be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3 Finance/Personnel**

**3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings**

2020-003

Mervin Dueck

Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 201901923 to 201902117 totalling \$345,257.54.

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

**CARRIED**

**4 Public Hearings: None**

**5 Delegations: None**

**6 Action Correspondence: None**

**7 Reports**

**7.1 Reeve Report**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve Report.

**7.2 Building Permit Value Report & 2019 Building Permit Listing - Administration**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Permit Value Report and the 2019 Building Permit Listing.

**7.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report**

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

**7.4 Public Works Manager Report**

**Various:**

- Steel scrap hauling will happen the week of January 6th from both landfills and the RM yard;
- On December 24th, noon, PR246 re-opened to local traffic;
- The Rosenort landfill crawler will need new track links.

**Utilities:**

- On December 24th there was a water leak repaired at 31140 Meridian Road;
- On December 31st there was a water leak repaired at 10081 Road 35NW.

**Shop:**

- The Rosenort dock will be rebuilt/repared;
- Working on the new truck;
- Equipment maintenance;
- Will be building 10 benches.

**Additions:**

- The road slides that have been repaired are holding up for now. The Public Works Manager advised they may use geotextile fabric in the spring, to help prevent future slides.

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**7.5 Council Action Report**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Council Action Report.

**8 Information**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the following information.

**8.1 Valley Regional Library Meeting Minutes - December 2, 2019**

**8.2 Rosenort Chamber Minutes - December 23, 2019**

**8.3 Valley Agricultural Society Board of Directors Meeting - November 21, 2019**

**8.4 Valley Agricultural Society - 2020 Partnership Opportunities**

The CAO was directed to contact the Valley Agricultural Society to review some options for partnership opportunities.

**8.5 Prairie Rose School Division Board Meeting Highlights - December 16, 2019, Pulse Edition - December 12, 2019, Superintendent Greetings**

**8.6 Red River Valley School Division Board Meeting Minutes - November 4, 2019**

**8.7 Manitoba Municipal Relations - File No. 4152-19-7919, Darrell Bruce Penner & Margaretha Penner - Conditional Approval**

**8.8 Manitoba Infrastructure - Proposed Sidewalk Approval, Riverside Road - Red River Valley School Division**

The CAO was directed to contact Manitoba Infrastructure regarding lights for the crosswalk.

**8.9 Manitoba OmbudsNews**

**8.10 Rural Municipality of Macdonald By-law No. 15/19 - Hearing - January 28, 2020**

**8.11 Ronald McDonald House Charities - Support Request**

**8.12 Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba - 2020 Municipal Payments**

**8.13 Manitoba Good Roads 2019 Competition Winners**

**8.14 Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Drought Monitoring Report - December**

**9 Other Business**

**9.1 Tax Sale Year Designation**

2020-004

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

WHEREAS Section 365(2) of The Municipal Act provides that Council may in any year designate the immediately preceding year, or any earlier year, as the year for which properties, the taxes in respect of which are in arrears for the year, must be offered for sale

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by auction to recover the tax arrears and costs;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Designated Year for which properties in arrears be offered for sale by auction, be 2019 (meaning all properties with outstanding taxes from the year 2018 and prior); and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in accordance with s. 363(1) of the Municipal Act, "costs" shall be the actual costs incurred by the municipality for each parcel listed for the tax sale.

**CARRIED**

**9.2 Development Agreement - The Rural Municipality of Morris and Joseph Ashley Friesen & Brooke Allison Friesen**

2020-005

Mervin Dueck  
Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the Development Agreement between the Rural Municipality of Morris and Joseph Ashley Friesen and Brooke Allison Friesen, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.3 MSTW Planning District Agreement - Effective Until December 31, 2021**

2020-006

Barry Fraese  
Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the agreement for Part 3 Building & Plumbing Permits & Inspections between the RM of Morris and MSTW Planning District, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.4 Manitoba Infrastructure - Culvert Replacement Approval**

2020-007

Rick Giesbrecht  
Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the replacement of culverts by Manitoba Infrastructure on PR246 from PTH23 to PR200, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.5 Manitoba Infrastructure - 2020 PTH75 Northbound Reconstruction Support**

2020-008

Barry Fraese  
Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council support Manitoba Infrastructure's PTH75 Northbound Reconstruction 2020 project, as presented.

**CARRIED**

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**10 Adjournment  
2020-009**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 10:50 a.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on February 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

**CARRIED**

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer

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