

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Monday December 18th, 2006 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Kornelsen, Neumann, Robert and Siemens were present with Reeve Martens in the chair. This meeting had been called by Reeve Martens to finish up business that was left over from the previous meeting. Councillor Wiens was unable to attend due to a work commitment.

Councillors Doug Dobrowolski and Cynthia Bisson from the Rural Municipality of Macdonald attended the meeting at 9:00 a.m. They discussed the Roberts-McTavish drain with Council. The R.M. of Macdonald would be interested in diverting some water north of Rosenort and running straight east to the Red River. They are not interested in taking all the water in the Morris River but would just like to take off the top. The R.M. of Morris has no objections to this program. The R.M. of Macdonald will take the lead role and the R.M. of Morris will provide support when they approach the Province of Manitoba.

Councillor Neumann, the Chairman of Finance discussed that if anyone is to go to a conference or go as a delegation that the R.M. needs to have a resolution before they leave.

232/06 Sieg Neumann – Denis Robert
Resolved that checks 2043 to 2119 totalling \$49,834.95 be approved.

Carried

Ms Evelyn Holley and Khawja Latif from the Planning Branch, Mr. Tim Friesen for the Department of Agriculture, and Jack and Shirley Fehr attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. The R.M. of Morris was considering a subdivision application presented by Mr. Fehr. The Municipal Planning Branch does not have any objection to this subdivision but the Department of Agriculture does. Mr. Fehr wishes to put up two bins that would be on a separate yard site. This yard site would have the advantage of Highway access and would be in the centre of the land that Mr. Fehr farms. Evelyn Holey advised that she had sent a report and that her department does not have a problem. Mr. Tim Friesen from the Department of Agriculture advised that agriculture would drop their objection if Council decided to proceed. This subdivision is very unusual because it is for grain bins. This is the first subdivision for farm purposes that Mr. Friesen has seen in over 2500 applications. Mr. Friesen believes that the R.M. should differentiate between accessory and commercial. His main concern is that this could establish a precedent. Mr. Friesen advised that this could also apply for hay or straw stacks as well as grain bins.

Jack Fehr advised that he would like to have electricity on this site but does not need any water or sewer. The bins would hold 55,000 bushels each. Evelyn Holey sees this as a conditional use and Tim Friesen is concerned about the possibility of a precedent. Mr. Jack Fehr would be okay with being restricted to Centrifugal fans for drying.

233/06 Leo Kornelsen – Stan Siemens
Resolved that the application for subdivision #4152-06-5020 be approved with no conditions.

In favor: Reeve Herm Martens and Councillors Ralph Groening, Leo Kornelsen, Sieg Neumann, Denis Robert, Stan Siemens, Lionel Wiens

For 4
Opposed 2

Carried

The CAO was asked to distribute copies of the draft land site guidelines to all committee members and to obtain estimates from engineering firms.

The following Correspondence was received:

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
6A) Glenn Ritchie	MB Conservation	Noted & Filed
6B) Tax Payer	Property Taxes	CAO to reply
6C) Tax Payer	Land re-zoned	Sec to reply
6D) Glenn Ritchie	Waste Disposal & Draft Guidelines	Noted & Filed
6E) R.M. of Morris	Marketing Strategy Questions	Noted & Filed
6F) MuniWare	Price Increased & Agreement	Noted & Filed
6G) RHA	Medical First Response Agreement	Noted & Filed

6H) Altona Chamber of Commerce	PR 332 Workshop	Noted & Filed Noted & Filed
6I) AMM	MTS Right-of-Way Application	Noted & Filed
6J) HED	AMM Convention	Noted & Filed
6K) Intergov. Affaires Action Correspondence Continued	Flood Seminar 2007	Noted & Filed
6L) U of M	Course	Noted & Filed
6M) Evelyn Holley	Subdivision	Noted & Filed
6N) Intergov. Affaires	Training Offered	Noted & Filed
6O) Rural Leadership Specialist	Survey	Noted & Filed
6P) MB Habitat Heritage Corp.	Caveat	Noted & Filed

The CAO was asked to set up focus groups with LUD of Rosenort and with Ilija Dragojevic.

234/06 Ralph Groening – Denis Robert
Resolved that the Reeve and CAO be authorized to sign the Muniware agreement.

Carried

235/06 Leo Kornelsen – Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and the CAO be authorized to attend the Altona Chamber meeting if the date is changed from January 10th, 2007.

Carried

236/06 Stan Siemens – Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the right of way agreement with MTS.

Carried

Councillor Robert had to leave the meeting at 2:00 p.m. do to a prior commitment.

The CAO was asked to obtain quotations for laptops.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

REEVE

CAO