

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday May 9th, 2007 commencing at 9:00a.m. Reeve Martens, and Councillors Groening, Kornelsen, Neumann, Robert, Siemens and Wiens were present with Reeve Martens in the Chair.

089/07 Leo Kornelsen – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the Agenda be adopted as presented and may be amended.

Carried

Council held a hearing at 9:00 a.m. regarding bylaw # 1615 which is a by law authorizing debenture borrowing for a new Public Works garage. No persons appeared to be heard.

090/07 Sieg Neumann – Denis Robert

Resolved that By Law Number 1615-07 be read a first time to authorize the expenditure and borrowing of money for construction of a new Rural Municipality Public Works shop as a local improvement.

Carried

091/07 Ralph Groening – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the minutes of the April 4th, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

The CAO was asked to try and arrange for a trip to St. Leon after seeding is finished.

Councillor Kornelsen had to leave the meeting at 9:30 a.m. due to a medical appointment.

092/07 Lionel Wiens – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the minutes of the April 11th, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

093/07 Ralph Groening – Stan Siemens

Resolved that the minutes of the April 13th, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

094/07 Sieg Neumann – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the minutes of the April 18th, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

095/07 Stan Siemens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve Variation 3/2007 to reduce the minimum required site from 40 to 34 acres in the AR – Agriculture Restricted Zone, being River Lot 490 and 492.

Carried

Council reviewed the checks that had been prepared and instructed the CAO to hold cheque number 2007510 and also to redistribute check number 2007524.

096/07 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the R.M of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque number's 2007049 to 20070543 totalling \$290,706.53.

Carried

097/07 Lionel Wiens – Stan Siemens

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris adopt the March and April financial statement as distributed.

Carried

Council reviewed their agenda on their notebooks and asked if in the future the council packages could be combined for download. Council would like to see the agenda's have page numbers for each tab.

The CAO was asked to change the minutes for the landfill meeting to reflect that there was anticipated extra cost of \$7200.00 for digging a new hole at the landfill. This would end up being shared 50/50 with the Town of Morris.

Reeve Martens reported that there is a proposal to hire an economical development officer that would be shared with 1/3 for the RM, 1/3 for the Town, and 1/3 by Triple R. This is not a final proposal.

The CAO was asked to check and confirm with all of the nine customers for rural water for 2007 to make sure that everyone is still prepared to proceed.

Councillor Wiens reported that the protection committee had met with the Sperling Fire Department and that all Fire Departments should have budget figures available as soon as possible. Councillor Wiens also reported that the Personnel Services Committee will be meeting with the CAO and Foreman to review goals and progress year to date. Councillor Wiens also reported that the work place health committee will have to become more formalized.

Mr. Don Harder the Public Works Foreman attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He presented Council with his report for the previous month, and also discussed a certain invoice with Council.

098/07 Stan Siemens – Denis Robert

Resolved that the RM of Morris order traffic signs from Guardian Traffic Services, this being the lowest price received with the posts being ordered from Brunswick Steel.

Carried

The CAO was asked to contact the sign company and advise that the RM would like a space for any numbers that are more than 3 digits in length. The CAO was asked to amend the subdivision application for the Public Works garage to create two separate lots each being rectangular and both to be owned by the RM of Morris.

099/07 Ralph Groening – Denis Robert

Resolved that the RM of Morris purchase a used quad for \$6,500 or less.

Carried

Mr. Brian Osborne attended the meeting at 1:20 p.m. He discussed the Tobacco Creek model water shed with council, and advised that the water shed is planning to proceed. He is asking for a \$1,000 membership and this has already been approved by the RM of Lorne and Roland. He has already met with the RM of Thompson and will be meeting with the RM of Dufferin.

Councillor Siemens had to leave the meeting due to a work commitment.

100/07 Sieg Neumann – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the RM of Morris buy a \$1,000 membership in the Tobacco Creek Model Watershed for 2007.

Carried

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
6A) Herm Marten	Cairn	Referred to Reeve
6B) Ernest Buhler	Fire Services	Referred to Protection
6C) Pak-Man Disposal	Recycling Tender	Next meeting
6D) Sperling Arena	Taxes	See resolution
6E) CAO	Property	Noted & Filed
6F) MB Intergov. Affairs	Proposed Subdivision	See resolution
6G) Erika Rempel	AMM Resolutions	Noted & Filed
6H) AMM	June District Meetings	Noted & Filed
6I) Barnes & Duncan	Quotation for Subdivision	Noted & Filed
6J) Boundary Trails	Health Care Foundation	Noted & Filed
6K) Rosenort Rec. Committee	Relocating Tennis Courts	Noted & Filed
6L) Morris School	Financial Support	Noted & Filed
6M) BDO	Audit Complete for 2006	Noted & Filed

Action Correspondence Cont.

6N) MTS	Right of Way	Noted & Filed
6O) Morris Fire & Rescue	Partnership	Noted & Filed
6P) MB Farm Women's Conf.	Sponsorship	Noted & Filed
6Q) MB Habitat Heritage Corp.	Caveat	Noted & Filed

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
7A) MB Infrastructure & Transp.	Long Term Capital Plan	Noted & Filed
7B) MB Conservation	Pembina Valley Cooperative	Noted & Filed
7C) Rosenort Chamber	Summer Festival Business Expo	Noted & Filed
7D) Bruce D. Gregory	Low Farm Subdivision	Noted & Filed
7E) Minister of Health	L.F. Low Pressure Sewer Ext.	Noted & Filed
7F) EMO	Final Payment	Noted & Filed
7G) HED	Insurance Program	Noted & Filed
7H) MB Highways	Proposed Access Relocating	Noted & Filed
7I) Community Planning	Proposed Subdivision	Noted & Filed
7J) Community Planning	Proposed Subdivision	Noted & Filed
7K) Water Stewardship	RRV Designated Flood Area Permit	Noted & Filed
7L) MB Highways	Highway Traffic Board Permit	Noted & Filed
7M) Government of Canada	Budget 2007	Noted & Filed
7N) HED	RM of Morris Cert. # AMM113H	Noted & Filed
7O) MB Agriculture	Newsletter	Noted & Filed
7P) Community Futures	Triple R Corporation	Noted & Filed
7Q) WCB	Newsletter	Noted & Filed
7R) Canada Post	Literacy Awards	Noted & Filed
7S) Healthy Child Coalition	Newsletter	Noted & Filed
7T) House of Commons	Bill C-417 (Memorial Wall Act)	Noted & Filed

101/07 Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the R.M. of Morris agree to cancel ½ the penalty for the Sperling arena.

Carried

102/07 Denis Robert – Ralph Groening
Resolved that the RM of Morris approve application for subdivision #4152-07-5064 with no conditions.

Carried

The CAO was asked to send a letter to the Minister concerning the poor condition of PR 330.

103/07 Lionel Wiens – Denis Robert

Resolved that the RM of Morris request that the Provincial Legislation be amended so that municipalities are not responsible for the cost of replacing survey monuments.

Carried

104/07 Sieg Neumann – Denis Robert

Resolve that the RM of Morris donate \$250.00 to the Morris school provincial curling tournament.

Carried

105/07 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the RM of Morris adopt the 2006 audit report.

Carried

106/07 Ralph Groening – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the RM of Morris approve the MTS agreement for file #90427/9052796 with a minimum depth of four feet.

Carried

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Chair

CAO