

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS**

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the RM of Morris held on Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Kornelsen, Neumann, and Siemens were present with Reeve Martens in the chair. Councillors Robert and Wiens had sent their apologies.

**181/07**           Ralph Groening – Leo Kornelsen

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

Carried

The CAO was asked to write a letter to Mr. Steve Topping concerning the railroad and flood protection for Lowe Farm.

**182/07**           Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the minutes of the September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

**183/07**           Ralph Groening – Stan Siemens

Resolved that the minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

Sergeant Davy Lee from the Morris Detachment attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. he discussed several policing concerns with council and answered all questions that were asked.

**184/07**           Leo Kornelsen – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM of Morris pay Jacob Waldner \$50.00 and Michelle Robert \$250.00 for the Power Point presentation.

Carried

**185/07**           Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that By Law Number 1614-07, be read a first time being a By law to undertake as a local improvement, a connection of a business on section SW6-5-1W North of Lowe Farm to the municipal water and sewer system.

Carried

**186/07**           Leo Kornelsen – Stan Siemens

Resolved that By Law Number 1617-07, be read a first time being a by-law to undertake as a local improvement, the connection of 12 rural residents to the municipal water system.

Carried

Evelyn Holley from the Municipal Planning Branch attended the meeting at 11:15 a.m. She presented council with information on the small windmills. Mrs. Holley also advised that these could be seen as an accessory use.

After Mrs. Holley left the meeting the CAO was asked to write her letter requesting that her department draft an amendment to allow small wind towers. These towers would require a side yard, rear yard, and front yard of 1.5 times the height of the tower. These towers would not be seen as a conditional use at this time, but as a permitted use.

There was some discussion concerning the building permits and the information that was required on permits. It was agreed that all permits would require the zone to be shown on the permit. The staff in the Municipal office will also be checking to make sure that any potential permit complies with all zoning requirements.

Mr. Don Harder, the Public Works Supervisor, attended the meeting at 1:15 p.m. He presented council with his report for the previous month.

The CAO was asked to speak to the Fire Chief for Sperling regarding selling the old fire truck by tender.

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**187/07** Ralph Groening – Stan Siemens

Resolved that the R.M of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque number's 20071305 to 20071376 totalling \$72,988.59.

Carried

**188/07** Sieg Neumann – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the R.M of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque number's 20071377 to 20071445 totaling \$ 192,354.15.

Carried

The CAO was asked to analyze the drainage accounts in the general ledger.

**189/07** Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann

Resolve that the RM of Morris adopt the September financial statement as distributed.

Carried

Council reviewed their committee reports for the previous month, and the CAO was asked to change the minutes so that Councillor Groening would report on the building inspection.

**190/07** Sieg Neumann – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the RM of Morris approve the revised Employee Manual dated October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

Carried

**191/07** Sieg Neumann – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that Councillor Groening be authorized to attend the library conference in Brandon with expenses to be paid.

Carried

**192/07** Stan Siemens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM Council resolve into camera to discuss a confidential economic development opportunity.

Carried

**193/07** Stan Siemens – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that Council resolve back to open session.

Carried

The CAO was asked to contact all the Fire Chiefs and ask them to prepare an asset listing.

Council decided to amend the dog by-law so that there would no fee for a kennel licence, but it would remain as a conditional use.

**197/07** Leo Kornelsen – Ralph Groening

Resolved that by-law 1618/07 being an animal control by-law be read a first time.

Carried

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 4:30 p.m. to meet again on Friday October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

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