

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of Council of the RM of Morris held on Wednesday April 9th, 2008 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens and Councillors Groening, Kornelsen, Neumann, Robert, Siemens and Wiens were present with Reeve Martens in the chair.

066/08 Ralph Groening – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the April 9th, 2008 agenda be adopted as presented and may be amended.

Carried

067/08 Lionel Wiens – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the minutes of the March 12th, 2008 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

068/08 Denis Robert – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the minutes of the March 28th, 2008 council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

069/08 Denis Robert – Stan Siemens

Resolved that By-law Number 1619/07; be read a second time, being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 1581/04 to allow small private wind turbines in the noted zones as a permitted use accessory to the main site.

Carried

070/08 Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that By-law Number 1619/07; be read a third time and passed, being a a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 1581/04 to allow small private wind turbines in the noted zones as a permitted use accessory to the main site.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Carried

071/08 Sieg Neumann – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the R.M of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque numbers 20080088 to 20080171 totaling \$183,499.12.

Carried

072/08 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the R.M of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque numbers 20080172 to 20080214 totaling \$59,919.75.

Carried

073/08 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the RM of Morris adopt the February financial statement as distributed.

Carried

Mr. Doug Popowich and Chris Jones from the offices of Fire Commissioner attended the meeting at 9:45 a.m. Mayor Hoffman and Councillors Murray, Ginter and Van Der Linde from the Town of Morris also attended the meeting. Mr. Popowich and Mr. Jones had attended the meeting to answer questions regarding the operation of fire departments. Mr. Popowich advised that under the department of labour regulations, fire department members must be paid a three hour minimum for every call. This would apply unless

council had a special resolution passed stating that a call was one hour. The three hour minimum also would not apply if there was a standard fee for calls irregardless of time. This is the case in the RM of Morris. There is no law or regulation requiring replacement of equipment. The standard recommendation is 15 to 20 years for a fire truck. Mr. Popowich advised that the insurance underwriters have a bigger hammer. Mr. Popowich also advised that council should talk to the employment standards regarding a definition of a volunteer. Terry Cable from the Employment Standards will be at the Municipal Officials Seminar in Brandon. Mayor Hoffman reported that the Town of Morris pays a flat fee for fire fighters wages, and the fire fighters determine how it will be split. There where then numerous questions and answers.

Council held a hearing at 10:00 a.m. for a Conditional Use to allow a dog kennel. Two persons attended, but chose not to speak.

074/08 Stan Siemens – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that Conditional Use 6/2008 to allow for the establishment of a Dog Kennel in an “AR” Restricted Agricultural zone, being Lot 2 Plan 36225, be approved with the following conditions: None.

Carried

Don Harder, the Public Works Supervisor, attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He presented council with his report for the previous month.

075/08 Denis Robert – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM of Morris purchase 4 years of extended warranty on the John Deere 7730 tractor for \$4,700.00.

Carried

076/08 Ralph Groening – Denis Robert

Resolved that the RM of Morris purchase 24 – 2 yard garbage bins at \$200.00 US each.

Carried

The CAO was asked to apply for a grant for a trailer and bins for recycling. The CAO was also asked to write a letter to the land fill operator, and also to write a letter to a certain resident in Lowe Farm regarding the condition of their property.

Councillor Groening left the meeting due to a potential conflict of interest.

Councillor Wiens was unable to attend the afternoon session.

077/08 Denis Robert – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the fuel tender from Janico Investments at a discount of \$0.082 this being the best price received.

Carried 4-1

Councillor Groening returned to the meeting.

078/08 Sieg Neumann – Denis Robert

Resolved that By-law Number 1623/08, be read a second time being a By-law to Amend By-law 1580/04 to delete Policy 3.3.10 and be replaced with a new policy.

Carried

Carried

080/08 Leo Kornelsen – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the fire inspection costs be recovered from the person or business requiring the service based on option B which is \$250.00 for the initial inspection and \$125.00 for each follow up inspection with council to receive all reports and orders.

Carried

Councillor Groening asked council for an opinion on a certain fine.

081/08 Ralph Groening – Stan Siemens

Resolved that all fine account receivable be added to the tax roll effective April 30th, 2008.

Carried

Council approved to have a booth at the Brandon Summer Fair.

082/08 Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM of Morris authorized the Reeve and the CAO to sign an agreement for the residential development at Rosenort.

Carried.

The following correspondence was received:

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
7A) PAK MAN	Tenders in Sperling	See Resolution
7B) Sperling Fire Dept.	Changes for fire protection areas	See minutes
7C) Tax Payer	Snow Drift Problem	Sec to Invite
7D) MB Community Planning	Prop. Subdiv. SW ¼ 3-6-1E	See Resolution
7E) Morris Piglets	Shelterbelt	Noted & Filed
7F) MB Stampede	Thank you	Noted & Filed
7G) FCM	Funding Opportunity	Noted & Filed
7H) MTS	Right of Way	Noted & Filed
7I) Barnes and Duncan	Water Control Work to be Closed	Noted & Filed
7J) Healthy Child Coalition	Registration	Noted & Filed

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
8A) Town of Morris	RCMP musical ride	Noted & Filed
8B) MB Infrastructure	Crosswalk PR 205	Noted & Filed
8C) MB Community Planning	Proposed Subdiv. SW ¼ 6-5-1W	Noted & Filed
8D) HED	Insurance Renewal	Noted & Filed
8E) Community Planning	4152-07-5171	Noted & Filed
8F) CAO	Notes on Mayors and Reeve Meeting	Noted & Filed
8G) CAO	Notes on Residential Subdiv. in Rosenort	Noted & Filed
8H) Texas Direct Auto	2007 Chevy Silverado	Noted & Filed
8I) RM of Ritchot	By-Law 1623/08	Noted & Filed
8J) Praxis	Registration	Noted & Filed
8K) FCM	Newsletter	Noted & Filed
8L) CAO	Audit on La Broquerie	Noted & Filed
8M) Boruss Contracting	Advertising	Noted & Filed
8N) RM of Montcalm	Public Hearing	Noted & Filed

Information Continued.

From	Subject	Disposition
8O) MB Healthy Living	2008 West Nile Planning	Noted & Filed
8P) RRVSD	Budget Deliberations	Noted & Filed

NEW CORRESPONDENCE

From	Subject	Disposition
TENDERS	TENDERS	See Resolution
9A) TransCanada	Invitation	Noted & Filed
9B) Tax Payer	Interested in buying road allowance.	Approved
9C) Tax Payer	Housing in Sunburst	Noted & Filed
9D) Food Bank	Hunger Count	Noted & Filed
9E) MB Intergov.	By-Law 1623/08	Noted & Filed
9F) MB Conservation	By-Law 16/23	Noted & Filed
9G) PVWC	Water Utilities	Noted & Filed
9H) Tax Payer	Request for extension	Noted & Filed
9I) HED	2008 Insurance Renewal	Noted & Filed
9J) Province of MB	Grand Opening	Noted & Filed
9K) Vic Toews	Participation	Noted & Filed
9L) Steve Ashton	2008 General Ass. Grant/ VLT Revenue	Noted & Filed
9M) MB Agri. And Food	Century Farm Program Package	Noted & Filed
9N) MB Historical Society	Centennial Farm Recognition	Noted & Filed
9O) Community Planning	Prop.subdiv. SE ¼ 3-6-1W	Noted & Filed

083/08 Denis Robert – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the tender from Pac-Man for garbage pick up in Sperling.

Carried

084/08 Leo Kornelsen – Stan Siemens

Resolved that the RM of Morris approve application for subdivision # 4152-08-5204 with no conditions.

Carried

The CAO was requested to send a letter to Pembina Valley Water Co-op regarding their building in the RM of Roland regarding Kane. The CAO was also asked to find the bills for the 2004 RCMP musical ride banquet. The CAO was further asked to apply for a grant for the new public works garage. Councillor Kornelsen will set up a meeting with the fire chiefs to discuss the changing of the boundaries.

085/08 Stan Siemens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the following septic tenders:

Boyne – Sperling
Brown – Lowe Farm
Brown – Rosenort

There being the lowest tenders received.

Carried

086/08 Leo Kornelsen – Ralph Groening
Resolved that the RM of Morris accept hay tenders as follows:

- Section 8 – Frank Reimer
- Section 7 – Arlin Froese
- Section 3 – Arlin Froese
- Section 4 – Arlin Froese

There being the lowest tenders received.

Carried

The CAO was asked to offer the balance of the hay to Mr. Froese at no charge.

087/08 Sieg Neumann – Denis Robert
Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the tender for audit services from Sharpe and Company this being the lowest tender received.

Carried

088/08 Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann
Resolved that the RM of Morris authorize Rosemor CDC to provide a loan guarantee or delayed tax program for a new speculative single or double family residential construction to a maximum value of \$250,000.

Carried

089/08 Ralph Groening – Leo Kornelsen
Resolved that By-law Number 1630/08, be a first time being a By-law of the Rural Municipality of Morris to amend Zoning By-law No. 1581/04.

Carried

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

REEVE

CAO