

September 14, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Reeve Ralph Groening and Councillors Stan Siemens, Mervin Dueck, Rick Giesbrecht, Denis Robert, Barry Fraese and Michael Toews were present with Reeve Groening in the chair. CAO, Larry Driedger, Public Works Manager, Don Harder and Recording Secretary, Kim Robert, were also present at the meeting.

165/16 Stan Siemens – Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the September 14, 2016, Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

1. Council Minutes:

1.1 August 10, 2016, Council Meeting Minutes:

166/16 Mervin Dueck – Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on August 10, 2016, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

1.2 August 29, 2016, Special Council Meeting Minutes:

167/16 Rick Giesbrecht – Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Special Council Meeting that was held on August 29, 2016, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

2. Finance/Personnel:

2.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings:

168/16 Mervin Dueck – Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 201601321 to 201601519 totalling \$261,617.55.
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented.

Carried.



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2.2 2016 Financial Statement - August:

169/16 Mervin Dueck – Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the 2016 Financial Statements for August.

Carried.

2.3 Miscellaneous Posting to Tax Accounts:

170/16 Rick Giesbrecht – Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris adjust the following Property Tax Accounts:

Roll Number	Description	Amount
203345	EPTCA	(\$700.00)
10900	Water Debenture Charged to Incorrect Roll Number	(\$1,082.17)
109000	Water Debenture Added to Correct Roll Number	\$1,082.17

Carried.

2.4 Miscellaneous Posting to Utility Accounts:

171/16 Stan Siemens – Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris adjust the following Utility Accounts:

Account Number	Description	Amount
24079000	Reverse Utility Penalty	(\$3.09)
23013003	Write Off	\$3.63
23028505	Transfer to Taxes	\$0.74
24004005	Transfer to Taxes	(\$0.26)
24095851	Transfer to Taxes	\$77.42
25117000	Write Off-Property Sold	\$5.96
25199871	Write Off	(\$0.77)
25228506	Write Off	\$0.03
25243500	Transfer to Taxes	\$346.35
25269002	Write Off	(\$0.56)
24176230	Unsuccessful Collection-Write Off	\$669.01

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23179810	Unsuccessful Collection- Write Off	\$345.14
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Carried.

2.5 Supplementary Taxes:

172/16 Denis Robert – Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris adjust the following supplementary tax accounts as per attached lists.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all supplementary taxes are due November 30, 2016.

Carried.

2.6 Outstanding Utility Accounts Transferred to Property Taxes:

173/16 Rick Giesbrecht – Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris transfer the following Utility Accounts to Property Taxes as per the attached listing.

Carried.

3. Public Hearings:

Gallery Attendance

Michael Shaw, Michelle Erb, Wendy Kroeker, Renelda Peters, Menno Kroeker, Neil Schellenberg, Brad Kornelsen, Jacquie Russell, Gordon Russell

3.1 Public Hearings:

174/16 Mervin Dueck – Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we open this Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing any comments or concerns related to the following items:

Conditional Use 06/2016, Michael Raymond Shaw & Laurie Burnett
 Conditional Use 07/2016, 3102432 Manitoba Ltd.

Carried.

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9:30 a.m. – Conditional Use 06/2016:

Proposal to allow for the establishment of a Boarding Kennel in an “RR” Rural Residential Zone. Property is located at 153 Road 30 NE, legally known as Lot 6, Block 3, Plan 16239.

Mr. Michael Raymond Shaw attended the hearing and gave a brief comment regarding the proposal. Mr. Shaw advised that his intent was to be able to keep his 4 dogs that he already owns, which is not in compliance with the current RM of Morris Dog By-law 1618/07. Various questions were asked by Council and Mr. Shaw responded that he will not be boarding other animals, all the dogs are his own and they are kept mostly inside. He currently has a fence but one dog is able to jump the fence. He has no plans at this time to breed the dogs.

Mr. Menno Kroeker attended the hearing to voice his concern that it would be a kennel. Was worried that it was a densely populated residential area with many children. Mr. Kroeker was also concerned about property values being affected.

Ms. Wendy Kroeker attended the hearing to voice the following concerns:

1. Currently the dogs are all owned by the applicant, however, this Conditional Use will allow for a possible kennel in the future;
2. The noise level with 4 dogs is at times very high in the evenings;
3. Property values will be affected;
4. The applicant’s dogs are frequently running at large. Mr. Shaw’s property is located in a school zone and Ms. Kroeker has witnessed one of the dogs being aggressive.

Administration recommended that options are available to have conditions to the proposal such as stipulating that additional dogs would not be allowed in the future, taking measures to hinder the dogs from running at large and barking.

Administration then read the three written emails/letters that the RM of Morris received, objecting to the Conditional Use.

Mr. Brad Kornelsen attended the hearing and brought forth 2 additional letters objecting to the Conditional Use. Mr. Kornelsen voiced concern about 3 of the dogs running at large recently.

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Mr. Neil Schellenberg attended the hearing and stated he had concern having a kennel in a residential area.

Mr. Shaw then responded to the concerns, advising he was willing to build a taller fence and will do his best to keep the animals on the yard.

9:45 a.m. – Conditional Use 07/2016:

Proposal to allow for the operation of a mobile sawmill business in an “AR” Restricted Agricultural and “GD” General Development Zone. Property is located at Lot 4&9, Plan 2225, Sperling.

Mr. Gordon Russell and Ms. Jacquie Russell attended the hearing and gave a brief comment regarding the proposal. Various questions were asked by Council and Mr. Russell advised that the property where the mobile sawmill is located is approximately 22 acres. The applicants have cleaned up the debris two times this year so far, however, at this time the ground is too soft. The goal is to move the sawmill further west on the property. They will need to continue to use the back lane to access the stored product. Mr. Russell advised that he would be willing to build a fence and plant trees to create a barrier from the neighbours. The sawmill is currently being used 6-8 hours per week.

Administration read two emails that expressed concern with the Conditional Use application.

3.2 Closing the Public Hearing:

175/16 Stan Siemens – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council close this Public Hearing.

Carried.

3.3 Conditional Use 06/2016, Michael Raymond Shaw & Laurie Burnett:

176/16 Denis Robert – Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Conditional Use No. 06/2016, be approved as applied to allow for the establishment of a Boarding Kennel in a “RR” Rural Residential Zone.

Defeated.

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3.4 Conditional Use 07/2016, 3102432 Manitoba Ltd.:

177/16 Stan Siemens – Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Conditional Use No. 07/2016, be approved as applied to allow for the operation of a mobile sawmill business in an “AR” Restricted Agricultural and “GD” General Development Zone subject to the following conditions:

1. A minimum 8 foot privacy fence will need to be constructed along the east side of the property where the mobile saw mill is being operated;
2. A row of towering poplar trees are to be planted along the fence;
3. The saw mill operation will be moved to the most westerly location on the property.

Carried.

4. Delegations:

4.1	11:00 a.m. Mr. Gary Klassen Fire Services Consultant	11:30 a.m. Jo-Anne Prejet, Sergeant RCMP, Carman Detachment
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4.1 11:00 a.m. - Mr. Gary Klassen, Fire Services Consultant:

The Reeve, Fire Chief and CAO have met a couple of times to talk about how to move forward with the amalgamation of the three fire services to work as one department with three halls or locations. We have been busy with the ‘everyday items’ and are having a tough time focusing on the future of the department. It was suggested that we should bring in some help in moving forward. The Reeve, Fire Chief and CAO have met with Mr. Gary Klassen to determine if he would be interested in providing us with some assistance to help with some of the ‘extraordinary items’, such as long term planning, establishment of joint policies, etc.

Mr. Gary Klassen, Fire Services Consultant, attended the Council Meeting to introduce himself. Mr. Klassen advised that in his experience, personnel issues are the first priority.

Administration gave a brief presentation regarding what the next step would be for making a plan for the RM of Morris Fire Department. A list of mandated items was provided:

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1. Morale – how to keep and maintain at a high level;
2. How to work together;
3. Level of service;
4. Fire Chief position recommendations;
5. Completion of the Master Plan.

Administration advised that the long term goal is to benefit all firefighters in the RM of Morris.

Council was in consensus that we work with Mr. Klassen and refine the mandate. They agreed to start with an allocation of \$2,500.00 towards this and will review the process when this has been expended to determine if we should continue.

11:45 a.m. – Ms. Jo-Anne Prejet, Sergeant, RCMP, Carman Detachment:

Sergeant Prejet along with Administrative staff member, Ms. Connie Anderson attended the Council Meeting.

Sergeant Prejet gave a brief report on the following items that have occurred in the RM of Morris:

- There have been 29 calls for service this year so far as compared to 24 calls in 2015;
- An increase in traffic has created a slight increase in traffic tickets;
- No impaired driving offences have occurred;
- There have been no calls for ‘crimes against persons’;
- There has been 2 calls for ‘crimes against property’.

Sergeant Prejet advised that there has been concern brought to her attention of speeding on Road 11 in the RM of Morris. Highway Patrol from Headingly as well as her Constables have been notified.

The Sergeant reported that there are currently 6 Constables at the Carman Detachment.

Sergeant Prejet invited the RM of Morris Council to attend the upcoming ‘Community Consult’ meeting in February.

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5. Action Correspondence:

5.1 Proposed Subdivision 4152-15-7394, RL 496, Parish of Ste. Agathe, Michel Jean Raffard:

Ms. Michelle Erb, neighbour immediately affected by this subdivision, attended the meeting to voice her concerns about the proposed subdivision.

178/16 Denis Robert – Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council deny application for subdivision number 4152-15-7394, River Lot 496, Parish of Ste. Agathe, for Michel Jean Raffard.

Defeated.

5.2 Motion to Rescind:

179/16 Denis Robert – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT after further discussion being held regarding the Application of Subdivision 4152-15-7394, RL 496, Parish of Ste. Agathe, Michel Jean Raffard. The RM of Morris Council agreed that Resolution No. 178/16 be rescinded.

Carried.

5.2 Dekalb Rings of Influence:

RM of Morris Council reviewed the invitation. Council was in consensus to participate in this event again this year.

5.3 Manitoba Sustainable Development-Tile Drainage-SW 20-6-1E-Herbert, Leanne & Raymond Rempel:

180/16 Mervin Dueck – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Water Control Works Licence No. 16-WCW-1322, to allow the installation of tile drainage in section SW 20-6-1E.

Carried.

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6. Committee & Reports:

6.1 Reeve Report:

RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve's Report.

6.2 Public Works Manager Report:

Drainage:

- 30 miles completed. Once the Bell drain is done, the drainage program should move along quicker.

Roads:

- Dirt roads are starting to shape up;
- Roadside mowing on dirt roads and 2nd cut on gravel roads is done south of mile 31 North, from west boundary to Red River.

Employees:

- Paul Robert is enrolled in Water and Wastewater courses from September 12-October 7.

Water Works:

- We have more new properties to service with sewer and water in Lowe Farm and Rosenort;
- Some minor upgrades have been done in Rosenort and Lowe Farm water plants;
- To date we have 481 rural residences connected to potable water.

Various Items:

- Trees to plant;
- Pour concrete for sidewalk;
- Dirt to haul from 2 yard sites on the Bell drain;
- Culvert work on-going.

Additional Items:

- Contractors working at the Lowe Farm lagoon will be working on the inter-connecting pipe and a drilling rig will be coming on September 23rd. The province will then need to come inspect the work which could take up to a month. It will be late spring to early summer before the work will be

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completely done, however, the lagoon will be up and running before the winter season.

- Public Works Manager advised that he had a meeting with the Department of Highways who advised that they will putting up sign posts for the PTH 422 detour before freeze-up. The signs will be put up in the spring of 2017 and they anticipate the detour to being in March. An update on the Marsh River detour will follow.

6.3 Fire Chief Report:

RM of Morris Council reviewed the Fire Chief Report.

6.4 Building Inspector Report:

RM of Morris Council Reviewed the Building Inspector Report.

7. Information:

RM of Morris Council Reviewed the following as information:

7.1 Notice of Public Hearing-RM of MacDonald

7.2 Valley Agricultural Society – Thank you Letter

7.3 Southern Health-Santé Sud-Declaration of Patient Values Survey

7.4 RM of Morris Policy Review Committee Minutes - August 18, 2016

7.5 RCMP, Morris-Riverside Bridge Report

7.6 Manitoba Hydro Financial Report Notification

7.7 Proposed Sub-Division File No. 4152-16-7515, Pt. SW ¼ 14-6-1E, Chester L. & Ruth M. Bartel, Certificate of Approval

7.8 Notice of Public Hearing – RM of MacDonald

7.9 Red River Valley Parent Child Centre-Support Request

7.10 Morris Minor Hockey – Support Request

7.11 Board of Revision-October 12, 2016-Notice and Guide



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8. Other Business:

8.1 Event Listing

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Event Listing.

8.2 Red River Basin Commission-South Chapter, 3rd Annual Fundraiser Dinner

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Invitation and will be attending.

9. Adjournment Resolution:

181/16 Stan Siemens – Rick Giesbrecht

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 1:30 p.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held October 12, at 9:00 a.m.

REEVE

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