



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Regular Council Meeting September 11, 2019 - 09:00 AM

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on September 11, 2019, commencing at 9:00 a.m., in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Deputy Reeve, Rick Giesbrecht and Councillors Mervin Dueck, Barry Fraese, Stan Siemens, Shane Kroeker and Scott Siemens, were present, with Deputy Reeve Giesbrecht in the Chair. CAO, Larry Driedger, Public Works Manager, Paul Robert, Building Inspector/Fire Chief, Trevor Dackow, and Recording Officer, Kimberley Robert, were also present at the meeting.

Reeve Groening sent his regrets.

1 Agenda

1.1 Agenda Additions

- Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc. - Item 9.5
- Morris Area Foundation Inc. - Item 9.6
- Treaty Knowledge & Indigenous History Workshop - Item 9.7
- Investing In Canada Grant Application - Item 9.8

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

2019-179
Shane Kroeker
Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the September 11, 2019, Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Council Minutes

2.1 Business Arising From Previous Minutes: None

2.2 Previous Council Minutes

2019-180
Barry Fraese
Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on August 15, 2019, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

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3 Finance/Personnel

3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings

2019-181

Mervin Dueck

Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 201901345 to 201901399 totalling \$269,376.09.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented.

CARRIED

3.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - August 2019

2019-182

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the August, 2019, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

3.3 Supplementary Property Taxes

2019-183

Shane Kroeker

Barry Fraese

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

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT all supplementary taxes are due November 30, 2019.

CARRIED

3.4 Miscellaneous Posting to Property Tax Accounts

2019-184

Scott Siemens

Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the adjustments of the following Property Tax Accounts:

Roll Number	Description	Amount
142200	Tax Sale Costs	\$149.00
247950	Tax Sale Costs	\$125.00
142200	Tax Sale Costs	\$530.00
247950	Tax Sale Costs	\$530.00
247950	Tax Sale Costs	\$200.00
142200	Tax Sale Costs	\$1,331.40

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CARRIED

- 3.5 Outstanding Utility Accounts Transferred to Property Taxes**
2019-185
Mervin Dueck
Stan Siemens

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

CARRIED

4 Public Hearings: 10:00 a.m.

- 4.1 Open Public Hearing**
2019-186
Stan Siemens
Scott Siemens

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

- By-law 1748/2019, being a by-law to amend the RM of Morris Zoning By-law 1713/2015, to allow for the growing and processing of cannabis in the Rural Municipality of Morris

CARRIED

4.2 By-law 1748/2019, Being a By-law to Amend the RM of Morris Zoning By-law 1713/2015

The CAO gave a brief overview of By-law 1748/2019, being a by-law to amend the RM of Morris Zoning By-law 1713/2015, to allow for the growing and processing of cannabis in the RM of Morris.

No persons attended the Hearing and no written letters objection to the By-law were received.

- 4.3 Close Public Hearing**
2019-187
Shane Kroeker
Scott Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RM of Morris Council close this Public Hearing.

CARRIED

5 Delegations: None

6 Action Correspondence: None

7 Reports

7.1 Reeve Report

RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve Report.

7.2 Building Permit Value Report & 2019 Building Permit Listing - Administration

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RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Permit Value Report & the Building Permit Listing Report.

7.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report

RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report.

7.4 Public Works Manager Report

Ditching:

- Had a gps equipped John Deere excavator for a couple days. Roughly 4 miles left

Various:

- Started adding topsoil and grass seed around the Valley Fiber vaults and at points of hookup. We will be concentrating on doing that in Rosenort, Lowe Farm and Riverside
- Took the sidewalk out on First Street East in Lowe Farm and will be putting a storm drain in the ditch in October

Utilities:

- Silver Tec hooked up to sewer and water
- Helped fix the meter pit out in Sperling

8 Information

RM of Morris Council reviewed the following information.

8.1 Red River Valley School Division Board Meeting Minutes - June 11, 2019

8.2 Prairie Rose School Division Board Meeting Minutes & Highlights - June 17, 2019 & August 26, 2019

8.3 Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation - Annual Fundraising Banquet - October 25, 2019

8.4 Sperling Sign Request - Not A Truck Route

8.5 2019 Fall Municipal Emergency Workshops

It was encouraged that 4-6 Council and Staff attend the Municipal Emergency Workshops.

8.6 Morris & District Centennial Museum Meeting Minutes - August 14, 2019

9 Other Business

9.1 BDO Canada LLP Draft Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2018

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Mervin Dueck

Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the draft Consolidated Financial Statements, as presented.

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- 9.2 By-law 1748/2019, Being a By-law to Amend the RM of Morris Zoning By-law 1713/2015 - Second Reading**
2019-189
Stan Siemens
Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council give second reading to By-law 1748/2019, as amended, being a by-law to amend the RM of Morris Zoning By-law 1713/2015, to allow for the growing and processing of cannabis in the Rural Municipality of Morris.

CARRIED

- 9.3 Sign Installation**
2019-190
Stan Siemens
Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council authorize Administration and Public Works to install "No Truck Route" signs as necessary.

DEFEATED

- 9.4 Policy No. 1380-103 - Flowers on Bereavement**
2019-191
Stan Siemens
Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the RM of Morris Flowers on Bereavement Policy No. 1380-103, as presented.

CARRIED

- 9.5 Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc.**

Councillor Dueck reported that there will be a planned boil water advisory for 4-5 days in October when they connect the Morris water line to the St. Jean line. This activity will affect the pressure and in some areas there may be a disruption in water. A formal notice will be provided prior to the date it will occur.

Councillor Dueck also advised that zebra mussels are becoming a big concern as they are being discovered in the Morris intake valve and must be removed continually.

- 9.6 Morris Area Foundation Inc.**

Councillor Dueck advised that applications for grants are now available with the deadline being in November. Interested parties must be an organization that has access to a charitable number.

- 9.7 The Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba & The Red River Basin Commission's North & South Chapter - Treaty Knowledge & Indigenous History Workshop**

Councillors Dueck and Giesbrecht attended the Conference and provided a brief report on the information they received.

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9.8 Investing In Canada Grant Application

The CAO advised the RM of Morris Council that the Application is complete and will be submitted.

10 Adjournment

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Stan Siemens

Barry Fraese

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:20 a.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on October 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED

Deputy Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer