



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at the Ukrainian National Home in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Deputy Reeve Abas and Councillors Lindal, Gagaluk, Nevakshonoff and Chief Administrative Officer Marykuca

Regrets: Councillor Webb

Reeve Pyziak called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

53/22 **WHEREAS** the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council has been circulated for them to review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Under New Business:

14. Highway 17

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

54/22 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on March 17, 2022 have been circulated for their review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegates:

RCMP

RCMP could not attend.

Robyn Bjornson

Mrs. Bjornson requested that Councillors are to approach all small business owners before coming to Council. A FIPPA request/complaint will be filed about the minutes that are written by the CAO. She also stated that on the RM of Fisher's website emails are not authorized – CAO to contact website developer.

Public Works Staff

Public Works staff attended to discuss duties, snow clearing efforts and future wage adjustments.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

55/22 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 5256 to 5337 and

Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 2023 to 2034;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$261, 983.50.

CARRIED

3. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

56/22 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated March 31, 2022 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Reports of Committees:

Reeve Pyziak spoke of the Interlake Weed Control Board. \$9,500.00 has been withheld from the Province and Fred Paulson, Weed Supervisor is working on receiving that money. The suggestion is that the 5 municipalities that make up the weed board be part of one letter to send to the provincial government. Letter to be drafted by Mr. Paulson. Reeve to bring back next Council meeting.

Manitoba Association of Watersheds has received 40 million dollars from the Province for funding. This money will be divided between projects in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Funding will be given to projects for:

- Nitrogen Management
- Rotational Grazing
- Cover Cropping

Manitoba Tourism Association Annual Meeting on April 28, 2022

Councillor Lindal gave an update on LUD matters.

Deputy Reeve Abas spoke of neighboring communities having a meeting in regards to vet services.

Communications:

1. Highway 6 Health Advisory Committee

Info Only

2. Ukraine Fundraiser

Info Only

3. Manitoba Good Roads Association

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

57/22 **WHEREAS** Manitoba Good Roads Association is hosting a gravel roads conference in Pierson, Manitoba;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Public Works employees Hunter McPherson and Edward Knowles attend the 2 day conference.

CARRIED

Unfinished Business:

1. Broad Valley Drain

Reeve Pyziak and Councillor Gagaluk declared conflict and left the room.

Deputy Reeve Abas now chaired the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal

58/22 **WHEREAS**, at the landowners request to mitigate overland water flow in the RM that centres on NE 35-22-2W, and **WHEREAS**, the proposed solution is to develop a drainage system to move this water off the quarter in a north easterly direction and then into the north ditch of Road 132N where it is eventually channeled into the Icelandic River via the Shurka Drain, and **WHEREAS**, the Interlake Pioneer Trail bisects the above-mentioned quarter roughly in a south to north direction and there is some water to the west of this trail that must be channeled into the proposed drain thru an adequately-sized culvert, and **WHEREAS**, the municipality cannot expend taxpayer dollars to construct drainage ditches on private property without setting a precedent where other ratepayers will then expect the same level of service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the RM of Fisher enter into an agreement with the landowner of the NE 35-22-2W to develop the above-described drainage ditch across NE 35-22-2W, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the cost of the excavation within the NE 35-22-2W be incurred in full by the landowner for the above-mentioned reason, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the excavation be properly surveyed

by a licensed surveyor and that the excavation itself be performed by a contractor approved by the RM of Fisher as per the Municipal water management plan, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the cost of the upgrade of the culvert thru the Interlake Pioneer Trail from 18-24 inches as well as the cost of the 24-inch culvert through Road 132N where the drain leaves the NE 35-22-2W in question be covered in full by the RM of Fisher, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the RM of Fisher construct approximately 500 meters of new drainage works in the north ditch of Road 132N up to the point where it meets up with an existing drainage ditch, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the RM of Fisher also construct a drop structure in the north ditch of Road 132N to stage release of the run-off, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the RM of Fisher upgrade the culverts in all driveway accesses onto farm fields within the scope of the overall project to 24-inches and that the access off of PR#17 onto SE 1-23-2W be increased from one to two 24-inch culverts, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the RM of Fisher also undertake to do some remedial work on the existing drainage in the north ditch of Road 132N and also for a stretch along PR # 17 as per the written instruction of the Province of Manitoba in order to achieve their full licensed approval for the entire project in question, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this project will only go forward with the consent in writing of the landowner of the NE 35-22-2W as well as with a licence for the project in full granted by the Province of Manitoba.

CARRIED

Reeve Pyziak returned to chair the meeting.

2. Farm Lease Agreement

Draft being compiled by CAO. Tabled

3. Glen Podaima Subdivision

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

59/22 **WHEREAS** a request for subdivision application 4605-21-8093, being the NE 2-22-2W was made;

AND WHEREAS Council has approved by resolution 308/21 the subdivision;

AND WHEREAS a developed road is required to complete the said subdivision;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the property owner hire

Earthworks Construction to construct a developed road on the municipal right of way to the residual property's access, and incur all costs associated with construction.

CARRIED

4. Fire Well Hodgson

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

60/22 **RESOLVED THAT** Request for Proposals be advertised for new Fire Well in Hodgson.

CARRIED

5. Water Meters

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

61/22 **WHEREAS** The RM of Fisher has entered into a cost-sharing agreement as per resolution 265/21;

AND WHEREAS an increase in the cost sharing amount was requested by Water Services to cover a higher tendered amount;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the RM of Fisher approve the cost share increase to \$259,178.12;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Manitoba Water Services Board amend the agreement to reflect the increase.

CARRIED

6. AMM June District Resolutions

Council has had the opportunity to bring forward any resolutions that they would like to bring forward to AMM June District meeting. No Councillors had a request.

7. Marijuana Micro Cultivation

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

62/22 **RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Rural Municipality of Fisher is in agreement to allow Cannabis Micro Cultivation within the RM of Fisher.

CARRIED

8. Brandt Training

Tabled

New Business

1. Dust Control 2022

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

63/22 **WHEREAS** the Dust Control Program will be scheduled for May 30, 2022;

AND WHEREAS the fees for the 800 Litre light application will be \$350.00 and for the 1000L heavy application will be \$395.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Fort Distributors be hired for the 2022 Dust Control Application.

CARRIED

2. Canadian Payroll Association

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

64/22 **WHEREAS** Municipal employee Carol Emms renewal for membership to the National Payroll Institute is due;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT membership to the National Payroll Institute be renewed by the RM of Fisher.

CARRIED

3. Staff Hearing Test

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

65/22 **RESOLVED** that quote of \$787.50 be accepted from Ross Hearing for employee onsite hearing test.

CARRIED

4. RM Parcel administered by Crown Lands

Councillor Gagaluk to drive to site and take pictures of fence line for Council before any decision can be determined.

Future lease will include Animal Units/Taxes/Infrastructure

5. Emergency Truck Lights Required

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

66/22 **RESOLVED THAT** quote from Smith's Auto Tech for installation and Lights for \$2,464.75 before taxes.

CARRIED

Council requests a detailed invoice of all works performed.

6. Bulldozing Gas Tax Funding

Info Only

7. People First

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

67/22 **WHEREAS** the Employees for the RM of Fisher have decertified the CUPE union;
AND WHEREAS the employees do not have any formal employee handbook or contract;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT People First HR Services to draft an employee handbook and individual employee agreements.

CARRIED

8. Weed Board

See reports of committees

9. Road 138/3W Repair

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
68/22 **RESOLVED THAT** Councillor for Ward 3 hire a bid hourly contractor to deposit 2” aggregate to repair road.

CARRIED

Budget 2022 will look into repairing this stretch of road if it permits.

10. Spring opening

Councillors are getting request for Spring opening. Public Works are down one V Plow but will opening as much as possible.

11. Road 140N Ditching

Private residence was contacted that they will be doing ditching in municipal right of way and paid for privately.

12. 2022 Bid Hourly

Council was given 2022 Bid Hourly contractors

13. Budget Meeting Date

April 12, 2022 9-12 a.m. Council Chambers

14. Highway 17

Deputy Reeve Abas has received complaints about a stretch of Highway 17 that is bad. He would like letter sent to Minister and request info on when stage 2 of Highway 17 upgrade will take place. Deputy Reeve to research exact location and bring back to Council.

In Camera:

Moved By Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
69/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council recess the Regular meeting and go into “In Camera” as per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss the following item:

Legal

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
70/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

CAO to consult legal advice to ensure the office is following proper procedure relating to development and permits.

Adjournment:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
71/22 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:41 p m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer
(Subject to errors and/or omissions)

