



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Thursday, December 21, 2023, Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

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

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal

349/23 **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:

- 13. Theft
- 14. Drainage
- 15. Grader Tires

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

350/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 6, 2023 have been circulated for their review;

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

CARRIED

Correction made to New Business #10.

Delegates:

6:00 Recreation Director

Did not attend.

6:30 Fire Chief

Updated Council on the last quarter. 46 calls this year. Requested numerous training courses being applied to for the fire fighters. Requested Milwaukee lights to use at scene.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councilor Nevakshonoff.

351/23 **RESOLVED THAT** the Fisher Fire Department be approved to purchase 2 Milwaukee search lights, (1) 18V tower, and (3) 18 Volt batteries for a total price of \$1,675.17.

CARRIED

7:00 Jerry Flett

Requested meeting with Council on Proposed business idea for the Town of Fisher Branch.

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

352/23 **WHEREAS** Jerry Flett, resident of the town of Fisher Branch presented a business idea to construct a new building in Fisher Branch for a retail Cannabis Dispensary;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed establishment be supported by Council in Fisher Branch on condition that all municipal, provincial and federal zoning and legislative requirements are met.

CARRIED

7:30 Clint Webb

In Camera:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
353/23 **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:

Personnel / 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 Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
354/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does
now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

- Request meeting with Recreation Director
- CAO performance review to be conducted in January
- Contact bid hourly contractor for sewer inspection and/or repair
- Update on Legal proceedings

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
355/23 **WHEREAS** a suspected sewer break has been reported by Lyra Tacad
AND WHEREAS the RM of Fisher Policy – Local Improvement District (LID) Sewer
System Policy is to be followed;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a bid hourly contractor be called to inspect
area of suspected break and to repair if required
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT policy be explained to homeowner as to
areas of responsibility.

CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
356/23 **WHEREAS** proposed By-Law 1199/23 requires review;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Dale Lyle Consultants be hired to review
By-Law 1199/23.

CARRIED

Communications:

1.) WSP Invoice and Change Order

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff
357/23 **WHEREAS** invoice 20063098 for the amount of \$6,835.50 was submitted;
AND WHEREAS a change order was requested for an increase of \$15,000.00 to the
contract budget between WSP Canada Inc. and the Rural Municipality of Fisher;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Invoice 20063098 for the amount of
\$6,835.50 be approved;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the RM of Fisher approve said budget
increase as per Project Change Request, Project Change Request number 221-06425-00
PCR-008 on condition that a weekly detailed work performed invoices be submitted.

CARRIED

Unfinished Business

1. Illegal Ditching

Discussed under “In Camera”

2. Rural Strategic Infrastructure Investment Fund.

Tabled. Council to discuss at January meeting.

3. Crown Lands ACL Payment

Tabled waiting from Crown Lands response.

New Business

1. 2023 Grants – Advertise Supporting Our Communities

CAO would like to advertise on Facebook the total of funds and groups that the RM has donated to in 2023.

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

358/23 **RESOLVED THAT** an advertisement on Facebook be made of the grand total of donations made and a list of community groups and organizations that has received funding.

CARRIED

2. VLT GRANTS

Tabled till January Meeting

3. Town Hall Date

Tabled

4. LGD Ad Hoc Group

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

359/23 **WHEREAS** the 12 former LGD's formed an Ad-Hoc Committee in 2012 and developed a lobbying document called Main Market Road Funding 2018 and beyond to secure at a minimum the 2012 funding commitment from the Provincial government;

AND WHEREAS an update to this document is required for the Ad-Hoc Committee to lobby the current government for continued financial assistance of these main market and 50/50 roads including inflationary costs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Fisher commits up to \$3000.00 for the Ad-Hoc committee to hire a consultant to refresh the lobbying document.

CARRIED

5. Recreation Manitoba 2024 Conference March 13-15

Info Only

6. Interlake Tourism Advertisement

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

360/23 **RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Fisher purchase ½ page advertisement in the Interlake Tourism Association Book.

CARRIED

7. Fisher Branch Recreation Fair

Unable to contribute a table this year.

8. Frost Fighter Heater

Info only

9. Caretaking Municipal Office

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

361/23 **WHEREAS** tenders were advertised for Caretaking of the Municipal Office;

AND WHEREAS 3 Tenders, one sealed in an envelope and 2 emailed were received;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that tender for \$395.00 per month for a one year contract be accepted.

CARRIED

10. CAO Budget Wishlist

CAO went over her wish list for 2024.

Council would like items listed in order of priority for consideration at budget preparation time.

11. Staff Meeting

CAO will be conducting monthly staff meetings reviewing Council minutes and employee recommendations to Council.

12. Utilities to Taxes

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
362/23 **WHEREAS** Roll 357900 and 362591 have outstanding utility accounts in the amount totaling \$ 489.94
AND WHEREAS these utility accounts have been in arrears since 2023
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT these aged utility accounts be added to Roll 357900 and 362591 and collected via taxation as per section 252 (2) of the Municipal Act.

CARRIED

13. Theft

Conservation Officers are requesting that the RM advertise a reminder for residents to remove keys from vehicles and lock doors due to the recent crime spree in the area.

14. Drainage

Environment and Climate requires the municipality to reach out to the first nations community for consultation in drainage license. Council is opposed to this idea and feel that it should land on the department requiring this information.

15. Grader Tires

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk
363/23 **WHEREAS** 8 new tires are required for the graders in the 2024 season
AND WHEREAS the Equipment repairs and Maintenance budget line is under budget for 2023
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT 8 grader tires be purchased through the CANOE procurement program from KalTire for the price of \$20,387.98.

CARRIED

Adjournment:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff
364/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 10:19 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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