



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the regular meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, January 6, 2020 via Zoom.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Deputy Reeve Abas, Councillors Gagaluk, Lindal, Nevakshonoff, Webb (arrived 9:18) and Chief Administrative Officer Marykuca

Reeve Pyziak called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and meeting started at 9:05 when quorum was achieved.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

1/21 **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 Unfinished Business

11. Interlake Forest Center Survey required

Under New Business:

14. Drainage/Brushing/Pulling Shoulders Recap 2020

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

2/21 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 17, 2020 have been circulated for their review;

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

CARRIED

Under Unfinished Business:

3. Broad Valley Drain

Councillor Nevakshonoff to forward letter *from Council* to Minister Shuler regarding the “red tape” in the licensing process for drainage works.

Delegates:

Sergeant Simard gave a monthly statistical report of crime and occurrences in the area. Community Constable Chad Hnatiuk introduced himself to Council. He will be the community constable and will be working closely with the RM.

Library Committee – Annette Holowka spoke on behalf of the Library committee. She spoke of the urgency to have an official answer from Council to establish a library.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

3/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 4142 to 4242 and
Electronic Payments EFT 1727 to 1763;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$ 412,829.03.

CARRIED

2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

4/21 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated January 5, 2021 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Reports of Committees:

Councillor Lindal – LUD is working on town beautification and applying for grants for funding for various projects. Trailblazers and Snowman would like Texas Gate on Pioneer Trail removed saying snowmobiles and groomer cannot get over the Texas gate. Issue has been resolved.

Councillor Nevakshonoff spoke of communications with the Weed Board that payment has been made by the Province of Manitoba.

Councillor Webb – had questions in regards to the Montago Lake Committee. Wondering if group is still active, and if there any updates. Administration directed to contact Provincial agencies for an update.

Reeve Pyziak – Met with minister Shuler along with Councillor Nevakshonoff and Chief Administrative Officer Marykuca. They discussed the need for clean out of 3rd order drains and it was communicated that the Province will be changing this practice and will unveil as to what that looks like in the coming weeks. The highways bridge and the new pedestrian walking bridge was discussed that it will be replaced at no cost to the RM within 4 years.

Councillor Nevakshonoff spoke of the Woloshyn and Kilkenny drain, as the Reeve had declared conflict on the Woloshyn Drain. A letter will be forwarded to the Minister's office regarding the red tape on drainage license, on behalf of Council.

Community Futures has processed numerous loans to small businesses and community groups.

Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca - spoke on the Fisher Armstrong Planning District. She met with the RM of Armstrong CAO and discussed invoices submitted by the Building Inspector.

Communications:

1. Plowing Request – Road 138 N and road 129 N Between 13 W and 12 W

Reeve Pyziak declared conflict and left the meeting

Road 138N a request was made to Councillor Gagaluk to open a road to a hay yard. Administration to send current policy to rate payer.

Road 129 N between 13 W and 12 W – Request was made to office to keep open that stretch of road, administration to send same policy to rate payer.

2. STARS Donation Request

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

5/21 **RESOLVED** that a donation be granted to STARS for the amount of \$200.00.

CARRIED

3. Fisher Personal Care Home Thank you

Thank you to the RM of Fisher from the Fisher Personal Care Home for a leather reclining chair that was donated.

Unfinished Business:

1. Conditional Use / Access Agreement

Administration is consulting Mines Branch on quarry lease.

3. Broad Valley Drain

CAO to schedule meeting with Broad Valley Drain Sub Committee via teleconference.

4. Library

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

6/21 **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

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

7/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152 (4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

Reeve Pyziak asked Council if they are ready to vote to establishing a Library in Fisher Branch and unanimously, they said yes. Council would like the vote recorded. Councillor Nevakshonoff presented a resolution:

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

8/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** The RM of Fisher Council formally acknowledge by resolution its support for the establishment of a public library in the community of Fisher Branch and that it begins the process immediately to establish a by-law to that effect to commit to the Evergreen Regional Library Levy per capita of \$10.25 and begin negotiations with the provincial government to secure the grant money available for projects such as this.

	Reeve Pyziak	Deputy Reeve Abas	Councillor Gagaluk	Councillor Lindal	Councillor Nevakshonoff	Councillor Webb
For			X		X	
Against	X	X		X		
Abstained						X
Absent						

DEFEATED

5. 11 Tache – Garage

CAO to obtain quotes on repurposing the garage into a gazebo that can be used by residents for a gathering spot.

Councillors to look at retro fitting the old shop to house the handi-van. CAO to arrange a meeting at the shop.

6. 18 Tache – “Green Bucks”

Fire Department has been given authority to use building as a training exercise for the Fisher Fire Department and the Mutual Aid District. Notification will be required for all residents of the LUD of Fisher using All-Net Connect and letters be sent to neighboring properties. Fire Department to follow all proper protocols.

7. Donald Gauthier Request

Council to stick to policy that it is not a primary residence and individual does not have hay or livestock.

Administration to bring policy to Council table for review.

8. 2nd and 3rd Reading of By-Law 1190/20 – Regulate Livestock at Large

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

9/21 **RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 1190/20, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Fisher to regulate Livestock at Large within the limits of the Rural Municipality of Fisher be read a second time.

CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

10/21 **RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 1190/20, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Fisher to regulate Livestock at Large within the limits of the Rural Municipality of Fisher be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

9. Website

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Webb

11/21 **WHEREAS** the RM of Fisher is currently requiring a new Web Page Host,
AND WHEREAS two quotations have been received,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a quote from Ganica Designs Solutions be accepted for \$1,486.32 before taxes for one year.

CARRIED

10. Tax Sale

Waiting for update if Tax Sale Properties have been sold. Tax Service to investigate further.

11. Interlake Forrest Center

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

12/21 **WHEREAS** a survey is required to accompany the lease papers for the Interlake Forest Centre.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Lankhout Land Surveying and Geomatics be hired to perform survey.

CARRIED

New Business

1. By-Law 1191/21 Amendment to Fire By-Law 1188/20

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

13/21 **RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. 1191/20, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Fisher to amend By-Law 1188/20 being a By-Law to Regulate Burning within the RM of Fisher be read a first time as amended.

CARRIED

CAO directed to consult municipal solicitor before presenting for second or third reading.

2. Request for Proposals

a.) Reid and Miller Chartered Professional Accountants Inc. – 2020 audit services resolution required

Tabled

b.) Request for Proposals for Audit 2021-2023

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

14/21 **WHEREAS** Audit Services are required for the years 2021-2023
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT administration to advertise Request for

CARRIED

3. 2021 Brush Spraying

Council to think of areas that require spraying for the 2021 season and bring back to next meeting.

4. Grade 1 Request for War Memorial

Grade 1 Class of Fisher Branch Elementary has submitted a request for Council to erect a war memorial in the town of Fisher Branch. LUD has been consulted and are in full support.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

15/21 **WHEREAS** a request to erect a war memorial to be erected in the town of Fisher Branch was made,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Rural Municipality of Fisher support the endeavor of a war memorial,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT administration research grant monies and location for future home of monument.

CARRIED

5. Snow Clearing Municipal Roads and Public Safety Advertisement/ Snowplowing Routes

Advertise Safety announcement in paper and local newsletter.

Public Works to follow snow clearing policy in large snow storm events as directed by Council.

6. Snow Blade for Tractor

Tabled.

7. Tax Sale for Properties in arrears 2018

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

16/21 **WHEREAS** Section 365 (2) of The Municipal Act provides that Council may in any year designate the immediately preceding year, or any earlier year, as the year for which properties, the taxes in respect of which are in arrears for the year, must be offered for sale by auction to recover the tax arrears and costs;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Designated year for which properties in arrears be offered for sale by auction, be 2021 (meaning all properties with outstanding taxes from the year 2018 or prior); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED in accordance with section 363 (1) of the Municipal Act, "costs" shall be the actual costs incurred by the municipality for each parcel listed for the tax sale plus an administration fee of \$50.00 per roll as set forth in Manitoba Regulation 50/97; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the tax sale be held November 10, 2021 at 2:00 pm at the Rural Municipality of Fisher Council Chambers.

CARRIED

8. VLT Grants

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and Seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

17/21 **RESOLVED** that the 2020 VLT funding in the total amount of \$ 38,000.00 be allocated as follows:

- 40 % Fisher Branch Recreation Center
- 10% Ukrainian National Home
- 10% Hodgson Community Centre
- 10% Poplarfield Community Centre
- 5% Broad Valley Community Hall
- 5% Fisherton Community Hall
- 10% Other Allocations (Special Projects)
- 10% Fisher Branch Community Centre

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

18/21 **WHEREAS** the 2020 Financial Plan included an expenditure of \$15,000.00 for providing financial assistance to community centers and halls:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the municipal funding be allocated as follows:

\$7000.00	Fisher Branch Recreation Centre
\$1300.00	Ukrainian National Home
\$1500.00	Hodgson Community Centre
\$1900.00	Poplarfield Community Centre
\$1000.00	Broad Valley Community Hall
\$800.00	Fisherton Community Hall
\$1500.00	Fisher Branch Hall

CARRIED

9. Fire Department Request

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

19/21 **WHEREAS** automatic door openers are required for the fire hall;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a quote from Wallace & Wallace for \$3,874.81 before taxes be approved.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

20/21 **WHEREAS** the Fisher Fire Department requires new gloves;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Fire Chief Davy order 15 pairs of new gloves for the Fisher Fire Department.

CARRIED

10. Valley Fiber Internet

Chief Administrator Officer Kelly Marykuca to schedule a meeting with Valley Fiber and Council.

11. Tractor Operator/Equipment Operator

Tabled

12. Committees Review

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

21/21 **RESOLVED** that the Rural Municipality of Fisher approve appointments and or standing committees of Council as follows:

Deputy Reeve – Boyd Abas

Community Futures / East Interlake – Shannon Pyziak

Interlake Development Corporation / Interlake Pioneer Trail – Allan Lindal and Tom Nevakshonoff

Interlake Weed Control – Tom Nevakshonoff

Hodgson Community Consultative Group – Boyd Abas

Local Urban District of Fisher Branch – Allan Lindal

Local Improvement Districts 1 and 2 Utilities – Ron Gagaluk; Clint Webb

Percy E. Moore Hospital/Dialysis/Integration Study – Tom Nevakshonoff; Boyd Abas

Fire Guardians – Ward Councillor; Reeve – At Large

Fire Guardians – LUD of Fisher Branch – LUD Committee Members

RM of Fisher Volunteer Fire Department *Standing Committee:*

Ron Gagaluk; Boyd Abas; Clint Webb

RM of Fisher Public Works and Human Resources *Standing Committee:*

Shannon Pyziak; Ron Gagaluk; Tom Nevakshonoff; Allan Lindal; Boyd Abas; Clint Webb

Recreation Commission & Parks – Clint Webb

Conservation District / Water Management / Environmental Management –

Icelandic River Sub-District Committee – Tom Nevakshonoff

Fisher River Sub-District Committee – Shannon Pyziak

Fisher River Citizen Representative – Laura Grzenda

Fisher Integrated Water Management – Boyd Abas

Fisher Veterinary Services District Board – Boyd Abas; Allan Lindal

Fisher Armstrong Planning District Board – Shannon Pyziak; Ron Gagaluk; Tom Nevakshonoff; Kelly Marykuca, Secretary

North East Interlake Emergency Measures Board – Shannon Pyziak; Kelly Marykuca
Community Protection/Crime Watch – Boyd Abas; Clint Webb
Recreation and Development *Standing Committee*:
Tom Nevakshonoff; Clint Webb; Allan Lindal; Boyd Abas
Tourism – Shannon Pyziak
Drainage *Standing Committee*: All Members of Council
Mantago Lake Campground – Tom Nevakshonoff; Allan Lindal; Clint Webb;
Ron Gagaluk
Homecoming Committee – Alan Lindal

CARRIED

13. Mobility Disadvantaged Transportation Program 2021

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Webb
22/21 **RESOLVED** that Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher sponsor the Mobility
Disadvantaged Transportation Program in 2021.

CARRIED

14. Drainage/Brushing/Pulling Shoulders Recap 2020

Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca presented Council a recap of the works completed
in 2020.

Adjournment:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk
23/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting
does hereby adjourn at 2:44 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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