



## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

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

Reeve Pyziak called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak  
182/23 **WHEREAS** the agenda for the Quarterly Meeting of Council has been circulated for them to review;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this agenda be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

New Business:  
8. Other

### Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
183/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on June 15, 2023, have been circulated for their review;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
184/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on June 27, 2023, have been circulated for their review;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

### Delegates:

#### 9:30 RCMP

Sargent Simard gave Council a report on monthly statistics.

### In Camera

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Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
185/23 **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:

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 Tanchak  
186/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

**CARRIED**

Council discussed concerns with crime/youth in the town of Fisher Branch.

## **10:00 NDP Candidate Sarah Pinset -Bardarson**

RM Councillors shared a list of concerns and topics for Sarah to comment on.

## **10:30 Field Stone Ventures**

Representatives from Fieldstones ventures explain what they do and what they provide to residents in the Interlake. Fieldstone ventures will work collaboratively with the RM to bring more courses and programs here to the area.

## **11:30 Archie Thompson**

Mr. Thompson attended the Council meeting in rebuttal to the fine that was imposed on him and burning without a permit. He stated that the fire was not set by him and was illegally lit.

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

187/23 **WHEREAS** a fine was imposed for the burning without a permit (Failure to comply with By-Law 1188/20)

**AND WHEREAS** landowner stated that the fire lit on the piles was done illegally and without his knowledge;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** upon review of the new information that has been brought forward, the fine will be overturned.

**CARRIED**

## **Financial:**

### **1. Approval of Accounts**

Moved by Councillor Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

188/23 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 6393 to 6445

Electronic Payments EFT to Pay Works 3045 to 3049;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$ 146,704.17

**CARRIED**

## **Budgetary Control Report**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

189/23 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated June 30, 2023 be hereby accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **Committee Reports:**

Deputy Reeve Abas spoke of the Hodgson Community Center. Repairs are required to the building. Interlake Forrest Center – Joanne Smith is interested in doing maintenance to the park but will be away. Grass requires cutting, last years maintenance person to be called. Deputy Reeve to speak to locals to pick up garbage.

Councillor Lindal spoke of LUD business, and he went on an Alvar Tour north of Fisher Branch. Council discussed of making the site in the RM of Fisher a star attraction and to look at potentially fencing off the area on the SE 26-25-2W. Map needs to be obtained from the Nature Conservancy of Canada. Councillor Lindal to ask the LUD of Fisher Branch their thoughts on a curfew for the Town.

## **Communications:**

### **1. Dustin Cymbalisty Wood Harvesting on ROW**

Request to harvest wood on RM right of way. Council reviewed the unimproved road allowance policy. Councillor Tanchak stated that there was large wood to be harvested on right of way. Council reviews the unimproved road allowance policy about the regulations around clearing an RM right of way. CAO presented request from previous years that Mr. Cymbalisty requested the RM road allowance cleared. Councillor Tanchak to inquire if Mr. Cymbalisty would like to harvest wood or clear road allowance.

### **2. Edward Bernier Ditching Request**

Mr. Bernier requested ditching by his property on SE 16-25-3W says that recent rainfalls have flooded his property. Request cleanout on 15W and 146N. He said that culvert is also blocked.

Public Works has inspected and seen beaver activity in area and hired municipal trapper to take care of the beavers. Environment And Climate was consulted and stated that a ditch cleanout at that corner would not alleviate the problem. Ditch can be done north of that quarter, but it is the private road on the NE quarter that is holding back the water from draining. Councillor Tanchak will however add road 15w to his brushing program for next year.

### **3. Meridian Drain Teams Meeting July 10, 2023 at 10 am**

Info Only

### **4. Letter of Resignation Handi-Van**

Reeve Pyziak has now accepted the position of Chair for a one-year term. Thank you to be sent to Mr. Dandeneau for all his years of service.

### **5. Visitation Shelters**

Info Only

### **6. Percy Fidler**

Mr. Fidler requested that the RM give the landowner of the derelict buildings in Hodgson a definitive timeline for demolition. He also requested that the construction site at the former legion be fenced off with a proper construction fence. CAO to write letter to landowner.

### **7. Ernest Abas Road Access Request N 30-25-1W**

Deputy Reeve Abas declared conflict.

Moved by Reeve Pyziak and seconded by Councillor Tanchak  
190/23 **WHEREAS** a request to provide road access to the N 30-25-1E was submitted to office;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the unimproved road allowance policy be followed at the landowners expense;  
**AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Fisher hire a Manitoba Land Surveyor to establish boundaries to the municipal right of way.

**CARRIED**

### **8. 26 Railway Avenue in Hodgson**

Properties require cleanup.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas  
191/23 **RESOLVED THAT** CAO draft and send letter to property owner of 26 Railway Avenue in Hodgson.

**CARRIED**

### **9. Brandon Kadoski**

WSP Engineer shared his news of accepting a position to WSP New Zealand with the help of the RM of Fisher Letter of recognition.

### **10. Jason Garrett**

Council reviewed Mr. Garretts request to reduce his tax arrears bill due to a change in address. CAO to draft letter to Mr. Garrett explaining the municipal act and to quote section of reference.

### **11. Military Recognition Book**

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
192/23 **RESOLVED THAT** a donation of \$260.00 to advertise in the "Military Service Recognition Book".

**CARRIED**

### **12. Donna and James Lindal**

SE 21-24-1E applying for permission to grant authority for second residence on property.  
Council approved.

## **Unfinished Business:**

### **1. Policies and Procedures**

1.a.) Third reading By-Law 1198/23

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas  
193/23 **RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. **1198/23**, being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of  
Fisher to appoint a Fire Chief and establish duties of Chief and Department be read a  
third and final time.

**CARRIED**

### **2. Lease**

Council is not in favor of exploring lease of mineral rights any longer.

### **3. Switzer Creek**

Update from Councillor Tanchak: Stapleton's not interested in ditching being done on their  
property. There was a block that was supposed to be installed the last time that ditching occurred  
and has never happened. Stapletons to contact Water Licensing Officer. Draining of wetlands are  
no longer permitted. NE 15-25-3W

### **4. Wheel – Chamber of Commerce**

Chamber to discuss if they will pursue the title transfer. Once meeting takes place, they will let  
Council know if they need assistance in legal action.

### **5. Gravel Program – Special Meeting July 17, 2023 at 9:00 am**

Info only

### **6. Brushing Tender**

Tenders presented were out of Budget for 2023. Councillors each allocated \$10,000.00 for  
brushing in each Ward. Councillor Lindal and Deputy Reeve Abas will be hiring and coordinate  
their own bid hourly contractor. Councilor Nevakshonoff, Councillor Gagaluk and Councillor  
Tanchak to work with Public Works Supervisor. Brushing must be done in a timely manner at a  
reasonable price.

### **7. Grass Cutting Tender**

Hamlet of Broad Valley

3 tenders were received and sealed tenders were opened at a Public meeting.

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
194/23 **RESOLVED THAT** Tristan Webb be awarded tender for the amount of \$300.00 per cut  
for the Hamlet of Broad Valley.

**CARRIED**

Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca left the room while the next tender was read.

Hamlet of Poplarfield

1 tender was received and sealed tender opened at a public meeting.

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak  
195/23 **RESOLVED THAT** Steve Marykuca be awarded tender for the amount of \$200.00 per  
cut for the Hamlet of Poplarfield.

**CARRIED**

No tenders were received for the Hamlet of Hodgson. CAO to contact Aurelle Meuilleur and  
Mike Smith for offer to award contract.  
RM lots in Hodgson.

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
196/23 **RESOLVED THAT** Gilbert Harper be awarded to cut lots in Hodgson.

**CARRIED**

## **8. Recreation Co-Ordinator**

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Reeve Pyziak and Deputy Reeve Abas to sit with Joanne and Dave Smith and discuss projects  
that they will undertake at the park. Aurele Meilleur to cut grass once again this year.

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
199/23 **RESOLVED THAT** Aaron Plett be hired as the Recreation Coordinator for a 1-year  
term with a 6 months probationary period.  
**AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all necessary criminal registry checks be preformed.

**CARRIED**

## **9. Welder for Shop**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
200/23 **RESOLVED THAT** quote for \$4,511.25 for a Everlast Power MTS 275 Lightning  
welder be accepted.

**CARRIED**

## **New Business**

### **1. Ward 7 – Drainage Request**

Tabled

### **2. Ward 3 – Illegal Drainage**

Road 138 and 3W ditching activity that had not come before Council. Photographic evidence  
submitted to Water Licensing Portal.

### **3. Mobile Radio for Kubota**

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
201 /23 **RESOLVED** that quote for CM 300d 25W Mobile Radio for \$884.00 be approved.

**CARRIED**

### **4. Ward 3 Ditch Cleanout request – require survey for east of 2-23-1W**

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
202/23 **WHEREAS** a ditch cleanout is required for road 133N  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Ward 3 Councillor hire a bid hourly  
contractor to preform said cleanout with license and survey on file.

**CARRIED**

### **5. Review – Application for Driveway Access Permit**

Tabled – review policy

**6. Issue No. 1 The Hub**

Council reviewed and made changes

**7. Ward 6 – Drainage Request**

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

203/23 **WHEREAS** a ditch cleanout is required on road 149N between roads 6W and 5W

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** bid hourly contractor be hired to preform ditch cleanout.

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

204/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 3:13 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Reeve

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