



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Deputy Reeve Abas, Councillors Lindal, Tanchak, Nevakshonoff (Phone), Galaluk and Chief Administrative Officer Marykuca

Reeve Pyziak called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Galaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal
138/23 **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

New Business
25. Drainage
26. Other
27. Crosswalk

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Galaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal
139/23 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on May 4, 2023 have been circulated for their review;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegates:

9:30 Reid and Miller

Jessie Miller from Reid and Miller went over the consolidated financial statements with Council. Tabled.

10:00 Western Financial

Charmaine Virtucio went over questions Council had of the insurance policy.

10:30 Tax Service

Gary Burnside, of TAXervice went over the process of charges related to TAXervice.

12:30 Environment Climate and Parks

Ginnette and Michael from Water Licensing went over a few projects Council would like to complete. They answered questions about licensing and fines.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Galaluk
140/23 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:
Cheque Nos. 6321 to 6392
Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3042 to 3044;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$ 187,667.45

CARRIED

Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
141/23 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated May 31, 2023
be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Gagaluk spoke of the event that the Chamber is hosting on succession planning for business owners.

Councillor Lindal spoke of LUD business and that there will be a homecoming next year for Fisher Branch.

Councillor Gagaluk spoke of East Interlake Watershed District, RM of Armstrong will be hosting a meeting regarding Ducks Unlimited progress. West Interlake Watershed purchased a new office building.

Reeve Pyziak spoke of EIWD and the Icelandic Watershed District, 25 people attended the Ag regen event in Fisher Branch. EIWD will be moving into their new building shortly.

Communications:

1. Nature Conservancy

Councillor Lindal and Councillor Nevakshonoff will attend the Alvar Tour.

2. IERHA

Healthcare Course coming to Fisher Branch. They are just trying to confirm the space at the Personal Care Home.

3. Kilkenny Cemetery Road

Administration to write letter to Cemetery President that if the gravel cost was donated on his own accord then RM can issue a charitable receipt.

4. Transportation and Infrastructure.

Letter received from Deputy Minister Russ Andrushuk – Info only.

5. Beavers – Chmil

Reeve Pyziak and Councillor Tanchak

Councillor Nevakshonoff to visit site and potentially have a ditch cleanout on Road 138N for mile west. Administration to check for survey and write correspondence to Mr. Chmil.

6. HandiVan's request to use Council room June 21-24

Approved by Council.

7. Tanners's Crossing

Administration to send out information to student.

8. New Family

Administration to contact East Immigrant Services.

Unfinished Business:

1. Policies and Procedures

Council to have a Policy Meeting June 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

2. Lease

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

3. Recreation Director

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk
142/23 **RESOLVED THAT** advertisement for Recreation Director be placed in the local paper.

4. Wayside Park/ Interlake Forest Center

In Camera

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Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
143/23 **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

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 Gagaluk
144/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

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

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
145/23 **RESOLVED THAT** security cameras to monitor staff will not be installed in the municipal office.

CARRIED

5. Brushing 2023

Administration asked for brushing maps to be finalized and advertisement be placed in the paper.

6. Ditching Ward 7 – Obelnicki Request

Council has discussed and future consideration may be given. At this time Councillor will investigate the downstream water networks. Public Works to investigate culvert malfunction.

7. Gravel Program 2023

CAO asked for Council's gravel maps to be turned in. Tabled.

8. Gravel Checker

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CARRIED

Public Works employee will perform the task as gravel checker this year.

9. Support Resolution

The RM of Fisher fully supports the resolution brought forward from the RM of Montcalm being:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

148/23 **WHEREAS** the current Federal DFA system provides funding to municipalities for
many natural disasters that occur; and

WHEREAS municipalities are thankful for this funding program; and

WHEREAS municipalities are required to work with the individual Provinces, such as
the Province of Manitoba via the Disaster Financial Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS there is a time lag between the payments that municipalities must pay for
restoration and the time they submit expense claims to the Province under these
programs; and

WHEREAS the local municipalities are then required to carry these costs, thereby
incurring Interest Charges; and

WHEREAS these interest charges can negatively affect the local municipalities and their
ratepayers; and

WHEREAS local municipalities only have one way of raising funds, namely via
taxation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba
to continue to lobby the Government of Canada to amend the Federal DFAA Program to
include eligibility for 'Carrying Costs' (or Interest) as a part of the program; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM request the Federation of Canadian
Municipalities (FCM) to lobby the Government of Canada on behalf of all Canadian
Municipalities to have the Government of Canada amend the DFAA Program to include
eligibility for 'Carrying Costs' (or Interest) as a part of the program;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to
reimburse municipalities for any carrying costs that they have incurred for disasters that
have occurred over the past five years.

CARRIED

New Business

1. Budget items

Tabled

2. Interlake District Meeting

Reeve and CAO to attend.

3. Field Stone Ventures

Tabled

4. Lot by Wheel in Fisher Branch

Tabled

5. News Letter

Tabled

6. Fire Permits Required Sign

Tabled

7. Fire Fines

a.) E 27-24-3W

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Lindal
149/23 **WHEREAS** Landowner of the E 27-24-3W has lit brush piles on fire;
AND WHEREAS Landowner has not obtained a permit from the municipal office;
THREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in contravene of By-Law 1188/70 landowner be
fined \$100.00 for first offence.

CARRIED

b.) 9-24-1E

Moved by Councillor Gagluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
150/23 **WHEREAS** Landowner of the 9-24-3W has lit brush piles on fire;
AND WHEREAS Landowner has not obtained a permit from the municipal office;
THREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in contravene of By-Law 1188/70 landowner be
fined \$100.00 for first offence.

CARRIED

c.) NW 21-25-3W

Fine will not be issued because Council has decided that this can be potentially arson.
Administration will keep record of event.

8. Mutual Aid Agreement

Send out for signatures

9. Service Canada

Moved by Councillor Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagluk
151/23 **WHEREAS** a request was made by Service Canada to find a facility to house the
department to continue services in the municipality.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council has agreed that Service Canada can
use the RM of Fisher office space from 10 am to 3 pm once a month.

CARRIED

10. Tender Grass Cutting Water Plant / Municipal Office

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
152/23 **WHEREAS** grass cutting services are required for the municipal office and water
treatment plant;
AND WHEREAS 3 tenders were received and opened at a public meeting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Denver Plett be awarded the tender for the water treatment and municipal office for \$75.00 per cut per location.

CARRIED

11. Monument restoration

Tabled

12. Grass Tenders Green Team

Administration to advertise.

13. CPR for Staff

Tabled

14. Replace Culvert on Road 12W

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
153/23 **WHEREAS** a culvert is found to be crushed and requires replacing on Road 12W;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works hire a bid hourly contractor to replace culvert with like for like size.

CARRIED

15. Ward 7 – Road 8W and 7W Rock Request

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
154/23 **WHEREAS** road 150N requires repair
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works hire bid hourly contractor to repair and place aggregate to fix the road surface.

CARRIED

16. Dust Control

Public Works to handle control this year.

17. School Bus Resolution

Tabled

18. Ward 7 Private Road Maintenance

Tabled

19. Xplore Update

Tabled

20. Munisoft Training

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
155/23 **WHEREAS** training for the municipal office program Munisoft is required for all new employees;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT quote from Munisoft for ½ day individual training be scheduled for Jerry Flett.

CARRIED

21. NDP Delegate for July Meeting – Questions

Council to have questions ready for quarterly meeting.

22. August Meeting

Tabled

23. Hydrant Inspections

Tabled

24. Stars Donation

Tabled

25. Drainage

Tabled

26. Other

Deputy Reeve Abas enquired as to if the MOU for the Road Haul agreement was completed and signed off by Public Works. He feels it is still not satisfactory. Administration to follow up.

27. Crosswalk

Tabled

Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

156/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:31 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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