

### THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

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

#### Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

114/23 **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 Communications 11. Parade for Filipino Festival

New Business 9. Vet Board 10. Ward 5 Ditching 11. Insurance Broker 12. Soccer Request 13. Other

#### **Confirming of Minutes**:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

 115/23 WHEREAS the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on April 12, 2023 have been circulated for their review;
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

#### CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk 116/23 WHEREAS the minutes for the Quarterly Meeting of Council held on

April 20, 2023 have been circulated for their review; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

#### **Delegates:**

#### 9:30 RCMP

RCMP presented Council with quarterly statistics.

#### **10:00 Mood Disorders of Manitoba**

Michael Carvalho and Rita Chahal spoke on behalf of the Mood Disorders Association of Manitoba.

#### 10:30 Rink Board

Aaron Plett, President of Fisher Branch Recreation Center Board attended to speak on behalf of the center with what the board has done and what they have planned for future events. The President also discussed the challenges of larger bills such as heating and insurance. They would like the canteen updated but it will be a costly renovation. Summer activities are planned.

# 1. Approval of Accounts

 Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal
 117/23 WHEREAS the following items have been submitted for approval of payment: Cheque Nos. 6270 to 6320
 Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3039 to 3041;
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$ 246,261.02.

# **Budgetary Control Report**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak 118/23 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated April 30, 2023 be hereby accepted as presented. **CARRIED** 

# 2. Budget

Moved By Councillor Lindal and Seconded by Councillor Tanchak

119/23 WHEREAS as per Section 304(1) of The Municipal Act a municipality must by By-Law adopt an annual financial plan/budget;
AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed and approved that By-Law No. 1201/23, being a by-law to adopt the 2023 Financial Plan/Budget;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this By-Law No. 1201/23 be hereby given final reading;

CARRIED

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Closure of Bus Garage**

Reeve Pyziak spoke of the plans for LakeShore School Division Closure of the bus garage in Fisher Branch. A letter is to be drafted by CAO to send off to the superintendent.

Deputy Reeve Abas spoke of the Vet Board and the need for increased funding.

Councillor Nevakshonoff spoke of the Icelandic Watershed District Sub Committee. Citizen rep Gordy Fuz was in attendance. He spoke of attracting potential projects, municipal projects, staged releases, tree planting and the Narcisse Ducks Unlimited properties. He will also consult with Water Resources on a few municipal projects that he would like to undertake this year.

Councillor Gagaluk spoke of the Chamber of Commerce, they are planning on having speakers for succession planning. Also he was in attendance on the ATV meet.

#### **Communications:**

#### 1. Terra Indigena

 Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
 120/23 RESOLVED THAT RM of Fisher purchase 1/8 page advertisement in the Terra Indigena Paper for the amount of \$90.00.

CARRIED

#### 2. Bell MTS Request

Council requires more info

#### 3. Fisher Air Cadets

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk 121/23 **RESOLVED THAT** RM of Fisher donate \$500.00 to the Fisher Air Cadets.

CARRIED

## 4. Petition in Support of MASC/RM of Pipestone

RM of Pipestone would like the support of RM of Fisher residents to sign their petition on the closure of local MASC offices in Manitoba.

#### 5. DFA Resolution RM of Montcalm

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

122/23 WHEREAS the RM of Montcalm has asked for the support of a resolution regarding lobbing the Government of Canada to amend the DFAA program to include eligibility for carrying costs and interest as part of the program.
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Fisher support and co-sponsor

the resolution put forward by the RM of Montcalm to the AMM June district meetings. CARRIED

#### 6. Access Agreement Request

Tabled CAO to gather more info from Province regarding fees to aggregate.

#### 7. Courageous Companions

Info Only

#### 8. FB Primary Care Clinic

Council received an update from Connie Nixon on the status of the Fisher Branch Primary Care Clinic. Reeve Pyziak to follow up, Council has issues about wait times.

#### 9. Poplarfield Hall FCC Grant

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

123/23 WHEREAS a request to partner with Poplarfield Community Center for the Farm Credit Canada Grant;

**AND WHEREAS** the Municipality requires to complete an Integrity Declaration Form **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Fisher supports the request in principal.

#### CARRIED

#### 10. Hodgson Motors

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded Councillor Gagaluk

124/23 **RESOLVED THAT** a letter be written to Hodgson Motors in regard to the cleanup of garbage on the property.

#### CARRIED

#### **11. Parade for Filipino Heritage**

125/23 WHEREAS a request for a parade for the Filipino Heritage Month was made;
 AND WHEREAS they require Tache closed from The Fisher Branch Recreation Center to the Wheel monument at the end of Tache.
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the municipality hereby grants the request to proceed with the parade on Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 11 a.m.

#### CARRIED

## **Unfinished Business:**

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

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

#### 2. Lease

Tabled – CAO to research cost of crusher

#### **3. June District Resolution**

**New Business** 

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal 126/23 WHEREAS the Canada Community-Building Fund is a permanent source of funding provided up front, twice a year, to provinces and territories, who in turn flow this funding to their municipalities to support local infrastructure priorities.

AND WHEREAS 90% of the money allocated to each Province and Territory is based on a per capita calculation;

AND WHEREAS rural population has decreased but the infrastructure has remained the same or increased.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Fisher hereby request AMM to lobby for a new calculation to distribute funds to cover the ever increasing price of maintaining infrastructure in our Province.

## CARRIED

# 4. Misc Letters for Approval

Council reviewed letters drafted by CAO to be sent out to various departments.

## 5. Osnach Request

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal

127/23 RESOLVED THAT administration apply for license and hire bid hourly contractor for drain clean out on the NE 18-22-1W.

## CARRIED

Future Cleanout will require easement to be filed on landowners property for drain access.

### 6. Wayside Park Employee

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

128/23 RESOLVED THAT RM of Fisher post advertisement for 1 (one) seasonal groundskeeper at the Interlake Forrest Center from June to September (weather permitting)

### CARRIED

## 7. By-Law 1198/23 Fire Dept

Tabled till policy meeting

## 8. Ward 3 – Twp 24-Range 1 W

CAO to send letter to ratepayer about request to Councillor Gagaluk on drain cleanout.

#### 9. Recreation Director

Tabled Reeve Pyziak to send Councillors job description to review.

## **10. Website Design**

Councillors were given a link to view the draft website.

## 11. Brushing 2023

CAO and Public Works supervisor listed by Ward areas that are of concern and require brushing. To be reviewed by the Councillor and brought back at next meeting. One large tender will be advertised.

## 12. WSP

Pavel Pimenov gave Council an update on the final repairs for DFA repairs.

## 1. Fire Department – Quarterly Update

Administration provided Council with an update on quarterly calls.

## 2. a.) Disposal Site Hours

Council discussion

### b.) Tipping fees for mattresses etc.

**Council Discussion** 

### 3. AED Sale

 Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and Councillor Nevakshonoff
 129/23 RESOLVED THAT an AED from St Johns Ambulance be purchased for \$1,699.00 for the municipal office.

CARRIED

### 4. Ward 4 – Kopec Request

Councillor Ward 4 to consult with drainage officer on area of concern.

### 5. Ward 6 – LL Crossing

CAO to consult with drainage officer on recommendations.

### 6. Hodgson Fire Well

Info Only – may have to move to a new location.

### 7. Surplus Funds

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

130/23 WHEREAS allocation of funds were approved at the time of the 2022 Financial Plan; AND WHEREAS the Municipality has identified variances in these budgeted expenditures resulting in surplus or deficit funds; THREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Council approve the additional following transfers as indicated; and same be represented in the final 2022 Audited Financial Statements.

#### General Fund Surplus to General Reserve: \$ 50,000.00 General Fund Surplus to Machinery Reserve: \$200,000.00

## CARRIED

## 8. MOU for NEIEMB

MOU for signing at NEIEMB meeting

#### 9. Vet Board

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

131/23 WHEREAS the Fisher Vet Board requests a letter of support be sent to lobby the government of Manitoba for increased funding for Rural Manitoba Veterinary Clinics. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Fisher Veterinary Clinics request.

CARRIED

#### 10. Ward 5 Ditching Request

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

132/23 WHEREAS a cleanout is required on the NW 19-24-1E ditch on Road "O"

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a survey and license be ordered for the NW 19-24-1E ditch cleanout, Ward 5.

CARRIED

#### 11. Insurance Broker

Delegation June 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

# 12. Soccer Request

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

133/23 WHEREAS a request was made to fund the painting of lines for the summer soccer program;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** RM of Fisher financially support the summer soccer program and the painting of the soccer lines.

#### CARRIED

#### 13. Other

Nil

# In Camera

#### In Camera:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

134/23 **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 Lindal

135/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

#### CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

136/23 WHEREAS a request by Walker Lappage was made to attend Olds College in Alberta to receive 1<sup>st</sup> year welding apprenticeship.
 AND WHEREAS the request was made to fund tuition for the amount of \$1,709.39;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** upon successful completion Council will reimburse Walker Lappage \$854.70 and written agreement to 1 year employment for the year 2024.

#### CARRIED

#### Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

137/23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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