



## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Emergency meeting COVID-19 of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on March 23, 2020 in Fisher Branch, Manitoba via teleconference

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

Absent: Councillor Webb, Nevakshonoff

Also Present: Chairman Dave Plett, Member Tannis Chudy, Member Jessie Plett, Fire Chief Patrick Davey, Emergency Co-Ordinator Warren Toderan

Reeve Pyziak called the meeting to order at 9:34

A Special Emergency meeting was called via teleconference in light of the new COVID-19 virus that has escalated in Manitoba.

Reeve Pyziak has updated Council and guests on a request made by Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority. Their request was to increase the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home capacity by one. The request was made to the Fisher Armstrong Planning District because it would be in violation of the building permit. The Fisher Armstrong Planning District has made its comments and recommendation and have sent those to the IERHA.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

70/20 **WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of Fisher has received an email dated March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from the Office of the Fire Commissioner to the Interlake Regional Health Authority and it is understood that the pandemic has presented some very challenging areas for anticipated increase in patient care and that there will be demand for hospital beds within the province;  
**WHEREAS** the RM of Fisher understands that there is potential for the Fisher Personal Care Home to temporarily increase capacity;  
**WHEREAS** the Fisher understands that there is a request from the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority to convert an office in the Fisher Personal Care Home into a patient bed and have read and understood the recommendations by the Office of the Fire Commissioner;  
**AND WHEREAS** we hire out all fire inspections to be done as we do not have a certified fire safety inspector and we do not have anyone in our municipalities to perform a certified fire inspection;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Rural Municipality of Fisher supports the Office of the Fire Commission's response to increase the bed occupancy by one in the Fisher Personal Care Home as per their recommendations outlined in their email to the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority CEO, Ron Van Denakker, dated March 18, 2020;  
**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that copies of the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority revised emergency response plan for the Fisher Personal Care Home be made available to the Rural Municipality of Fisher and the Fisher Fire Department;  
**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that once the pandemic is under control the temporary room be then converted back to the office space and resident be returned to appropriate hospital.

**CARRIED**

Administration has reported that regular updates are made to the website, phone conferences are happening daily with Municipal Services, and one on March 25, 2020 with Emergency Services.

Next meeting March 23, 2020 at 1:30 via teleconference for Councillors

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Reeve

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