



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Deputy Reeve Abas, Councillors Tanchak, Gagluk, Lindal, Nevakshonoff and Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca
Call to Order: 9:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagluk

72/25 **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 presented.

CARRIED

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Gagluk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

73/25 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 20, 2025 have been circulated for their review;

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

CARRIED

Delegates:

9:30

RCMP

Did not attend

10:00

Darcy Plett – Economic Development

Did not attend

10:30 Public Hearing – Glacier North Limited CU 20-25

Pursuant to sections 169 and 170 of the Planning Act with respect to By-Law 1055/00 to issue a conditional use permit for the NE 25-22-2W currently zoned AG (agricultural) to a conditional use of natural resource development (aggregate quarry).

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

74/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the Council meeting adjourn at 10:30 a.m. and that Council resolve into a Public Hearing to hear all presentations, written and verbal to issue a conditional use for a conditional use of natural resource development (aggregate quarry).

CARRIED

Chairperson Shannon Pyziak began the hearing at 10:30 a.m. to hear representation, answer questions, or receive objections to the conditional use application under By-Law 1055/00.

Proof of notice was provided by recording secretary, Kelly Marykuca

3 people were in attendance. Ken Stadnek, Dan Kosc, Wendy Yuzwa.

Ken Stadnek was in attendance to make representation for the conditional use application. Ken stated that the proposal is to start a gravel pit and granular material. They have a potential contract with Tria Products. Existing access on property to Highway 17. Access to property approved by Dan Kosc. Will discuss with Broad Valley Colony about access to property via their lease. They will be blasting 400 meters from the nearest residence. Company out of Stonewall - they will be performing the blast with a seismograph. No crushing will take place on the

weekend. Council can determine the appropriate hours for crushing. Will agree to a Road Haul agreement if required. Depth of quarry will be maximum 20 feet. If pumping is needed they will obtain a water license.

No written representation was received.

Wendy Yuzwa was in attendance to express concerns of the conditional use. She is concerned if her well will collapse. Her well is about 40 to 50 feet. Also if there are any windows or structural problems to the home after blasting. She also would like to be notified of the date and time of the blast.

Chairman Shannon Pyziak declared the receipt of presentations complete and conclude the Public Hearing at 10:58 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas.

75/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the Public Hearing resolve into a meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

76/25 **WHEREAS** a Public Hearing was held on April 2, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. to hear representation of a conditional use for natural resource development on the NE 25-22-2W by Glacier North Limited.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT conditional use for natural resource development on the NE 25-22-2W be approved and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following conditions apply:

- Crushing take place Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. only
- If water requires to be pumped from quarry a water right license needs to be obtained from the Province of Manitoba
- Damaged infrastructure relating to blasting within a 1 (one) mile radius of blast, which includes nearby wells, windows and structures be remedied by Glacier North Limited.
- Private wells to be tested prior to work being started is the responsibility of Glacier North Limited (Yuzwa and Podaima)
- Blast be directed west by certified blaster
- Residence within 1 (one) mile be notified before blast
- Municipal roads utilized by Glacier North Limited or customers thereof be subject to Municipal Road Haul Agreements

CARRIED

11:00

Northern Trailblazers

Dustin Cymbalisty made representation for the Northern Trailblazers club. He has come to Council for a solution for the Texas Gate located on the Interlake Pioneer Trail. The Groomer cannot go over the gates there, breaking numerous cleats. There are 2 (two) gates located on the trail.

Dan Kosc, owner of the Texas gates was also present. Mr. Kosc stated that he has never been reimbursed for the \$975.00 for repairs made in the past where the groomer took our part of his fence. Councillor Lindal to contact the Interlake Pioneer Trail for Kosc's reimbursement as it happened before the municipality took ownership. Mr. Kosc to make up invoice and give to the RM. Mr. Kosc stated Texas gate can be cut and reconfigured.

Council decided on the following options:

- Gate to be straightened to remove hump (Ok with Mr. Kosc) and reinstalled by the snowmobile club. Specifications remain in place. Club to be responsible for cattle getting out and crop damage.
- Snowmobile club can go around using the nearby crown land
- Bury the gate with snow to create a passible ramp

Mr. Kosc and Northern trailblazers to receive criteria via written letter.

Signed contract for trail usage is required.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

77/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 7705 to 7756

Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3117-3121

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$147,624.67

CARRIED

2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

78/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated March 31, 2025 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Gagaluk – Firehall Spring Wildfire seminar. Cameron Myers does not have spring fire outlook yet.

Councillor Lindal – LUD meeting to be rescheduled. Speed signs to be ordered soon.

Reeve Pyziak – EIWD approved a few more projects. MAAW to meet with CPAWS. Reeve spoke of CPAWS to meet with Council soon.

Regen Ag Seminar held at the Ukrainian Hall

Councillor Nevakshonoff – Spoke of the WIWD, discussion on conservation areas. Attended Weed District Board meeting. Spotted Nap Weed has been located in district is causing concern.

Deputy Reeve Abas – Hodgson Community Club meeting

Councillor Tanchak – Rink received cheque from municipality for \$5,000.00. Carnival was a success \$4,800 was made. Edger is required which will cost the club \$7,000.00.

Communications:

1. Fisher Branch Collegiate Scholarship

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

79/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the Rural Municipality of Fisher award (2) two scholarships to the Fisher Branch Collegiate 2025 graduating class towards the following areas of study:

\$150.00 Skilled Trades/Agriculture

\$150.00 Furthering Education

CARRIED

2. Fisher Branch Playground Enhancement Fund

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

80/25 **WHEREAS** a request for donation to the Fisher Playground Enhancement Project was made

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$250.00 be donated as well as municipal equipment and physical labor from staff and Council if required.

CARRIED

3. Evergreen School Division Meet and Greet Breakfast

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

81/25 **RESOLVED THAT** Reeve Pyziak and Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca attend the Evergreen School Division meet and Greet Breakfast in Gimli on May 5, 2025.

CARRIED

4. 2025 Wildfire Seminar

CAO Kelly Marykuca, Public Works Supervisor Phil Lappage, Fire Chief Gord Wevursky, and EMC Warren Toderan attend virtually.

5. Letter from East Interlake Watershed District

Letter concerning landowner drilling wells to drain wetlands from EIWD.

6. Fred Skorpet

Request Bottle creek cleanout numerous times. Would like Councillor to call him.

Unfinished Business

1. Whitetail Woods

Councillor Nevakshonoff has had discussions with Jennifer from Barnes and Duncan about Alvar in area which may be problematic. KGS group to discuss holding tanks for septic. Fens appear also to be problematic. Northern Edge has potential. Reeve Pyziak told hydro to hold off with quote till we know more. Project to be decided by May if it will go ahead or not.

2nd Project will be upgrade road 138 north East of highway 17 for 3 miles. Survey should be done prior to work and RFP.

Surveyor to provide 3 miles of survey and then we can have 3 phases to project.

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

82/25 **RESOLVED THAT** Lankhout Surveys be hired to survey 3 miles of road 138 N and obtain a quote for RFP draft.

CARRIED

Public Works Supervisor came to discuss condition of road.

Councillor Tanchak discussed road haul agreement on Road 146N. Councillors to do their own road haul agreements going forward.

2. Animal Alliance

Tabled - Meeting On April 16 Vet board meeting

3. Gravel Checker

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

83/25 **WHEREAS** the gravel checker position has been advertised

AND WHEREAS 2 resumes have been submitted

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Christian Leones be hired for the 2025 gravel season.

CARRIED

4. Poplarfield Custodian

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

84/25 **WHEREAS** disposal site custodian for Poplarfield was advertised

AND WHEREAS 4 resumes were received

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Danny Shepit be hired for the Poplarfield Disposal site.

CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

85/25 **WHEREAS** transfer site custodian for Hodgson is required for medical leave coverage

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Max Coutu be hired for the Hodgson

Transfer site as a temporary casual for medical leave replacement.

CARRIED

5. Drainage

- a.) Sleeve Lake – Province is unsure of next steps. CAO to discuss with lawyer on next steps.
- b.) Licensing – Contents of the survey has been missing key areas for Provincial Staff. 5 year and older profiles are no longer accepted. Set up meeting between drainage officers, Council and Surveyor.
- c.) Councillor Ward 7 Conflict – Councillor Tanchak made a drainage complaint to the Province while not on Council. The Province now is following up on that complaint, and Councillor Tanchak, now as capacity of Councillor would like to declare conflict. Councillor Nevkashonoff to now step in as liaison for School Lake complaint.

6. Property by Wheel

Consult with LUD to Purchase property. Make offer to purchase. Deputy Reeve to discuss property with the Hellegards and report back to Council next meeting.

7. Calcium on Upgraded Roads.

Improvements have been made to upgrade Road 1E and Road 148N. Calcium application will be paid for by the municipality to maintain the integrity of the road.

8. Fenced Road Allowance

2 letters have been sent to landowner about the fence that runs across the municipal right of way. There have been two verbal complaints made to the office. Council would like the request to now come in writing to the office to add to the agenda, stating the reason why ratepayer needs access to that particular right of way, why they cannot access this quarter from their own surrounding land, and what the intentions are to use a dozer on his property.

New Business

1. Stuart Guard Culvert Request NE 20-24-2W

Reeve Pyziak declared conflict and left the room

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Councillor Tanchak
86/25 **WHEREAS** a request was made to install a culvert on the NW 20-24-2W due to significant overland flooding and collapsed culvert to the north
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT license be applied for an installation of new culvert not more than upstream or downstream sized culvert.
 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT bid hourly contractor be hired to install said culvert once license has been approved.

CARRIED

2. 2025 June District Meetings

Resolution be put forth of bottle depot recycling program

3. Other – News Letter

Council has till Friday April 4, 2025 to provide comment – if none staff will send out newsletter

9. In Camera

In Camera:

Nil

Adjournment:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded Councillor Nevakshonoff
87/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 12:51 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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

