



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Councillors Tanchak, Gagaluk, Nevakshonoff, Lindal, and Chief Administrative Officer Kelly

Call to Order: 9:01 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

1/25 **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 with additions.

CARRIED

Under New Business:

- Texas Gate
- Vet Clinic

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

2/25 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 19, 2024 have been circulated for their review;

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

CARRIED

Delegates:

9:00

MLA Derek Johnson

MLA Derek Johnson provided Council with an update of regional issues that he is working on. Currently Riverdale Place is looking at closing its doors and to move residents to Gimli. Council should write a letter of support to keep services here to Minister Nahanni Fontaine. They have been in Arborg for 49 years.

CFS Property in Hodgson

Fisher Ambulance – Reeve asked about ambulance attendant for our area. Provincial dollars should be used for building.

Councillor Tanchak posed the question of Provincial Drains being offloaded onto municipalities.

Minister Bushies was consulted on Predation at the AMM convention. Derek Johnson commented on proposed changes to program that have been tried in the past.

PR 224 – what will be the detour route for the upgrade of the highway going through Peguis.

Broad Valley Community Center was presented with a plaque for 100 years.

10:30

RCMP

Local detachment gave stats on RM of Fisher occurrences for the month.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

3/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 7517 to 7583

Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3107 to 3110;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$521,978.56.

CARRIED

2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

4/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated December 31, 2024 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Lindal – spoke to LUD matters. Reeve Pyziak noted that lights are burnt out on the vet building that requires attention.

Communications:

1. Ronald McDonald House

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

5/25 **RESOLVED THAT** \$250.00 be donated to Ronald McDonald House

CARRIED

2. Fisher Branch Collegiate

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

6/25 **RESOLVED THAT** \$250.00 be donated to the Fisher Branch greenhouse and growing spaces.

CARRIED

Unfinished Business

1. Whitetail Woods

Province has approved the WARR Report on area. CAO to set up Zoom meeting with Armand Belanger and Jennifer Lynn from Barnes and Duncan.

2. Tile Drainage

Drainage officer to attend Council meeting in February.

The following is requested:

- Legislation impacting decision made by the municipality
- Cause and effect
- General information about tile drainage

3. Life Insurance

Tabled. Speaker on topic to call in at next meeting.

4. Animal Alliance

Deputy Reeve was to speak to the local vet to see if they would be willing to do program and bring back to the Council table.

5. Mike Haliuk

Pictures shared with Council of Christmas Eve Ceremony.

6. 23-23-2W

Reeve Pyziak declared conflict and left the room. Deputy Reeve Abas took over as Chair.

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal

7/25 **WHEREAS** inspection of area by Ward 4 Councillor at 23-23-2W has determined that culvert was made with inadequate materials and needs to be changed to bring up to today's standards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works replace culvert Spring of 2025.

CARRIED

CAO to write a letter to Mr. Pyziak.

New Business

Reeve Pyziak returned to Chair meeting.

1. Organizational By-Law 1182/19 review

Committees Review

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

8/25 **RESOLVED** that the Rural Municipality of Fisher approves appointments and or standing committees of Council as follows:

Deputy Reeve – Boyd Abas

Community Futures / East Interlake – Shannon Pyziak

Interlake Development Corporation / Interlake Pioneer Trail – Allan Lindal and Tom Nevakshonoff

Interlake Weed Control – Tom Nevakshonoff

Hodgson Community Consultative Group – Boyd Abas

Local Urban District of Fisher Branch – Allan Lindal

Local Improvement Districts 1 and 2 Utilities – Ron Gagaluk; Robert Tanchak

Percy E. Moore Hospital/Dialysis/Integration Study – Tom Nevakshonoff; Boyd Abas

Fire Guardians – Ward Councillor; Reeve – At Large

Fire Guardians – LUD of Fisher Branch – LUD Committee Members

RM of Fisher Volunteer Fire Department *Standing Committee:*

Ron Gagaluk; Allan Lindal, Robert Tanchak

RM of Fisher Public Works and Human Resources *Standing Committee:*

All of Council

Recreation Commission & Parks – Tom Nevakshonoff

Conservation District / Water Management / Environmental Management –

Icelandic River Sub-District Committee – Tom Nevakshonoff

Fisher River Sub-District Committee – Shannon Pyziak

Fisher River Citizen Representative – Vacant

Fisher Integrated Water Management – Boyd Abas

Fisher Veterinary Services District Board – Boyd Abas; Allan Lindal

Fisher Armstrong Planning District Board – Shannon Pyziak; Ron Gagaluk;

Tom Nevakshonoff; Kelly Marykuca, Secretary

North East Interlake Emergency Measures Board – Shannon Pyziak; Kelly Marykuca

Community Protection/Crime Watch – Boyd Abas; Robert Tanchak

Recreation and Development *Standing Committee:*

Tom Nevakshonoff; Allan Lindal; Boyd Abas

Tourism – Tom Nevakshonoff

Drainage *Standing Committee:* All Members of Council

Mantago Lake Campground – Tom Nevakshonoff; Allan Lindal; Robert Tanchak;

Ron Gagaluk

Homecoming Committee – Alan Lindal

CARRIED

2. Indemnities By-Law 1205/24 Review

By-Law reviewed, no change.

3. Vet Board Levy for 2025

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

9/25 **RESOLVED** THAT the Provincial payment requirements for The Fisher Veterinary Services District of \$20,000.00 be made.

CARRIED

4. Review of 2023 Consolidated Financial Statements

Tabled.

5. Spring Ditching

CAO presented Council with list of potential sites for removal of snow from ditches once spring thaw has started. Public Works to view list and hire contractor as needed.

List updated as per each Ward Councillor

6. Percy E. Moore Hospital Consultation Group Reps required

Councillor Tom Nevakshonoff and Deputy Reeve Abas to attend.

7. Budget 2025

Budget meeting scheduled for January 28, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

8. Texas Gate

Texas Gate was removed from the Interlake Pioneer Trail without permission by the Northern Trailblazers Snowmobile Club. Bill to be sent to club for unauthorized removal in 2024 and in spring bill be will sent to club again for removing it this fall.
Contract needs to be signed for usage of the Trail.

9. In Camera

In Camera:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

10/25 **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 Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gageluk

11/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

Possible acquisition of property.

Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
12/24 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting
does hereby adjourn at 12:28 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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