



## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the regular meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at the Ukrainian National Home.

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

Deputy Reeve Abas called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

### Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
53/21 **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 Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
54/21 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 3, 2021 have been circulated for their review;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.  
**CARRIED**

### Delegates:

Corporal Garten gave a report of crime and occurrences in the area and answered questions Council had.

Maha Salih from Fisher Branch Pharmacy presented her request to purchase 15 Tache Street to place a modular building to house a new pharmacy and pizza restaurant.

Fred Paulson, Interlake Weed Control District – gave an estimate of this year's weed control program. Asked for Councillors to have brushing miles in for April meeting.

### Financial:

#### 1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Webb  
55/21 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:  
Cheque Nos. 4326 to 4393 and  
Electronic Payments EFT 1789 to 1812;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$88,890.38.  
**CARRIED**

#### 2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Webb  
56 /21 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated March 3, 2021 be hereby accepted as presented.  
**CARRIED**

## **Reports of Committees:**

Councillor Lindal – LUD is working on town beautification and applying for grants for funding for various projects. Budget discussions are taking place.

## **Communications:**

### **1. Dustin Cymbalisky**

The Rural Municipality of Fisher is not interested in clearing any Municipal right of ways at this time. CAO to draft letter to Mr. Cymbalisky.

### **2. Mayors, Reeves and CAO Meeting Request**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
57/21 **RESOLVED** that Reeve Pyziak and Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca attend the 2021 regional Mayors, Reeves and CAO meeting on April 13, 2021 via Zoom.

**CARRIED**

### **3. Ronald McDonald House**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
58/21 **RESOLVED** that a donation for \$250.00 be made to Ronald McDonald House Charities.

**CARRIED**

### **4. Stars Thank you**

Info Only

### **5. RM of Riding Mountain West re: Night Hunting**

Positive response by all Councillors of the letter written about concerns of night hunting that the RM of Riding Mountain has. They have encouraged all Councillors to go online and sign the e-petition.

### **6. Johnny Bernier Request drainage cleanout**

Ward 7 Councillor Webb will call Mr. Bernier to discuss concerns.

## **Unfinished Business:**

### **1. Broad Valley Drain**

CAO to schedule a meeting with the committee.

### **2. Treaty Land Entitlement**

No new info

### **3. Request for proposals - Audit services for 2021-2023**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
59/21 **WHEREAS** the RM of Fisher requires audit services for the years 2021, 2022, 2023;  
**AND WHEREAS** the Fisher District Handi Van requires audit services;  
**AND WHEREAS** one quote was received;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Reid and Miller Chartered Professional Accountants Inc. be awarded to preform audit services for the municipality for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. COVID-19 Vaccination RCMP Resolution**

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councilor Lindal

60/21 **WHEREAS**, various decision-making authorities across the country are currently prioritizing in what order people are to be vaccinated for the Covid-19 virus, and

**WHEREAS**, little to no mention has been made of prioritizing members of the RCMP and other police forces when the topic of first responders is discussed, and

**WHEREAS**, our police forces are literally on the front line in the very face of the pandemic on a daily basis most often in situations which are the very definition of chaotic and uncontrolled, and

**WHEREAS**, our police forces are vital in maintaining the stability and security of our society at large.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that a very high priority be given to the vaccination of members of the RCMP and other police forces as the role they play is crucial in the struggle to contain the Covid-19 pandemic.

**CARRIED**

#### **5. War Memorial**

Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca has spoken with Mr. Desjarlais, committee member of the Rolling Memories Museum in regard to the placement of a war memorial on the grounds of the museum. The committee was in favor of the memorial placed at their location but had some questions as to location, insurance etc.

#### **6. Utility Rate Adequacy Study**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Webb

61/21 **WHEREAS** a Utility Rate Adequacy Study is required for the Public Utilities Board **AND WHEREAS** Way To Go Consulting Inc. has preformed a Utility Rate Adequacy study for the RM of Fisher;

**AND WHEREAS** the study has indicated the rates are adequate;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Utility Rate Adequacy Study be submitted to the Public Utilities Board for consideration.

**CARRIED**

#### **7. Valley Fiber**

Info Only.

#### **8. Clearing of Municipal Right of Ways By-Law review**

Tabled

#### **9. Interlake Tourism Drift Scape**

Tabled

#### **10. MGEU Meeting**

Via teleconference March 8, 2021 at 10:00 to discuss the closure of the Agriculture Office in Fisher Branch

### **New Business**

#### **1. RM Shop Lights**

CAO to obtain more quotes

#### **2. Assistant Utility Operator Position**

More advertising required in the town of Fisher Branch. Call references for resumes received.

### **3. SWANA certification for disposal sites**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
62/21 **RESOLVED** Brent Thomas; custodian apply for training through SWANA to obtain license for certification.

**CARRIED**

### **4. Municipal Private Works Policy**

CAO to check if liability is part of our insurance policy for private works. Private Works is only to be done once all municipal roads are cleaned. Policy that was presented for review is tabled till policy review meeting.

### **5. Bid Hourly**

Council was provided the 2021 Bid Hourly Contractor List

### **6. Fire Protection Grant**

The RM of Fisher was awarded \$43,293.32 to purchase a new Jaws of Life to use for the fire department.

### **7. Ward 5 Drain Cleanout Requests SW 21-24-1 E N ditch and SE 19-24-1E West Ditch**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk  
63/21 **WHEREAS** a drainage cleanout is required for SE 19-24-1E and SW 21-24-1E in Ward 5;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Councillor for Ward 5 hire a bid hourly contractor and order survey to complete drainage cleanout, administration to apply for license.

**CARRIED**

### **8. Quote to retrofit shop for Handi-Van**

CAO to obtain more quotes.

### **9. Spring Snow Removal**

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal  
64/21 **WHEREAS** Road 133N and 134N required snow ditching  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** Councillor Ward 3 hire a bid hourly contractor to clean snow to prevent spring flooding.

**CARRIED**

### **10. Clearing of Roads – Ward 7**

Councillor Webb Ward 7 feels the Snow Clearing Policy needs to be reviewed to add weekend residences to snowplow routes.

### **11. Non-Rate Payers using School Division**

Councillor Webb would like the RM to inquire to Lakeshore School division about the process of establishing who is a residence in the RM.

### **12. Budget 2021 Review**

Tabled

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff  
65/21 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting  
does hereby adjourn at 12:19 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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