



Rural Municipality of Stuartburn
Minutes of the regular council meeting of Tuesday May 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Municipal Council Chambers, Vita, Manitoba

Present: Reeve Jim Swidersky Deputy Reeve John Gawronsky
 Councillors: Ed Penner, Christine Friesen and Konrad Narth
 Chief Administrative Officer Lucie Maynard, CMAA

Reeve Swidersky called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

129-14 Moved by Konrad Narth Seconded by Ed Penner

WHEREAS the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 6, 2014 are correctly recorded as presented,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the May 6, 2014 meetings be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Delegation: Weed Supervisor Chad Cote was unable to attend.

Reception of Petitions: Nil

Notice of Motions: Nil

By-Laws and Policies: Nil

Accounts:

130-14 Moved by Konrad Narth Seconded by Christine Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT cheques 20140274 - 20140300 inclusive, in the amount of \$61,178.06 be approved and paid as presented and further broken down as follows:

- Payroll \$3,950.93
- Road Maintenance \$ 23,903.27
- Utilities \$ 2,934.76
- Fire Department Expenses \$ 1,315.65
- Office & Building Expenses \$ 5,972.91
- Landfill Expenses \$ 6,557.43
- Weed Board Levy \$16,543.11

Councillor Gawronsky abstained from voting.

Carried

131-14 Moved by Ed Penner Seconded by Konrad Narth

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial statement for the month ending April 30th, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Carried

132-14 Moved by John Gawronsky Seconded by Christine Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities and Expenses in the amount of \$8,360.94 cheques 20140301 - 20140310, be approved and paid as presented.

Carried

Communications & Correspondence:

| <i>From</i> | <i>Subject</i> | <i>Disposition</i> |
|----------------------|---|--------------------|
| CAO | CAO report | Resolution #133 |
| OFC | Smoke Detector Sensitivity Testing | Information |
| Sundown Coalition | Open Public Forum | Information |
| Canada Day Committee | Invite & request to Sponsor Pancake Breakfast | Resolution #134 |
| RM of La Broquerie | Notice of Rezoning | Information |
| MIT | Grant in aid funding approval | Information |

133-14 Moved by Konrad Narth

Seconded by John Gawronsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby accepts the CAO report dated May 5th to May 16th, 2014 as presented. **Carried**

134-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by Christine Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that council hereby approves to sponsor the Pancake Breakfast for the Canada Day Festivities. **Carried**

General Business

135-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by John Gawronsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby provides grant monies to the following organizations in:

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| - Ukrainian Museum & Village Society Inc. | \$ 4,000.00 |
| - Vita Canada Day Committee | \$ 5,000.00 |
| - Vita Arena | \$ 6,884.40 |
| - Vita Curling Club | \$ 6,000.00 |
| - Vita Friendship Centre | \$ 2,000.00 |
| - Vita Cheer Board | \$ 500.00 |
| - Zhoda Community Hall | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Total | \$ 26,384.40 |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds will be paid to said organizations after they provide copies of paid invoices that support the objectives outlined in the grant request. **Carried**

136-14 Moved by Christine Friesen

Seconded by Konrad Narth

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following individuals be appointed as designated trappers for the R.M. of Stuartburn during 2014:

Maurice Tkachuk, Dennis Penner, Ian Penner, Ken Gurman, Warren Bilawchuk, Larry Kraynyk, Darryl Kantimer, Ken Gigolyk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the direction of the ward councilor, via workorder, trappers will be reimbursed \$40 for each beaver removed from a designated area after submitting whole beavers to the Reeve. **Carried**

137-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by John Gawronsky

WHEREAS bids to supply and deposit crushed gravel on various municipal roads for 2014 were received from:

- Border Ridge \$6.95/T Traffic Gravel & \$4.25/T Pit Run
- Nelson River \$16.00/T Traffic Gravel & \$16.00/T Pit Run
- Derksen Trucking \$6.25/T Traffic Gravel & \$4.62/T Pit Run
- Diamond Construction \$15.90/T Traffic Gravel & \$15.35/T Pit Run

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a contract for approximately 12,000T of crushed gravel be awarded to Derksen Trucking at the price of \$6.25/T and \$4.62/T for any required pit run material.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Derksen Trucking be responsible to pay for dust control on his designated truck hauling route. **Carried**

138-14 Moved by John Gawronsky

Seconded by Christine Friesen

WHEREAS Tenders were requested to cut the grass at the municipal office and Fire Hall grounds for 2014;

AND WHEREAS three tenders were received:

- Paul Peters - \$120.00/cut
- Shirley & Megan Wiebe - \$85.00/cut
- Jerry Lubiansky - \$57.00/cut

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby award the grass cutting tender to Jerry Lubiansky at \$57.00/cut to cut the grass at the municipal office and Fire Hall under the direction of the municipal office for the 2014 summer season. **Carried**

139-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by Konrad Narth

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council hereby hires Brandyn Smook & Justine Sesiuk, effective June 23rd, 2014, as casual workers at the landfill site, and to perform other duties as may be assigned by Council. Reimbursement shall be \$11.90/hour. **Carried**

140-14 Moved by Konrad Narth

Seconded by Christine Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2014 tax sale be held December 2nd, 2014 at 1:00 pm at the Rural Municipality of Stuartburn council chambers. **Carried**

141-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by John Gawronsky

WHEREAS the lands within RM of Stuartburn are prime habitat areas for wildlife, endangered species and tall grass prairies;

AND WHEREAS the Nature Conservancy of Canada has been actively acquiring substantial tracts of property within the municipality for aforesaid purposes;

AND WHEREAS the RM contains numerous quarter sections of unoccupied and leased Crown Lands, most suitable and conducive for wildlife, thereby making further land acquisition by the Nature Conservancy of Canada counterproductive and unnecessary;

AND WHEREAS the Nature Conservancy of Canada retains all of its property in natural state without any improvements resulting in low assessments and low property taxes;

AND WHEREAS such practices by the Nature Conservancy of Canada has proven detrimental to the well-being of the RM, in that residents must compete with the Nature Conservancy of Canada for the acquisition of aforesaid lands required for agriculture purposes;

AND WHEREAS the RM is alarmed at the rate of the lost productive agricultural lands here and elsewhere in the province;

AND WHEREAS it is most beneficial for municipalities to have families reside on and farm these lands. Families normally make improvements to the land and erect buildings including housing and other structures, thus generating essential tax revenue. Families contribute to the general well-being of their community by virtue of stabilizing school enrolments; ensuring the existence of health care facilities in their communities and maintaining the vitality within the local business community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Manitoba Municipalities lobby the Province of Manitoba to implement a moratorium on the purchasing of land by the Nature Conservancy of Canada and impose a recreational tax on existing Nature Conservancy of Canada Properties;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province of Manitoba conduct a study on the effects the Nature Conservancy of Canada held lands have on municipalities throughout the Province.

Councillor Penner requests a recorded vote.

For the motion: All

Against the motion: None

Carried

Other matters brought forth:

- Arbakka Golf Course – send letter to invite to a council meeting
- Age-Friendly Meeting Update
- Street Patching of potholes
- Unsightly Premises – CAO to send out letters
- Drainage
- Fire Hall/Department Update
- Sundown Road North in need of extra grader work
- SRRCD update

- Missing/Downed signs
- Weed Board Update
- Dogs running at large
- Cell Phone Mtg Update
- RHA Mtg Update & Doctor tour

142-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by John Gawronsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council meet in camera as a committee of the whole to discuss Legal and Personnel Matters, and such discussions be kept in confidence as required under Section 15.13 of By-Law No. 05/07, Time: 8:50 P.M.

Carried

143-14 Moved by Christine Friesen

Seconded by Konrad Narth

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourns their in camera session and resume regular business, Time: 9:25 P.M.

Carried

144-14 Moved by Konrad Narth

Seconded by Christine Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The R.M. of Stuartburn sell the SE ¼ 18-1-9E to Barry Stratychuk for the sum of \$35,300.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that council enters into a development agreement with Mr. Stratychuk outlining the conditions of the sale, such as:

- all costs associated with transfer of this title,
- survey costs which shall be borne by the purchaser
- a building guarantee bond of \$5,000 with house to be built within 1 construction year
- no immediate demands for drainage etc...

Carried

145-14 Moved by Ed Penner

Seconded by Konrad Narth

BE IT RESOLVED that council hereby increases the CAO and ACAO's annual salary by 3% effective May 21st, 2014.

Carried

Adjournment:

146-14 Moved by John Gawronsky

Seconded by Christine Friesen

WHEREAS all matters pertinent to this meeting have been completed,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting do now adjourn, and Council shall meet again in Regular Session June 3, 2014. Time: 9:45 P.M.

Carried

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STUARTBURN

Lucie Maynard, Chief Administrative Officer

Jim Swidersky, Reeve