



Rural Municipality of Stuartburn

Minutes of the special council meeting of Monday, December 22nd, 2025 at 5:00pm in the Municipal Council Chambers, Vita, Manitoba

Present: Reeve Michelle Gawronsky Deputy Reeve: Dan Bodz
Councillors: Dylan Gurman and Jon Mellor

Chief Administrative Officer Brittany Fisher, CMMA

Regrets: Councillor Michael Paciorka

Reeve Gawronsky called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

Councillor Jon Mellor joined the meeting at 5:02 P.M.

Informational Presentation: Municipal Tree Harvesting

- Reeve Gawronsky presented to the public in attendance the presentation on the Municipal Tree Harvesting
- The public was provided an opportunity to ask questions and express concerns regarding the project. Council and other parties in attendance addressed these inquiries. Topics raised included the openness of the land/tree planting, potential trespassing onto private property, impacts on wildlife, debris management practices, effects on water flow, availability of firewood from debris, establishment of buffer zones, night-time operations, and potential future rental of the property.

Tree Harvesting RFQ – Proposals Submitted

358-25 Moved by Dan Bodz

Seconded by Jon Mellor

WHEREAS the RM of Stuartburn issued an RFQ for timber harvesting to be completed on SEC 32-1-8E, SEC 33-1-8E, W1/2 34-1-8E, and SE 34-1-8E to manage the forest resource sustainably, in compliance with all regulations, and with minimal environmental impact;

AND WHEREAS Council received proposals for timber harvesting from Bear Logging Inc., Philip Nighswander, and Southwood Ventures;

AND WHEREAS the land is rented for pasture, and the absence of a buffer zone will facilitate fencing for the current renter and future renters;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby selects _Bear Logging Inc. to perform timber harvesting, as presented to Council, on the following section(s) of land: SEC 32-1-8E, SEC 33-1-8E, W1/2 34-1-8E, and SE 34-1-8E;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the contractor is authorized to harvest trees with a minimum diameter of five (5) inches, at the contractor's discretion. **Carried**

Adjournment:

359-25 Moved by Dylan Gurman

Seconded by Dan Bodz

WHEREAS all matters pertinent to this special meeting have been completed,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting do now adjourn at 5:53 P.M. **Carried**

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STUARTBURN

Michelle Gawronsky, Reeve

Brittany Fisher, Chief Administrative Officer