

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the R. M. of Morris.

Reeve Herm Martens presided.  
Council Members present were: Ralph Groening, Stan Siemens, Barry Fraese, Leo Kornelsen, Sieg Neumann.

Agenda

Moved by Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:  
#20/01. Resolved that the agenda for the February 14, 2001 regular meeting be now approved as it is now amended or as may be amended.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Minutes

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Denis Robert:  
#21/01. Resolved that the minutes of the January 10, 2001 regular meeting and the January 11, 2001 special meeting be now adopted as presented by the Municipal Administrator.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Sperling  
Rec. Dist.

Councillor Barry Fraese then informed Council that he attended a public hearing in the R. M. of Macdonald for setting up a Sperling Recreation District. The Rural Municipality of Morris should be starting the process of establishing our Recreation Districts.

Weed  
Tour

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Stan Siemens:  
#22/01. Resolved that Denis Robert and Leo Kornelsen be authorized to attend the Weed Supervisors Assoc. Tour on March 21, 2001.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Rabies  
Clinic

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Denis Robert:  
#23/01. Resolved that Council does now authorize that Gurnell Veterinary Services hold a rabies vaccination clinic in Morris on May 5, 2001 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at our Municipal Garage.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Delegation

Mr. Ron Funk, Manager for the Big "M" Entertainment Centre, met with Council to explain that work is underway for the formation of a Community Foundation. There is interest in the Community to have such a foundation and plans are underway to have a public meeting to explain the proposal. For all foundations they give out grants based on the interest earned on the monies given to the foundation. As a general situation, there is a portion of the interest earned that is used to pay for operating expenses of the Foundation. He is very involved in initiating the establishment of a Foundation for this area. Such foundations receive donations from people and must keep the principal amount and are only able to dispense the interest earned on the funds received.

The Intergovernmental Affairs Dept. has a grant that is available for startup of a Foundation. Many boards consist of 10 to 12 people. This meeting with Council was merely to inform Council of this project.

Delegation  
LUD of  
Rosenort

Council then met with Mr. Greg Friesen and Mr. Harry Brandt, of the L.U.D. of Rosenort. There was some discussion of a planning and zoning meeting on February 21, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. and that the LUD Committee should be attending.

The speed limit on PR 205 was also discussed and it was believed that the speed limits coming to Rosenort should be changed. It was felt at the west side of Rosenort, the speed limit at the ½ mile line west of the new bridge should be set at 80 km/hr. and that at a point approximately 100' east of the bridge the speed limit should be reduced to 50 km/hr. At the east end of Rosenort for traffic proceeding into Rosenort, the 50 km/hr speed limit should start east of Canola Drive and that an 80 km/hr. speed limit be established approximately 400' east of the 50 km/hr sign.

It was mentioned that the Rosenort Recreation District is considering the hiring of a full time person for the Arena and grounds area. The LUD of Rosenort would use their person to do town mowing and that the tractor would stay in the area. It is being considered that the Recreation District have use of this tractor and mower with arrangements yet to be arranged.

There was some discussion of the use of Municipal Public Works persons and their expected work in the LUD of Rosenort. Council indicated that works such as drainage, snow, sidewalks, mowing, etc. would be done by the Municipality. Mr. Greg Friesen indicated that they want a local person working in the LUD of Rosenort.

Mr. Friesen informed Council that they had a new proposal for garbage that they are considering. The new proposal would do limited commercial pick up and that the costs of garbage pick up would be approximately \$2,400.00 per month.

Council then recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at approximately 1:10 p.m.

Delegation  
PFRA

Mr. Tom Hansen, PFRA, met with Council to review the cost expenditures on the Sperling water line project. He explained the extra costs for the project and there is still a hold back of \$7,677.38 owing to Knox Brothers. There is still a pile of dirt on a private yard and a pile of dirt by the railway tracks that Knox Bros. has to clean up and it was indicated that not all of the hold back be released at this time and that the Municipality retain \$1,000.00 to cover these remaining works that Knox Bros. is responsible for.

Knox  
Hold Back  
Release

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Barry Fraese:  
#24/01. Resolved that we agree to release the hold back to Knox Bros. for the Sperling water line project in the amount of \$7,177.38 with the amount of \$500.00 be retained as a hold back for the dirt piles still remaining to be cleaned up.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Public  
Hearing  
Cond. Use  
1/2001  
SE 9-5-1W

Council then held a public hearing for the Conditional Use application by Mr. Eldon Schroeder for a 5,000 isowean hog barn on the SE 1/4 of Section 9-5-1 WPM.

Present for this hearing was Eldon Schroeder, Mildred Schroeder, Ron Schroeder, Peter Friesen, Don Brown, Brian Shewchuk, Barbara Shewchuk, Francis Anderson, Willie Berg, John Dickson. Also present was Ken Rempel and Jeff Senebald of Elite Swine Inc.

Mr. Eldon Schroeder then read out a written presentation to Council on behalf of his application. He was questioned on the aspect of a plastic cover for the lagoon and he indicated that he had not investigated prices for this. He mentioned that the lagoon was bottom fed. It was mentioned at this time in the meeting that a plastic cover for a 1 million gallon storage lagoon would cost approximately \$30,000.00.

Public  
Hearing  
Continued

Mr. Francis Anderson questioned where the location where the barn was being proposed and he felt that it should be closer to Mr. Schroeder's house. Mr. Brian Shewchuk noted his opposition to this application and questioned if Mr. Don Brown had covered his lagoon with straw. Mr. Brown responded that his lagoons were covered with straw. At that indicated, Mr. Shewchuk told Council that the straw does not work as they frequently smell the operation and he questioned the effectiveness of the straw.

Mr. Brown noted that there is little smell from the lagoon and that whatever smell they are noticing would likely be from the barn.

When questioned, Mr. Schroeder indicated that the proposal is that the fans for the barn are facing down and not up.

Mr. Shewchuk felt that the barns should be located further west on the quarter section.

Ms. Barbara Shewchuk stated her opposition to the barn and informed Council that Mr. Ray Anderson was unable to attend but is also opposed to the proposal. There are many barns in the area and smell is affecting them from all directions and this proposal would only add to the detriment of their situation. Mr. Ray Anderson is planning to sell his house soon and with the numbers of barns in the area he would have extreme difficulty in doing so.

Mr. Ken Rempel, informed Council that there is much research being done as far as additives to lagoons and feed, straw cover for lagoons, manure management, plastic covers, however, at this time there is nothing guaranteed to have a significant effect on the odour issue.

Mr. Don Brown stated that he has had professors at his yard site testing odours and the effects of trees. The trees to help to disperse the smell. His second barn has less smell because the set up of this barn is such that it is cleaner and dryer and therefore has less smell coming from the barn.

Councillor Robert stated that the degree of humidity would have an effect on the smell from any operation and also on how the smell is carried from the barn.

Mr. Shewchuk stated that Mr. Brown's second barn has caused smell because they have noticed the smell much more once the second barn was built.

Ms. Schewchuk indicated that there is more smell now from Mr. Brown's barns and the lagoons are not covered.

Mr. John Dickson spoke that management is a key factor of any hog operation. He is opposed to direct injection when the ground is wet.

Ms. Mildred Schroeder stated that their home yard has many trees around their yard and they will also have many trees around this barn site as well.

Mr. Schroeder questioned what type of odour control is there for the Lowe Farm lagoon.

Councillor Robert noted that one row of 4 foot trees would be a benefit to a quicker effectiveness of the shelterbelts needed.

Councillor Neumann stated that there are other businesses in other areas that cause smell and everyone wants to keep those smell to a minimum.

Councillor Groening stated that the hog industry should be putting more effort and funds into odour control, than what they are currently doing. He asked those present, if they could indicate how many days they smell the operation.

Mr. Shewchuk indicated that they do not smell hog barns in the winter time, but the smell is back in the summer. They do smell it many days in the summer and much more when the wind is from the south.

Mr. Francis Anderson suggested that the Municipality gravel the Anderson Drain road and put the barn further to the west on the quarter section. He is opposed to the application. The Municipality should be concerned about the tax base in the municipality and the devaluation it will cause to other property.

Mr. Schroeder stated that there are different regulations for different municipalities.

Mr. Peter Friesen indicated that he had no objections to the proposal. He noted that trees near the road would likely cause snow problems.

Public  
Hearing  
Continued

Mr. Shewchuk stated that if the barn was moved further west it would still have a minimal effect on Lowe Farm.

Mr. Willie Berg told Council that he is opposed to the application and does not want the barn.

Mr. John Dickson stated that all barn operations should be using the latest technologies.

The hearing was adjourned at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Chairman  
Nomination  
RHA

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:

#25/01. Resolved that we agree to support Mr. Sam Schellenberg's nomination for the position of Chairman for the Regional Health Authority-Central Manitoba.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Weed Dist.  
Budget

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Denis Robert:

#26/01. Resolved that the R. M. of Morris does now accept the 2001 budget and levy requirement for the Morris Montcalm Weed Control District in the amount of \$30,357.96.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

NW Red  
Water  
Man. Assoc.

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:

#27/01. Whereas the R. M. of Morris has been approached to consider the incorporation of the North-West Red Water Management Association; Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris approves the incorporation of the North-West Red Water Management Association.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Subdivision  
E. Heinrichs  
NW 8-4-1W

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Stan Siemens:

#28/01. Whereas Eugene Heinrichs has made application for the subdivision of the NW 1/4 of Section 8-4-1 WPM under Planning File No. 4152-00-4300; And Whereas this subdivision proposed to create a 7.9 acre yard site; Therefore Be It Resolved that Council approve this subdivision subject to the following conditions:

1. That any additional accesses be at the expense of the owner.
2. That the applicant meet necessary environmental requirements
3. That a Variation Order be obtained for the 7.9 acre yard site.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

By-law  
1547/01

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

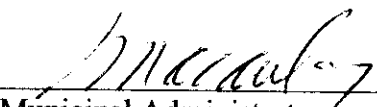
#29/01. Whereas By-law No. 1547/01 is a by-law re-zoning certain properties in Aubigny, Manitoba; Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris does now give first reading to By-law No. 1547/01, in Council as a whole, rules suspended.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:

That this meeting be now adjourned at 5:00 p.m. with Council agreeing to meet again on Thursday, February 15, 2001 at 9:00 a.m.

  
Reeve

  
Municipal Administrator