

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular meeting on Wednesday, October 10, 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, Sieg Neuman, Denis Robert, Stan Siemens, Leo Kornelsen, Barry Fraese.

Agenda

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#189/01. Resolved that the agenda for October 10, 2001 regular meeting be now approved as it is now amended or as may be amended.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

MMSD  
ETEC  
Situation

At this time in the meeting Council spent considerable time discussing the situation involving the Morris Macdonald School Division and the Provincial Audit of their ETEC operations. It was stated by the Minister of Education that the division could owe the Province of Manitoba 2.5 to 4 Million Dollars and that his office is now awaiting a division response. Public meetings are being held soon by the division and members of Council are urged to attend these meetings.

Eden  
Health  
Centre

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#190/01. Resolved that we donate \$200.00 to the Eden Health Centre in Winkler, Manitoba for a fund raising event on October 26, 2001.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Minutes

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:

#191/01. Resolved that the minutes of the September 12, 2001 regular meeting and the September 13 and 18, 2001 special meeting be now accepted as presented by the Municipal Administrator.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Weed Dist.  
ATV Payment

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:

#192/01. Resolved that we authorize payment to the Morris Montcalm Weed Control District in the amount of \$6,146.56 for the purchase of a 2001 Polaris Sportsman 500 ATV with sprayer assembly.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Delegation

Mr. Menno Bergen, Mr. Bernie Bergen and Mr. Fred Peters then met with Council to discuss the situation of their hog barn construction. A Conditional Use Permit had been issued to them under order no 5/98 which was approved in April, 1999. Since that time, Council did in April, 2000 grant a one year extension to the conditional use. The question at hand is whether they had yet started construction on the hog barn. Mr. Menno Bergen spoke to Council and referred to a written presentation which he had. They had already spent considerable funds in purchasing material for this new barn. They have purchased rafters, \$19,000.00, penning \$10,000.00, and there has been much other work done relative to this barn construction.

**Bergen Delegation Continued**

He mentioned that in the fall of 1998, there was a lagoon expansion done that cost \$30,000.00. There was a lift station put in in November, 2000 for the south end of the building at a cost of \$14,000.00. There were other things done such as hydro service and waterlines to the site. The project is to cost \$250,000.00 and to date he indicated that they had spent over \$100,000.00 for material and work. Because of these expenses, they feel that they have started the project prior to the end of the extension time given for the conditional use.

The lagoon is to bottom fill.

There was a building permit issued in July, 2000 and the performance bond was submitted at that time.

Mr. Bernie Bergen informed Council that they have started the barn construction and they want to continue.

Mr. Fred Peters indicated that they could have started sooner if it had been known that this was a problem with Council.

Menno Bergen indicated that the cheese whey is put into cell 2 and cell 1 has capacity for the barn until spring. The whey being hauled in is now down to 2 loads per day.

They are proposing a tarp system for cell 2 that is taken off for the winter months and put on for the spring and summer. They would put straw on Cell 1 and they have purchased a straw spreader for this at a cost of approximately \$10,000.00.

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

Sperling  
Water

At this time in the meeting, Council discussed the situation of the Sperling water and sewer project. There has been recent contact made with the Manitoba Water Services Board and they have recommended that this project go to a private engineering company and they proposed KGS Group to provide a feasibility study for the lagoon. In addition to that, they indicated that a further agreement will be submitted from M.W.S.B. to reflect the current funding arrangements between the Municipality and Infrastructure and M.W.S.B. This company would be responsible for the lagoon design submissions and licences and understood that they would likely be engaged to design the remainder of the project. Mr. Ken Waddell was approached 2 to 3 months ago on the potential location of a lagoon on his property and at that time there was a verbal consent to the lagoon site project, however, costs were not yet initiated until such time as location and area needed were confirmed. The understanding at that time was that the engaging of a consulting engineer would have been done soon near that date. This has not yet happened and we will advise Mr. Waddell of these events.

KGS Group  
Sperling  
W&S Proj.

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Denis Robert:

#193/01. Resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Morris now accept the engagement of K.G.S. Group, upon the Manitoba Water Service Board recommendation as consulting engineers for the Sperling Water and Sewer project.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Variation  
Board

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:  
#194/01. Resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Morris now becomes the Variation board of the R. M. of Morris to consider variation applications no. 3 and 4, 2001.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

The Variation Board of the R. M. of Morris held a public hearing for Variation application No. 3/2001 for 65 foot front yard setback for the SW of Section 22-6-1 EPM. There was no one present for this hearing.

Variation  
Order 3/01  
G. Bartel  
SW 22-6-1E

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Stan Siemens:  
#196/01. Whereas Mr. George Bartel has made application for a 65 foot front yard set back for the west of the SW 1/4 of Section 22-6-1 EPM; And Whereas this variation is required for the purpose of moving and placing a 40' x 80' shed onto the property; Therefore Be It Resolved that the Variation Board of the R. M of Morris does now approve Variation Order No. 3/2001 for a 65 foot front yard setback for the SW 1/4 of Section 22-6-1 EPM.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

The Variation Board of the R. M. of Morris held a public hearing for Variation Application No. 4/2001 for 7 foot separation distance to an accessory building for Lot 1, Plan 34075 in the NE of Section 29-5-1 EPM. There was no one present for this hearing.

Variation  
Order 4/01  
P. Siemens  
Lot 1-34075

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:  
#198/01. Whereas Mr. Pat Seimens has made application for a 7 foot separation distance for an accessory building for Lot 1, Plan 34075; And Whereas this variation is required for the purpose of constructing a garage beside the residence for this property; Therefore Be It Resolved that the Variation Board of the R. M. of Morris does now approve Variation Order No. 4/2001 for a 7 foot separation distance for an accessory building from the residence on Lot 1, Plan 34075.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Variation  
Board  
Adjourn

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:  
#199/01. Resolved that the Variation Board of the R. M. of Morris does now adjourn and resume as the Council of the R. M. of Morris.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Aubigny  
Hall Tax  
Cancellation

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Stan Siemens:  
#200/01. Resolved that we now authorize the cancellation of property taxes for Roll No. 279500, in the amount of \$2,101.24, which is the property for the new Aubigny Hall which is to be in the name of the R. M. of Morris.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Delegation

Mr. Arthur Dueck of Speciality Flood met with Council to discuss the status of various private dykes which his company had building in the R. M. of Morris. He indicated that for all of the projects in question, he believed that they all had additional funding available to them and that additional costs relating to road maintenance could be claimed by the owner on his claim. For the project on PR 422, this was termed as a neighbourhood project and it may be that the actual project is called Camp 422 with Water Resources. For the situation of the Dunn-Rite Dyke project, he requested that a letter be provided from the R. M. of Morris indicating that the additional work for gravel, culvert lengths and road slopes was additional work done at our request which was requested in addition to the initial project proposal.

Engineer  
to Report  
on Bridges

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Barry Fraese:  
#201/01. Resolved that we engage the services of Mr. Albert Myska to conduct an inspection report on the bridges affected by our Prairie Grain Roads Program road project which is along Riverside Road.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:

That this regular meeting be now adjourned at 4:15 p.m. and Council agrees to meet again on Thursday, October 11, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. to continue the remainder of the agenda.

  
Reeve

  
Municipal Administrator