

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a special meeting on Thursday, November 15, 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 Neumann, Barry Fraese, Denis Robert, Leo Kornelsen, Stan Siemens.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Councillor Stan Siemens took the necessary Oath of Office and Declaration of Qualification.

Minutes

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Denis Robert:

#218/01. Resolved that the minutes of the October 10, 2001 regular meeting and the October 11, October 17, October 24, November 6 and November 12, 2001 special meeting be now accepted as presented by the Municipal Administrator.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Accounts

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Stan Siemens:

#219/01. Resolved that we now approve the list of accounts for November 14, 2001 in the amount of \$2,042,562.75.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Public Works Foreman

Mr. Don Harder, Public Works Foreman, then met with Council and advised them that 57 miles of drainage work has been completed and there is approximately 3.5 miles left to do. And for the spreading of this dirt, there is approximately 5 miles that may not get done this year. There has been discussion with Water Resources Branch regarding the Anderson Drain and there is some disagreement with them as to the proposed drain profile. The east 5 miles of this drain needs to have work done to it.

For the road way on top of the diversion dyke, Natural Resources is pricing gravel for the south road connection on the west side of the project. They are not yet planning to place gravel on this proposed road area. There are signs needed at the south end of the dyke.

Municipal Employees attended an oil seminar at Tormont in Winnipeg and the view was that it was worth attending.

We have received some Infrastructure Signs for the Sperling Water & Sewer Project and these signs are to be put up in Sperling in the near future.

He informed Council that planned winter lay-offs for some employees will be starting in early December, 2001.

He showed Council some examples of constructing a tire dam across drainage ditches and that some of these could be built in this municipality. These structures help in controlling erosion caused by the water in drainage ditches.

There was then a discussion on the situation of rats seen in the Rosenort community and the rats at the Rosenort Landfill Site. It was felt that we would endeavour to do more control work at the Rosenort Landfill Site.

Delegation

Mr. Mike Boeey, of K Line Pigs, met with Council and advised that they were having a problem of dead animal disposal at their P.I.G. barn in the SW of Sec. 21-5-1 WPM. This barn currently has a cold storage unit and the animals are later buried. They are having problems with their cold storage unit and want to put up bins for the dead animals and then have these dead animals picked up on a regular basis. The problem of where to locate these bins is an issue that he now brings before Council.

Mike Boeey Delegation

In the discussion on this matter, it was felt that the bins should be located in the SW corner of their property and that this location would need a driveway to the site and a concrete pad for the bins. This proposed site was generally agreed to by all.

He also mentioned that the new barns NW of Lowe Farm are proceeding well. The north barn will be ready by February, 2002 and the south barn site has had much of the dirt work done and is planned for a spring start on the building. The building is 3 feet above prairie level, so overland flooding should not be a problem and they are currently looking into the matter of a tarp cover for the lagoon. For the north barn, they filled the pond from the Tobacco Drain and have planted grass and trees are planned for the spring. An open house is planned for the north barn in late January, 2002.

Council then held a public hearing for the re-zoning application under By-law No. 1555/01. There was no one present for this hearing.

By-law
No. 1555/01

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#220/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1555/01, having been read a first time on October 10, 2001, be now given 2nd and 3rd readings, and finally passes in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Bridge
Inspections

Moved by Barry Fraese, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#221/01. Resolved that Mr. Al Myska, be engaged to provide engineering reports on 3 bridges on Riverside Road at a cost of approximately \$6,000.00. as part of our Prairie Grains Road Program.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Council then recessed for lunch at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at approximately 12:45 p.m.

By-law
1556

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#222/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1556/01, being a by-law entering into an agreement with Manitoba Water Services Board for a feasibility study for the Sperling sewage lagoon, be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

By-law
1556

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Denis Robert:

#223/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1556/01, has been given first reading; Therefore Be it Resolved that By-law No. 1556/01 be now given second and third readings and passed in Council as a whole, rules suspended.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Delegation

Ms. Bonnie Rudey, the Morris Area Rec. Director, met with Council to advise them of events of that office. She attended the Rosenort Business Expo. which was well attended and there was also a very good response to this years Summer Fun. They are involved in a Recreation Hockey Tournament in Rosenort on December 15 and 16, 2001 and the Rosenort Chamber of Commerce is planning to hold a Winter Festival in February or March, 2002.

She attend a Recreation Conference in Brandon recently and she is also involved in arranging a seniors bus tour to Winnipeg to view the Festival of Lights. She gave a further listing of upcoming events in the area.

Public
Works
Foreman

Mr. Don Harder then attended the meeting advising Council for the Anderson Drain there were problems in agreeing with Water Resources Branch on a profile for this drain. Our desire is that the drain have a minimum of 18" slope per mile on an average for the work and this type of work proposal is not being well received by Natural Resources for this project. It was felt that we would continue to work on this project.

Area Dyke
Proposal
South of
Riverside

Council then discussed a proposed dyke project from Gary Hildebrandt for a group of residences south of Riverside on Riverside Road. The proposal is to raise the road 1 foot and build up the new road 3 additional feet as dyke closures for the existing dyke. There were many questions and issues raised concerning this dyke project and it was felt by Council that the project request should be left until next spring.

Rosenort
Dyke
Engineering
Costs

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Barry Fraese:
#224/01. Whereas the Province of Manitoba has requested approval of the R. M. of Morris for additional engineering costs related to the Rosenort Dyke Project in a letter of June 28, 2001 from the Provincial Water Branch; Therefore Be It Resolved that the R. M. of Morris accept this additional engineering costs of \$456,633.00 for the Rosenort Dyke Project as indicated in the Water Branch letter of June 28, 2001.

Carried. For 5
Against 2

By-law
1557/01

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#225/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1557/01, being a by-law entering into an agreement with the Provincial Dept. of Transportation for water line installations, be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

By-law
1557/01

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#226/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1557/01, has been given first reading; Therefore Be it Resolved that By-law No. 1557/01 be now given second and third readings and passed in Council as a whole, rules suspended.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Auditor

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:
#227/01. Resolved that the Rural Municipality of Morris agree to engage the auditing services of Collins, Barrow for the auditing requirements of the Municipality for the year 2000.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

By-law
1558/01

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#228/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1558/01, being a by-law entering into an agreement with PFRA concerning a Prairie Grain Roads Project, be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

By-law
1558/01

Moved by Barry Fraese, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#229/01. Resolved that By-law No. 1558/01, has been given first reading;
Therefore Be it Resolved that By-law No. 1558/01 be now given second and
third readings and passed in Council as a whole, rules suspended.
Carried. For 7
Against 0

Sperling
Lagoon

Council then discussed the Sperling lagoon project and were advised that Mr.
Ken Waddell had agreed to sell the necessary land for this portion of the
project. The location would be east of Sperling and other considerations of
this aspect of the proposal were mentioned to Council. And it was felt by
Council that this aspect of the project should be proceeded with as soon as
possible.

Man. Water
Ser. Bd.
Funding
Request

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Sieg Neumann:
#230/01. Whereas recent water testing of households in the R. M. of Morris
has given results of poor quality of water used in these households;
And Whereas the R. M. of Morris wishes to provide treated piped water to
households in the R. M. of Morris;
And Whereas the R. M. of Morris wishes to avoid a situation that may affect
peoples' health and safety;
And Whereas the R. M. of Morris needs funding support from the Manitoba
Water Services Board for such a pipeline project;
Therefore Be It Resolved that the Rural Municipality of Morris request a
funding commitment from the Manitoba Water Services Board for continued
funding towards the construction, installation and completion of piped water
lines to rural residences in the R. M. of Morris.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

MTS Line
Installation
in Rosenort

Moved by Leo Kornelsen, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#231/01. Whereas M.T.S. Communications has proposed a cable installation
project on Frontage road and Willow Avenue to No. 46 Kroeker Street in
Rosenort and Council has no concerns regarding this project;
Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of
Morris does now accept this project.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Reports

Council then gave brief reports on the following issues:

- Morris Hospital Foundation
- Morris Montcalm Weed Control District.
- Sperling Recreation District
- Riverside Dyke, Rosenort Dyke and Aubigny Dyke

Councillor Sieg Neumann then excused himself from the meeting at
approximately 4:00 p.m.

Contribut.
Hockey
Tournament

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:
#232/01. Resolved that the R. M. of Morris contribute \$350.00 as a
tournament sponsor for the 1st annual Recreation Hockey Tournament in
Rosenort.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Care Taking

Moved by Barry Fraese, Seconded by Ralph Groening:
#233/01. Resolved that the R. M. of Morris request bids for the caretaking services for our office building.

Carried. For 7
Against 0

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:
That this special meeting be now adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



Reeve

Municipal Administrator.