

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a special meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, June 3rd, 1991 in the Council Chambers of the R. M. of Morris.

Reeve Dan Thiessen presided.
Present were Councillors: George St. Hilaire, Harold Dyck, Glenn Curdt, Dick Zacharias, Allan Dickson.

The purpose of this special meeting was to discuss the situation concerning the grasshopper infestation in the R. M. of Morris and what action is to be taken by the R. M. of Morris.

Recent reports to Council have indicated that certain areas of the municipality are experiencing considerable numbers of grasshoppers and others areas may yet have this problem to contend with. It is believed that a large portion of the grasshopper hatching has yet to occur and therefore determining the degree of infestation cannot be determined at this time.

Council discussed the aspects of our current policy of providing the farmer with chemical to spray the road allowances. Whether this policy is effective in controlling or curtailing the grasshopper infestation is unknown.

There was also discussion of eliminating the current policy as the amount provided was minimal for when the infestation is great enough, the farmer must spray portions of his field and therefore the small amount provided is of minimal effect. By eliminating the current policy and have the farmers pay for their needed chemical there would also be a saving to the ratepayers, with the R. M. of Morris not having to budget for this expenditure.

Following considerable discussion on the general topic a the grasshopper infestation, the following resolution was proposed to Council.

Grasshopper
Policy


Moved by Glenn Curdt, Seconded by George St. Hilaire:
#145/91. Resolved that the R. M. of Morris continue with the same policy of supplying chemical to spray grasshoppers along road allowances and that the decision to spray major drains and railways shall be made by a Committee of Council.

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Against 2

Council also discussed the situation of River Road South becoming an access road for the community of Riverside.
Council also discussed the aspects of increasing water rates for Lowe Farm.

The special meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.


Reeve


Secretary-Treasurer.