

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a special meeting on Friday, January 14, 2000 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, Sieg Neumann, Leo Kornelsen, Denis Robert.

The purpose of this special was to continue the remainder of the agenda from the January 12, 2000 regular meeting.

Firemen  
Insurance  
Coverage

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#15/00. Resolved that the R. M. of Morris authorize the increase in our insurance coverage to provide \$800.00 per week coverage for firemen injured while in fire service.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Accounts

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:

#16/00. Resolved that the list of accounts for January 12, 2000 in the amount of \$319,726.39 be now approved for payment for 1999 and the amount of \$12,726.45 for 2000.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

By-law  
1536/00

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Seig Neumann:

#17/00. Resolved that By-law No. 1536/00, being a by-law entering into a flood protection agreement for the community of Lowe Farm, Manitoba be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Legal  
Review of  
Flood  
Agreements

Moved by Denis Robert, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#18/00. Resolved that our flood protection infrastructure agreements be forwarded to a lawyer for his review.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Delegation

Mr. Ray Muller, Building Inspector, met with Council to review the 1999 permits received. It was noted that for Provincial permits, the Municipality has no notification of this application and it was felt that the applicant should also be required to take out a Development Permit from the Municipality.

Council requested that a letter be submitted to the Province of Manitoba stating that applicants for a Provincial permit must also take out a development permit from the Municipality and also that our inspector be allowed to inspect Part 3 permits.

The Provincial inspectors are also taking the same courses as Mr. Muller for Part 3 and Part 9 and Council felt that Mr. Muller could conduct this work (in most instances) instead of the Province.

For solid fuel burning appliances, a permit is required from the municipality and the R. M. of Morris needs to set a rate fee for this required permit.

There was a discussion on late building permit applications, and it was Council's opinion that there is a penalty fee for making application after construction has started and that this fee structure would not be altered. Therefore, late applications will be subject to the penalty charge.

Council also discussed the elevation requirements and who would be providing elevation levels. It was felt that the building inspector could possibly provide this service provided that a local bench mark is available and that he would also need to borrow a laser unit from the Municipality.

Public  
Works  
Foreman

Council then met with Mr. Don Harder, Public Works Foreman, to discuss the situation involving the operation of the Rosenort and Lowe Farm Landfill Sites. It was mentioned that these operations could mostly be operated by one person. Also for the proposed operator for the little mower, that person could also provide for the operation of the water and sewer systems. There was some discussion on the responsibilities of the proposed mower and water plant operator. For these two issues, there are others that must be contacted including the Town of Morris for the landfill site issue and the LUD of Rosenort for the landfill site and the mower situation.

Delegation

Mr. Bob Omeniuk, of Westman Culvert, met with Council and presented a proposed price offer for the year 2000 and 2001. He showed Council pictures of large culvert installations that his company has been involved in. He asked Council to consider his culvert offer.

Council then recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at approximately 1:15 p.m.

Public  
Works  
Foreman

Following lunch, Mr. Don Harder continued his presentation to Council. With regards to the Sperling Fire Hall, he has made arrangements for a contractor to repair the weather stripping on the overhead doors. For the water stand pipe, the driveway has been made.

The shop addition is nearing completion with the final painting being now done and floor tiles being next to be done. The cost to date of this addition is \$30,278.00 and there is still a counter and cabinets, washroom plumbing fixtures and furniture to be purchased. There was some discussion on the chairs and desks needed in the building.

Mr. Harder noted that his ½ ton truck was having transmission problems and was currently in St. Jean being looked at.

He mentioned that he may take some holiday time in March, 2000.

By-law  
1537/00

Moved by Stan Siemens, Seconded by Ralph Groening:

#19/00. Resolved that By-law No. 1537/00, being a by-law entering into a trust agreement concerning the assets and revenues for the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative, be now given first reading in Council as a whole.

Carried. For 5  
Against 2

Provisional  
Estimates

Moved by Sieg Neumann, Seconded by Barry Fraese:

#20/00. Whereas Section 157 of the Municipal Act requires the Council to make an interim operating budget for the corporation until the adoption of the annual estimates;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the following interim operating estimates for all operation and capital expenditures be now adopted:

General Government Services	200,000.00
Protection Services	50,000.00
Environmental Health Services	30,000.00
Transportation Services	400,000.00
Public Health & Welfare Services	10,000.00
Environmental Development Services	10,000.00
Economic Development Services	150,000.00
Recreation & cultural Services	50,000.00
Fiscal Services	1,000,000.00

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Permit Fee  
Solid Fuel  
Appliances

Moved by Ralph Groening, Seconded by Leo Kornelsen:

#21/00. Whereas solid fuel burning appliances require a building permit be issued;

Therefore Be It Resolved that for solid fuel burning appliances, a permit be required and a fee charged for those installations to an existing house;

And Further Be It Resolved that a fee for this permit be now set at \$25.00 except where other related permits are required.

Carried. For 7  
Against 0

Council then held a discussion on our sewer and water systems and their operations and the small mower operator. Following considerable discussion on this matter, it was decided to further discuss the matter once it has been presented and discussed with the LUD of Rosenort.


Discussion  
Aubigny  
Hall &  
Office  
Repairs

Councillor Denis Robert then informed Council that for the Aubigny Hall they have started to demolish the inside front area of the building. They have received grants and funding authorizations for the project in the amount of \$70,000.00 and will be making further applications for additional funds. He also mentioned the needed repairs to the steps of the office building and that he had a quote of \$6,900.00 to fix the steps. The matter would be considered again at a later date. It was also mentioned that perhaps a University or Red River C.C. student may be available to do a remodel/redesign of the Municipal Building.

Moved by Councillor Stan Siemens:

That this special meeting be now adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

  
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Reeve

  
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Municipal Administrator