

First regular meeting  
of Council in temporary  
quarters in old Post  
Office in Morris.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS  
Morris - Man.  
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May 12, 1967

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular monthly meeting on the above date with all members, excepting Maurice Ribordy and Harold Earl, present. The minutes of April 14th council meeting were adopted upon motion of B. Klassen and W. Recksiedler.

G.P. Goossen-E. Saurette: That By-Law No. 942 being a by-law for the purpose of merging the School Districts of: Greenbank, Rosenort, Rosenhoff, McTavish, Clover Plains, Flowery Bank and Pleasant Valley having been approved by the Minister, be now read a third time and passed. Carried

B. Klassen-W. Recksiedler: That we appoint Wendell Fewster as our member to the Sperling Rink Committee. Carried

G. Goossen-W. Recksiedler: Resolved that we request the Water Control and Conservation Branch, Dept. of Highways, to provide the following surveys:

For reconstruction: (Top Priority)

1. MOYER DRAIN from its outlet west to the North side of Sec. 10, Twp. 4, Rge 1 WPM.
2. 110 DRAIN North of Sec. 22 and past the farm buildings in the NE corner of Sec. 21, Twp. 5, Rge. 2 WPM.

For Cleanout:

1. The 2 miles of drain running from R.L. 482 Northerly to R.L. 512.
2. One mile of drain on the east side of Sec. 5-5-2 EPM.
3. The Brandt Drain on the south side of Sec. 5-6-1 EPM
4. The Burnett Drain on the south side of Sec. 16-6-1 WPM.
5. The Brown Drain on the north side of Sec. 6-6-2 WPM.
6. The Moyer Drain north of Sec. 12-4-2 WPM.

Carried

Ben Klassen-Ed. Saurette: Whereas drainage water from parts of Sec's. 1, 2 and 3, Twp. 5, Rge. 3 W and Sec's. 34, 35 and 36, Twp. 4, Rge. 3 W in the R. M. of Roland enters the north half of Sec's. 31, Twp. 4, Rge. 2 W in the R.M. of Morris via the outside drain on the north side of the north branch of the Shannon Creek channel,

And Whereas this water cannot enter the main Shannon Creek channel ~~xxx~~ through the culvert and trap provided in Sec. 31, when the main channel is full, and consequently floods over the rest of the half section, surrounding the buildings of the owner, Norman Blatz, and so constituting a serious drainage problem;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the council of the Rural Municipality of Morris petition the Water Control & Conservation Branch, Dept. of Highways, to study the problem and investigate the possibility of providing individual trapped outlets from each of the sections mentioned above in Twp. 4, Rge 3 W in the R.M. of Roland, into the main channel, or any satisfactory alternative solution.

Carried

E. Saurette-W. Recksiedler: That we grant Ward 5 \$200.00 for its Centennial Project of erecting Street Signs in the Village of Lowe Farm. Carried

Ben Klassen-E. Saurette: Due to amendments to the Wage Act effective May 1st, be it resolved that the rate of pay for our Bridge Foreman be set at \$1.90 an hour, effective May 1st. Carried

Ben Klassen-G. Goossen: That we approach the Town of Morris with a view to joining with it regarding Municipal Planning services which the Town now has available. Carried

(Over)

W. F. Recksiedler - Ben Klassen: That we pay Cornelius Harder \$25.00 for extra services renders during moving of office records, etc. Carried

Ed. Saurette- W.F.Recksiedler: That the accounts as approved by the Finance Committee for \$40,973.44 be passed for payment. Carried

A petition by resident electors of the Kronsweide S.D. was received praying for the merger of this school district with the Consolidated School District of Lowe Farm. After due advertising and the approval of the Minister, the necessary By-Law to finalize this merger will be passed.

Several complaints had reached council regarding the tampering with drains and traps on culverts in same. Improper use of nuisance grounds in the municipality was another complaint that had been reported. Warning notices covering these infractions were to be posted and inserted in our local newspapers.

Representatives from the Municipal Planning Branch attended, informing Council as to the benefits derived from such planning. It establishes a long-range policy to ensure <sup>that</sup> the future growth of a community occurs in an orderly and economic manner.

Bill No. 72, an Act respecting the Municipalities of Morris and Montcalm and the Town of Morris was read, which enacts as follows:  
"Title to the property and the building is vested in the Rural Municipality of Morris free of any right, claim or encumbrances of any kind of the Town of Morris or the Rural Municipality of Montcalm.

All agreements between the R.M. of Morris, R. M. of Montcalm or the Town of Morris, respecting the cost, use and maintenance of the building (Court House) are terminated and cease to have effect."

A request by the Lowe Farm Chamber of Commerce to dyke around the Lowe Farm cemetery was received. Council will check into this matter.

Upon removing the Corner Stone of the old Court House Building a galvanized tin box was discovered. Although the box was badly corroded, the contents were found to be in relatively good condition. Contents included:

- Newspapers: 1. The Morris Herald, Aug. 19, 1909  
2. Manitoba Free Press, Aug. 9, 1909  
3. Winnipeg Telegram, Aug. 19, 1909  
4. The Sentinel, Toronto, Aug. 5, 1909  
5. Manitoba Gazette, Aug. 14, 1909

Auditor's Reports: 18,99, 1901 - 02 - 03 - 04- 05, 1906, 1907 and 1908.

Voter's List of 1909.

A 1897 American fifty cent piece

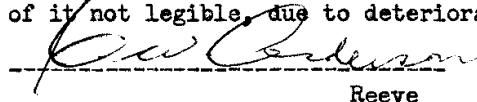
D.M.Ure, Clerk, inserted the following message:

"May Peace, Prosperity and long life, with a happy eternity attend all who have anything to do with this building".

A Credit Note of "Chisholm & MacKenzie" general merchants, Morris was found. It was dated Sept. 10, 1907 and "Good for \$5.00 in trade"

An excerpt by the Clerk, stated that the Rural Municipality of Morris was organized in 1882. The first Warden was John A. Walker and the Councillors were: Albert Albright & A. Landry for Ward 1. Chichester A. Skeffington & John Moore, for Ward 2. and William G. Turner & D. M. Ure for Ward 3.

Other information was included in this excerpt, however, some of it not legible, due to deterioration.

  
Reeve

  
Secretary-Treasurer