

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS
Morris, Man.

9 a.m.
June 14, 1968a

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular monthly meeting on the above date with all members present. Moved by G. Cretton, seconded by Ben Klassen that the minutes of May 10th Council Meeting be adopted as read.

W. Recksiedler-Ben Klassen: That we authorize the closing of the Office from June 17th to June 21st inclusive, while the office staff is attending a Course in Municipal Administration, and that expenses connected therewith be paid by the Municipality (Sec. 311 - Municipal Act.) Carried

Ben Klassen-Ed Saurette: That we hire Jacob J. Friesen of Lowe Farm, as checker for road gravelling (on road) at \$1.85 an hour and 10¢ a mile travelling expense; and Cecil Irvine, Morris as checket in the Pit at \$1.75 an hour and 10¢ a mile travelling expense. Carried

G. Cretton-W.Recksiedler: That we request the Water Control & Conservation Branch to investigate the possibility of purchasing the land between the dykes from A. H. Penner, Kane, on the South branch of the Shannon Floodway on Sec 30-4-2W. Carried

G. Goossen-H.Earl: That By-Law No. 973 being a by-law dor the purpose of adopting the Morris Planning Scheme 1968, having received the approval of the Minister, be now read a third time and passed. Carried

G.Goossen-E.Saurette: That we appoint Councillor Hard Earl and Dick B. Eidse, RRL, Morris and Levi Brandt, Rosenort as our members to the Advisory Planning Commission of the Morris Planning Scheme 1968. Carried

H.D.Earl-E.Saurette: That we order a 5 foot culvert, 44 feet long to replace the bridge stfucture at the NW of Sec. 15-5-1WPM . Carried

W.F.Recksiedler-Ben Klassen: That we agree to the relocating of the Boundary Drain to run straight East along the inter-municipal boundary until it reached the Coulee, providing the Government absorbs the cost of the drop structure, as per estimates set forth in a letter of May 29th, 1968 by the Water Control and Conservation Branch. Carried

G. Goossen-G.Cretton: That we donate a trophy for the Steer Wrestling Contest at the Morris Stampede & Exhibition at a cost not to exceed \$15.00 Carried.

W. Recksiedler-Ben Klassen: That we approve of the construction of a ford crossing North of Sec. 10-4-1EPM as recommended by the Water Control and Conservation Branch. Carried

H. D. Earl- Ed. Saurette: That we make a donation of \$25.00 to the Mental Health Association for use in entertaining ex-mental patients during the Manitoba Stampede and Exhibition. Carried

Harold Earl-Gib. Cretton: That resolution dated May 10th, authorizing a loan of \$50,000. be rescinded; and the Reeve and Sec.-Treasurer authorized to establish a loan credt rating of \$75,000. with the Bank of Montreal, if a n d when required. Carried

G.M.Cretton-Ed. Saurette: That the accounts as approved by the Finance Committee for \$32,163.71 be passed for payment. Carried


A letter was received from the Union of Manitoba Municipalities requesting Councils opinion on the increase in school taxes including the increase in the Foundation Levy.

Municipal Councils are not directly involved in the school administration nor have they any control over school budgets. Nevertheless, it is the Municipal Council that has to provide for and collect the school taxes and it is t h e Council that receives all the complaints and criticisms for increased taxation.

Council is of the opinion that the Executive of the Union of Manitoba Municipalities should take an active part in making representation to the senior Government protesting the increase in School Taxes.

It also recommends that the Provincial Government provide all education cpsts over the 9 mill basic levy on balanced assessment (or even at a lesser rate); and that the present Finance Control Board exercise much more stringent control over staff additions and salaries paid and school budgets on the administrative side.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.


Reeve


Secretary-Treasurer