THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

June 13, 1975- 9 a.m.

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular monthly meeting on the above date with all members present. It was moved by W.Recksiedler and seconded by Ben A. Wiebe that the minutes of May 9th meeting be adopted as read.

G.M.Cretton-M.A.Caron: WHEREAS Government policy provides for supplying of Dimethoate for Grasshopper Control, free of charge to municipalities undertaking control programs, providing chemical is applied by with municipal equipment or by individuals paid by the municipality;

AND WHEREAS this policy becomes quite expensive to apply and lack of municipal equipment poses a further problem;

AND WHEREAS a spraying program handled by the municipality would be ineffective due to chemical being effective for only a few days;

AND WHEREAS, when an infestation of Grasshoppers occurs, they tend to start their destructive actions within a short period of time, requiring immediate attention over a large area, thus creating a heavy demand on sprayers and operators;

AND WHEREAS, as Hoppers hatch over an extended period of time and if the municipality accepts the responsibility of spraying all road allowances, drainage ditches, etc., and due to climatic or other conditions fails to adequately control the grasshopper infestation, it would create disatisfaction amongst the ratepayers;

AND WHEREAS a Grasshopper Control Program has been tried and proven satisfactory, whereby the municipality distributes the chemical to farmers, with the understanding that they will spray road allowances, drainage ditches and railway right-of-ways, at their own expense;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that we request the Provincial Government to amend its legislation, making it permissive for the council of a municipality to adopt a Grasshopper Control program most suitable to the farmers of its municipality and at the least expense to all concerned; with the Government supplying the municipalities with chemical for spraying roadsides, drainage ditches and railway right-of-ways. Carried

Grasshopper Chemical distributed in the m unicipality in 1974 was:
Government supplied 690 gallons for roadsides & drainage ditches and
local dealers supplied another 3,580 gals for farmers fields; total 4,270 gals.

Alvin Rempel-A.K.Fast: That we appoint Gilbert Cretton and Marcel Caron as our official voting delegates for any general and/or annual meetings of the Pembina Valley Development Corporation. Carried

Alvin Rempel-G.M.Cretton: That By-law No. 1067 being a bylaw for the purpose of making an annual grant, on a per capita basis, to the Pembina Valley Development Corporation in accordance with the terms set out in the by-law, be read a first, second and third time and passed. Sec. 183(2) of the Municipal Act was suspended in this case.

W.Recksiedler-B.A.Wiebe: That the members of Council be authorized to attend the Eastern Municipal District Annual meeting at Elie, on FRIDAY, JUNE 20th and expenses connected therewith be paid by the municipality.

G.M.Cretton-A.K.Fast: That we enter our Municipal Float in the following Parades:
"Shannon Festival" Lowe Farm - Saturday June 21st at 9:30 a.m.
"Sunflower Festival" Altona - Saturday, July 26th at 9:30 a.m.
"12th Annual BIG "M" Morris - Wednesday July 16th at 10 a.m.
Person in charge of Float: Ben A. Wiebe, Lowe Farm.

B.A.Wiebe - W.F.Recksiedler: That regular monthly Council Meetings start at 9 a.m. commencing in July and continue that way to October inclusive.

M.A.Caron-A.K.Fast: That we approve an advance of $10,000 to Johnny Dueck, Rosenort towards our 1975 road gravelling program.

W.Recksiedler-B.A.Wiebe: That the accounts as examined by Council and approved by the Finance Committee for $68,203.59 be passed for payment.

A delegation of residents from the Kane area requested a substantial grant to operate a community centre in Kane. They will present a tentative budget estimate of their requirements. Attending were: Ron Schellenberg, J. J. Toews, Pete Wiens, C. Bergman, Jake Blatz and Peter Braun.

The Secretary announced his retirement from municipal duties, effective Jan 1/76.

Reeve

Sec-Treasurer