

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of The Rural Municipality of Morris held its regular meeting at 10:10 A.M., on Thursday, March 13, 1980, in the Council Chambers at the Town of Morris with Reeve Alvin Rempel presiding. Present were Councillors: - Anton K. Fast, Norman Wiens, George St. Hilaire, Dan Thiessen, and Gilbert Cretton; and Secretary-Treasurer, Alice Loving.

Moved by Dan Thiessen, Seconded by G. M. Cretton:  
Minutes. #56/80. Resolved that the minutes of the Meeting of February 20, 1980, be adopted as read, with the following amendment:  
Page 2..Before Councillor Wiens left the meeting, at Noon, he made a report for the Employee Relations Committee regarding the Ad for additional help, and inquired if information had been received from the Municipal Employees Benefits Board, concerning comparisons of Pension monies.

Carried.

REPORTS:

- Reports of Council. 1. Planning Conference, March 8, 1980.- Attended by Dan Thiessen, and Norman Wiens. - Mr. Wiens made a report, and noted that there were different opinions regarding the benefits of Planning Districts.
- 2. Annual Municipal Officials Seminar at Brandon Agricultural Centre.- March 3 and 4th.- Attended by Anton K. Fast, George St. Hilaire, and Dan Thiessen. Mr. Thiessen made the report, stating that the Assessment Review Committee was in attendance, and felt that too much time had been allotted to Statistics Canada.
- 3. Hearing in Sperling regarding the Joint Sperling Community Centre District. - Gilbert Cretton reported that he, and Reeve Alvin Rempel had met with Lawyer Charles L. Chappell, of Winnipeg and he had been engaged to do the legal work, for the three Municipalities. The Hearing will be held on March 20, 1980, in Sperling, beginning at 7:30 P.M. (Note: Braun, Schmidt & Gregory were too busy to take this legal work)

The following communications were presented to Council:

- 1. Powell Equipment. - Past Due Interest Charges increase from 18% to 21% - April 1, 1980.
  - 2. Water Resources Division.- (1) Approach at North entrance of Rosenort Dyke; (2) Drainage along the Slater, McTavish, Osborne, Blackhurst, North Shannon and Anderson Drains; (3) Application for Construction Permits.
  - 3. Department of Agriculture.- Grain in Storage.- Letters are to be written to the Elevator Agents (Ste. Agathe, McTavish, Morris-2, Lowe Farm-2, Kane-2, Smith Spur, Carey-2, Dufrost, and Sperling-2) asking them to estimate the grain stored, under flood level, and also the number of bushels in storage in their various elevators. The information was to be returned to us, by March 20th.  
Note:- These letters were prepared, and left with the Councillors before the end of the meeting to be distributed to the Elevator Agents.
  - 4. Minister of Highways and Transportation.- Re support of R.M. of De Salaberry Resolution for improvements to P.R. #205.
  - 5. Copy of Letter to R. M. of DeSalaberry from A. Brian Ransom regarding the proposed improvements to the land drainage system in the Marsh River Watershed.
  - 6. Rural Municipality of Montcalm.- Copy of Letter from T. E. Weber regarding the Marsh River Area Project.
  - 7. Employment Development Branch.- Summer Youth Employment Program.- Summer of 1980. - No interest.
  - 8. Loewen Lumber Co., Rosenort.- Change March 1st to Rosenort Building Centre Ltd.,
  - 9. Thompson, Dorfman, Sweatman.- Board Order No. 31/80 re Plains- Western Gas Limited.
  - 10. Pembina Valley Development Corporation.- (1) Directors Meeting Minutes of February 4th.; (2) Complimentary tickets to a luncheon to meet the Development Officer- March 17, 1980; (3) Newsletter.- Meetings- March 10th- Gasohol; March 21st- Crowsnest Rates.
- Mrs. Barbara Shewchuk, Reporter, Scratching River Post, in attendance.
- 11. Lowe Farm Co-op Service Ltd., - Quote Price should be 17.0¢ per litre less .8¢=16.2¢ per litre. - Lowe Farm Co-op Service Ltd., was contacted, and agreed to deliver at their original quoted price of 15.9¢ per litre.

Correspondence Continued: -

- 12. Balfour Guthrie (Canada) Limited. - Confirmation of Sale.-  
At this time Council discussed the complaint by Alwood Lumber Ltd. that they bid on Fir Lumber whereas Balfour Guthrie (Canada) Ltd., had bid on Red Cedar Piling, and Fir Timber. Resolution #55/80 accepting Balfour Guthrie's tender remains unchanged.
- 13. Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame Inc.-Annual Meeting, Saturday, April 12th, at 1:30 P.M.
- 14. Hudson Bay Route Association.-37th Annual Convention.-Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon, on April 15th, and 16th.
- 15. Rural Municipality of Stanley.-Inter-Municipal Bonspiel-Morden, March 28th.-10 A.M.-Secretary-Treasurer to answer their comments regarding forming districts. The Morris Municipality would prefer to hold their own Inter-Municipal Bonspiel, and invite their own neighbors, rather than forming set "Bonspiel Districts".
- 16. Manitoba Health Services Commission.-1980 Ambulance Service Grants.- Resolution #57/80.
- 17. Sun Valley Hog Farm, Rosenort.-Copy of Letter to Hon. Don Orchard re raising highway.
- 18. B. P. Goossen.-Request to use the municipal road for part of dyke around farm yard. - Council discussed this and Resolution #179/79 was referred to, and suggested a more detailed Resolution be made.
- 19. Morris-Macdonald School Division No. 19. - Use of Council Room on March 20, 1980. - As it had been decided at the April 12, 1979 meeting that the Council Room should not be let out, until the History Book Committee is finished, the Secretary-Treasurer is to inform the School Division, by letter, of the above fact.

Delegations:

- ...Armco Canada - Ken Gowler.
- ...Gil St. Hilaire - Huggard Equipment Co. Ltd.
- ...Dave Brown, P. Eng.; P. Isaak, Regional Superintendent; M. E. Moffat, Regional Water Manager, and C. C. Whalen, Assistant Regional Engineer, from Water Resources.
- ...Franklin Plett - Rosenort Fire Department.
- ...Levi Brandt, Paul Brandt, Alvin Friesen, and Leo Kornelson.
- ...Westman Culvert and Metal Company Limited -G. E. Ferguson.

Meeting At 1:30 P.M. Water Resources discussed, with Council, the drainage with the Slater, McTavish, Osborne, Blackhurst, North Shannon, and Anderson Drains, and the proposed upgrading of the Roberts-McTavish drainage system.

Water Peter Isaak, used an aerial map to describe the proposed system.

Resources. Also in attendance was Agricultural Representative, Cliff Harrison, and the following eleven ratepayers: Ken Rhymer, Lloyd Rhymer, Wayne Rhymer, George Thompson, Alfred Thompson, Orville Famulener, Vernon Thompson, Murray Thompson, Melvin Elliot, Edward Burstahler, and Denis Robert.

The upgrading of the Roberts-McTavish drains would allow summer rains to be drained away quickly. Water Resources would upgrade the six miles of main drain, while the Municipality would be responsible for improving and maintaining the lateral drains. George Thompson remarked that there was no sense in improving drainage into the Red River until the Red is deepened so that it can handle more water without flooding. Orville Famulener mentioned the need for bigger culverts under P.T.H. No. 75. Dave Brown stated that Water Resources were attending the meeting, at Council's request, and if they were not satisfied with their report, a private Consultant could be hired. He said hopefully the designs would take off a 3 or 4 inch rain, and that they were not intended to stop all flooding.

It was decided that a committee would be set up, to work with Cliff Harrison to suggest drainage projects that would be eligible for the currently available federal-provincial funding.

Peter Isaak also discussed the approach at the North entrance of the Rosenort ring dyke.

Water Resources concluded their presentations at 3 P.M.

1980 Moved by G. M. Cretton, Seconded by George St. Hilaire:  
Ambulance #56A/80.-Whereas we have received notification that our 1980 Ambulance Grants. Service Grants will be a maximum of \$3,775.00;  
Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Grant be allocated as follows: Altona \$113.00; Carman \$340.00, Morris-\$3,322.00; for a total of \$3,775.00.

Carried.

Franklin Plett , Fire Chief-Rosenort Fire Department, requested a new fire truck. If a new truck was obtained the old building would be too small, and this was discussed.

New Fire Truck and Fire Hall for Rosenort. Moved by A. K. Fast, Seconded by Dan Thiessen: #57/80. Resolved that the Fire Equipment Reserve, that will be approximately \$58,000.00, by the Fall of 1980, plus the \$25,000.00 C.S.C. Program, when received, be allotted to the Rosenort Fire Department to buy a new Fire Truck, (Approximately \$60,000.00), and build a new Fire Hall, (Approximately \$40,000.00); The balance of the Capital cost be raised by the Local Fire Department.

Carried.

The following Gravel Tenders were opened:

- Gravel Tenders. 1. Lavallee Trucking Ltd., St. Jean. - 18,000 to 23,000 cubic yards road gravel @\$2.65 per cubic yard. Pit located 20 miles from Morris. 2. M.A.C. Hauling Ltd., Box 7, Ste. Pierre.- \$2.45 per yard. Pit located 6 miles east, 1 mile north, 1 mile east and 1/2 mile north of Highway 59 and P.R. 205. 3. Nelson River Construction Limited, 101 Dawson Road, Winnipeg. Pit No. 1.-Section 17 & 18-5-5E - \$2.78 per yard. Pit No. 2.-Section-NE 33-5-5E - \$2.88 per yard. 4. Toews Trucking Service, Box 449, Grunthal. - Gravel 40¢ per yard, 5% Tax, Loading \$1.10 per yard. 5. Oakridge Gravel Ltd., Box 122 Steinbach. - \$2.85 per yard.- Pit SW 31-5-6E, approximately 26 miles east of Morris in the Rural Municipality of Hanover. 6. John Kehler Ent. Ltd. - \$2.70 per yard. Location - Rural Municipality of Hanover. 7. B. F. K. Gravel, Box 145 Rosenort.- Hauling Gravel- @16.75¢ per yard mile.

B.F.K. Gravel to haul Gravel- 16.75¢ per yard mile. Moved by Norman Wiens, Seconded by George St. Hilaire: #58/80. Resolved that we accept the tender of B.F.K. Gravel, for hauling gravel on the roads of the Rural Municipality of Morris, at 16.75¢ per yard mile, providing we can come to terms on penalty for hauling with less than 12 trucks per day.

Carried.

Levi Brandt, Paul Brandt, Alvin Friesen, and Leo Kornelson discussed the penalty clause with Council.

Meeting- Past 5 P.M.- Moved by Norman Wiens, Seconded by Dan Thiessen: #59/80. Resolved that we continue the meeting past the hour of 5 P.M. Carried.

Lumber - Hoffman Construction. Moved by George St. Hilaire, Seconded by G. M. Cretton: #60/80. Whereas Hoffman Construction may have some used bridge timber for sale; Therefore Be It Resolved that the drainage committee be authorized to check out the lumber and purchase some if lumber price is reasonable.

Carried.

Purchase Orders to be implemented (Over \$25.00) Moved by Norman Wiens, Seconded by Dan Thiessen: #61/80. Whereas it is the duty of Council to prudently supervise the purchase and payment of municipal transaction; Therefore be it resolved that the municipal office acquire and implement the use of purchase orders for all purchases over the amount of \$25.00; And Further be it resolved that the purchase orders be numbered and give information as to intended use of purchase, name of employee or purchaser, name of person authorizing purchase, and other pertinent information.

Carried.

Accounts. Moved by G. M. Cretton, Seconded by Norman Wiens: #62/80. Resolved that the Accounts, as examined by Council and approved by the Finance Committee for \$94,512.25, be passed for payment.

Carried.

By Law Moved by Norman Wiens, Seconded by George St. Hilaire:  
 No. 1137 #63/80. Resolved that By Law No. 1137, being a By Law of the  
 re Municipality of Morris, to obtain a loan from the Bank  
 Loan for of Montreal, to meet current expenditures until such time  
 current as the taxes levied therefore are collected, be introduced  
 expenditures and read a first and second time;  
 read And Further Be It Resolved that it is deemed expedient  
 three and in the best interests of the Corporation to read the  
 times, By Law the third time, the requirements of Section 183 (2)  
 and be and is hereby suspended;  
 passed. And That By Law No. 1137 be read the third time, signed by  
 the Reeve and Secretary-Treasurer, sealed with the corporate  
 seal, and finally passed.

Carried.

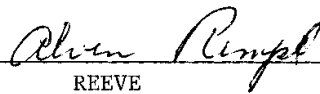
Municipal Moved by A. K. Fast, Seconded by George St. Hilaire:  
 Bonspiel #64/80. Resolved that Dan Thiessen be authorized to purchase four  
 March 21st. curling trophies - price \$5.00 to \$10.00 a piece;  
 \$5.00 per And Further that the fee be \$5.00, per man, to enter the  
 Man. Municipal Bonspiel, to be held March 21, 1980.

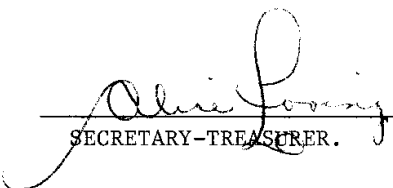
Carried.

Council Moved by G. M. Cretton, Seconded by George St. Hilaire:  
 to sit #65/80. Whereas the Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris,  
 at the intends to consider, and if deemed advisable to pass a  
 Sperling borrowing by-law for the Joint Sperling Community Centre  
 School District Board for the purpose of constructing an indoor  
 Auditorium covered skating rink at the Community of Sperling, and to  
 March 20th, create therefore a debt of \$66,370.00 for that purpose;  
 7:30 P.M. Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council sit at the  
 re hearing Sperling School Auditorium at Sperling at 7:30 P.M. on  
 about passing Thursday the 20th day of March, 1980, to hear any person  
 Borrowing desiring to make representation to the Council with respect  
 By-Law. to the proposed By Law.

Carried.

Adjourn- The meeting adjourned, the next meeting to be held to complete  
 ment. the March 13, 1980 agenda, will take place on March 20, 1980,  
 at 9 A.M.

  
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 SECRETARY-TREASURER.