

Morris, Manitoba.
February 23rd, 1945.

The regular meeting of the Council which was postponed from the 16th owing to the illness of the Clerk, was held on the above date with all members present.

The minutes of the former meeting held January 19th were read and declared adopted as read.

By-Law No. 687 was read a first time.
Moved by Councillor Stevenson,
Seconded by Councillor Griffiths,

That By-Law No. 687 being a by-law for the purpose of cancelling certain taxes in the Municipality having been read the first time, be now considered as having been read the second and third time and passed, and the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal same. Carried.

By-Law No. 688 was read a first time.
Moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Davidson,

That By-Law No. 688 being a by-law for the purpose of setting rates for the year 1945 and authorizing the collection of taxes, having been read the first time, be now considered as having been read the second and third time and passed, and the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal same. Carried.

A letter was read from the Children's Aid Society of Central Manitoba, Portage la Prairie, asking for a donation to carry on the work of the Society.

Moved by Councillor Stevenson,
Seconded by Councillor McDonald,

That the Children's Aid Society of Central Manitoba be given a grant of \$200.00. Carried.

An application for Old Age Pension was received from J. P. Berthelette of Aubigny.

Moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Davidson,

That the application of J. P. Berthelette be recommended to the Old Age Pension Board for acceptance. Carried.

Councillor Davidson read the Financial Report of the Community Hospital and stated that they were in need of funds.

Moved by Councillor Griffiths,
Seconded by Councillor Davidson,

That the Rural Municipality of Morris give a grant of \$400.00 to the Morris Community Hospital. Carried.

The following resolution was passed in connection with tenders for raising the Silver Plains Ferry out of the ice:

Moved by Councillor Thiessen,
Seconded by Councillor Anderson,

That the tender of U. St. Jacques and C. A. Mousseau, accepted by Councillors Stevenson, McDonald and Davidson for raising the ferry at Silver Plains for the sum of \$300.00, be herewith confirmed. Carried.

Mr. M. Touchette of St. Jean interviewed the Council and asked that the Municipality reimburse him the money he paid out to men for helping him while trying to raise the Silver Plains Ferry out of the ice. The matter was discussed and left in abeyance for the present.

An application was received from Leon Bouchard for the position of ferryman at Union Point.

Moved by Councillor Griffiths,
Seconded by Councillor Thiessen,

That Leon Bouchard be engaged to operate Union Point Ferry at a salary of \$80.00 per month and that a bonus of \$10.00 per month be given if he completes the season. Carried.

George E. Moody interviewed the Council and filed a claim for \$1,000.00 for the right-of-way of a ditch over his property, namely S.E. 1/4 Sec. 8-5-2E., and for damages to his crops caused by the said ditch bank preventing the water from getting into the ditch and off of his land.

Reeve Heppner stated that the matter would be attended to and the Clerk was instructed to send a copy of letter to the Municipality of Montcalm, and to advise this Council of their decision in the matter.

The following resolution was passed in connection with part of Block "D" Plan 916 which was improperly sold at tax sale held in December, of last year:

Moved by Councillor Thiessen,

Seconded by Councillor McDonald,

That the Northerly 50 feet of the Westerly 150 feet of Block "D", Plan 916, in the Village of Sperling, sold at Tax Sale on December 11th 1944, be redeemed by this Municipality and returned to the Collector's Roll. Carried.

Communications were read from the Department of Agriculture re Noxious Weeds on Road Allowances, L. A. Slater re releases of F. Welcher and D. Bryden, and the Minister of Public Works.

A resolution was passed in connection with arrears of Non-Resident Fees for students attending Sperling School District.

Moved by Councillor Anderson,

Seconded by Councillor Davidson,

That the Rural Municipality of Morris pay the sum of \$44.85 to the Sperling School District re Non-Resident Pupils' fees. Carried.

Bills and accounts were handed to the Finance Committee, the Finance Committee reported that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the accounts as per list.

Moved by Councillor Griffiths,

Seconded by Councillor Thiessen,

That the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to issue cheques for the several amounts. Carried.

The meeting then adjourned to meet in regular session on Friday March 16th at 1.00 o'clock.

D. Heppner
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Reeve

A. J. ...
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Secretary-Treasurer.