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April 20, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the RM of Morris Council Chambers. Reeve Ralph Groening and Councillors Stan Siemens, Mervin Dueck, Rick Giesbrecht, Denis Robert, Barry Fraese and Michael Toews were present with Reeve Groening in the chair. CAO, Larry Driedger, Public Works Manager, Don Harder, and Recording Secretary, Kim Robert were also present at the meeting.

45/16 Mervin Dueck – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the April 20, 2016 Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

1. Council Minutes:

1.1 March 9, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes:

46/16 Barry Fraese – Denis Robert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on March 9, 2016, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

2. Finance/Personnel:

2.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings:

47/16 Mervin Dueck – Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque numbers 201600385 to 201600603 totalling $615,846.17.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented from February 14, 2016 to February 27, 2016.

Carried.

2.2 A/R Adjustments:

48/16 Stan Siemens – Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris adjust the following A/R Account:

Account Number	Description	Amount
823	Refund-Invoiced & Account Paid In Error	$119.22

Carried.

2.3 Outstanding Accounts Receivable Account Transferred to Property Taxes:

49/16 Rick Giesbrecht – Stan Siemens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris transfer the following Accounts Receivable Account to Property Tax Account:

Account Number	Description	Amount
624	Transfer Outstanding Account to Property Taxes-Roll#141000	($282.63)

Carried.

2.4 Miscellaneous Posting to Tax Accounts:

50/16 Mervin Dueck – Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris adjust the following Property Tax Accounts:

Roll Number	Description	Amount
348000	Tax Sale Costs	$44.00
1424000	Tax Sale Costs	$ 40.00
279700	Tax Sale Costs	$296.00
162425	Tax Sale Costs	$453.00
196800	Tax Sale Costs	$451.00
279700	Tax Sale Costs	$451.00
27500	Tax Sale Costs	$160.00
27500	Tax Sale Costs	$ 60.00
202940	Tax Sale Costs	$240.00
33300	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
140300	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
140400	Tax Sale Costs	$550.00
140500	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
188190	Tax Sale Costs	$555.00
243800	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
276700	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
281900	Tax Sale Costs	$535.00
10000	Payment Returned NSF-Caft Rejection	($100.00)
38620	Payment Returned-NSF	($109.75)
38620	NSF Fee	$ 20.00
782000 783000	Penalty Reversal	($ 70.79)

Carried.

3.1 Public Hearings – Variation Order 01/2016 & 2016 Financial Plan:

51/16 Stan Siemens – Michael Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we open this Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing any comments or concerns related to the following items:

Variation Order 01/2016
2016 Financial Plan

Carried.

9:45 a.m. - **Variation Order 01/2016**

Johni and Robin Fehr attended the hearing and made comment regarding the Variation.
No other persons attended and no written letters objecting to the Variation were received.
Administration recommended to deny the Variation request due to the severity of the application.

10:00 a.m. - **2016 RM of Morris Financial Plan**

Reeve, Ralph Groening gave an overview of the 2016 RM of Morris Financial Plan.
CAO, Larry Driedger gave a brief presentation of the Plan.
Reeve Ralph Groening asked for comments regarding the information given.
Robert G. Mears attended the hearing and made a presentation:

1. He requested that RM of Morris staff start recording and tracking their time spent on different projects and tasks.
2. He objected that there is no mention in the 2016 Financial Plan of:
    A. Local Food Initiatives;
    B. Native Plants.

3.2 Closing the Public Hearing:

52/16 Stan Siemens – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council close this Public Hearing.

Carried.

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3.3 Public Works Manager, Don Harder's Report:

Roads:
- Getting gravel roads shaped up; and ready for gravel.

Drainage:
-Started April 6; and finish carry-over from 2015 first. There are enough drainage requests to warrant a second excavator to help out. The second excavator will start in 2-3 weeks.

Equipment:
-Mulcher installed on all 4 graders;
-Building rear bumpers/wobbly hook-ups;
-3 cat 140M graders sent to Ritchie Auction in Fort Worth Texas.

3.4 RM of Morris Fire Chief, Bernard Schellenberg
RM of Morris Council reviewed the Fire Chief's Report.

3.5 Building Inspector, Ed Penner
No Report Submitted.

4. Committee & Reports:

4.1 Reeve's Report
RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve's Report

5. Action Correspondence:

5.1 Proposed Subdivision, 4152-16-7504

53/16 Barry Fraese – Denis Robert

WHEREAS Cody Reimer of Oaken Developments Ltd. has applied (application File No. 4152-16-7504) to subdivide a 9.72 acre parcel into 4 urban residential lots, namely Lot 4, Plan 58134 in the SE ¼ of 6-6-1E in the Rural Municipality of Morris;
AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Morris has some concerns about this proposed subdivision;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the subdivision subject to the following conditions:

1. THAT all conditions referred to in the Community & Regional Planning Branch Report to Council must be met, except the requirement to re-zone the area to Rural Residential because the area will be zoned as Urban Residential upon completion of

the revised Zoning By-law which will be approved when the Rural Municipality of Morris Development Plan By-law finally receives approval.

2. THAT the proposed roadway will remain as a private roadway and that the developer of the property must prepare a legal easement for all lots created that will ensure that this said roadway is maintained as a private roadway as the Rural Municipality of Morris will not accept any responsibility for this said private roadway.
3. THAT the costs for the creation of this private roadway, including any culvert/crossing costs shall be borne entirely by the developer.
4. THAT a new low pressure sewer line must be installed, at the developers cost, to be connected to the low pressure sewer line located along River Road South.
5. THAT a new water line may need to be installed, at the developers cost, to be connected to the main water line located along River Road South.

Upon motion by Councillors Stan Siemens and Denis Robert, Resolution No. 53/16 was Tabled.

Tabled.

5.2 Proposed Subdivision, 4152-16-7515:

54/16 Denis Robert – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve application for subdivision number 4152-16-7515, Pt. SW1/4 14-6-1E for Chester L. & Ruth M. Bartel, subject to the property owners being responsible for any and all costs related to the installation of any additional access driveways that will be required as a result of this subdivision.

Carried.

5.3 Proposed Subdivision, 4152-16-7516:

55/16 Mervin Dueck – Barry Fraese

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve application for subdivision number 4152-16-7516, L.S. 1&2 and S ½ L.S. 7&8 in 33-5-1E for Lynnford R. & Chester L. Bartel, subject to the property owners being responsible for any and all costs related to the installation of any additional access driveways that will be required as a result of this subdivision.

Carried.

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5.4 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps-Grant Request:
RM of Morris Council recommended that the grant request be promoted on our Website and social media, however, no donation will be made at this time.

Councillor Rick Giesbrecht left the meeting due to conflict of interest during the discussion and decision of Item 5.5.

5.5 Septic Tank Quotation Submissions:

56/16 **Denis Robert – Barry Fraese**
WHEREAS we asked for quotations for the bi-annual septic tank cleanout program;
AND WHEREAS we have received one written quotation for Rosenort, Lowe Farm and Sperling, and one verbal quotation for Sperling;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we contract with Brown's Septic Service for the years of 2016 and 2018 at the following rates;

	2016	2018
Rosenort – Per Tank	$80.00	$82.00
Lowe Farm – Per Tank	$70.00	$72.00
Sperling – Per Tank	$75.00	$77.00

Carried.

Councillor Rick Giesbrecht returned to Council Meeting.

5.6 Manitoba Municipal Government – Municipal Bridge Program – Riverside Bridge:

57/16 **Mervin Dueck – Rick Giesbrecht**
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council make application to the Manitoba Municipal Government-Municipal Bridge Program for funding to cover the cost of repairs on the Riverside Road Bridge located along Riverside Road (Road 2E) and crossing the Morris River.

Carried.

5.7 2016 Chemical Tenders – Municipal Noxious Weed Program:

58/16 **Denis Robert – Stan Siemens**
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris asked for quotations for the 2016 Chemical purchase;
AND WHEREAS we have received one written quotation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we purchase the chemicals required for our 2016 Municipal Noxious Weed program from Rosenort Agro Ltd. at the quoted prices provided.

Carried.

5.8 2016 Culvert Tenders:

59/16 **Mervin Dueck – Barry Fraese**

WHEREAS we have received three quotations for the supply of culverts for 2016 as shown below:

Canada Culvert	$34,388.45 plus applicable taxes
Titan Environmental Containment	$35,959.09 plus applicable taxes
Armtec	$43,807.00 plus applicable taxes

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we award the purchase of culverts for 2016 to Canada Culvert at the rates quoted.

Carried.

5.9 Manitoba Conservation & Water Stewardship- Water Infrastructure & Water Source Assessment:

The deadline to file a Utility Assessment is in 2017. The RM of Morris is hoping that we can work in conjunction with the Town of Morris to help cover the cost of the assessment.

5.10 Sport Manitoba-Kidsport Donation Request:

60/16 **Barry Fraese – Stan Siemens**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we grant $200.00 to the Kidsport Program for 2016.

Defeated.

5.11 RM of Morris – Office Equipment:

61/16 **Rick Giesbrecht – Stan Siemens**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we enter into a lease/rental agreement with Office Innovations Inc/Friesens Business Machines for the usage of a photocopier.

Carried.

5.12 Rivers West Red River Corridor Inc., Membership Request:

62/16 **Mervin Dueck – Rick Giesbrecht**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we renew our membership for 2016 with the Rivers West Red River Corridor Inc.;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we advise the Rivers West Red River Corridor that 2016 will be our final year of membership in their organization.

Carried.

5.13 Ritchie Brothers Agreement:

63/16 **Stan Siemens – Denis Robert**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we enter in to an agreement with Ritchie Brothers for the purpose of selling 2 – 2010 CAT 140 and 1 – 2008 CAT 140 Graders;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we provide Ritchie Brothers the Power of Attorney to act on our behalf in this matter.

Carried.

5.14 PTH 23 West Road Repair – Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation Request:

64/16 **Rick Giesbrecht – Barry Fraese**

WHEREAS PTH 23 west of the Town of Morris is in need of repairs;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we ask Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation to renew and upgrade the roadway to provide a smooth driving surface.

Carried.

5.15 Provincial Road 422 – Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation Request:

65/16 **Stan Siemens – Denis Robert**

WHEREAS Provincial Road 422 between Provincial Road 205 and PTH 23 has many surface breaks; a bridge that needs replacing; and a weight classification that needs to be upgraded;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we ask Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation to:

1. Replace and raise the bridge over the river just south of PR 205 to a standard of a 2009 flood level plus 2 feet. The roadway north and south of the bridge should also be raised and upgraded accordingly.

2. Upgrade the entire length of roadway from PR 205 to PTH 23 to be the same weight classifications as PTH 23 and PR 205 (from PTH 75 to Rosenort).

Councillors Mervin Dueck and Barry Fraese moved to amend Resolution No. 65/16 to read as follows:

Amendment Carried.

Amended Resolution:

WHEREAS Provincial Road 422 between Provincial Road 205 and PTH 23 has many surface breaks; a bridge that needs replacing; and a weight classification that needs to be upgraded;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we ask Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation to:

1. Replace and raise the bridge over the river just south of PR 205 to a standard of a 2009 flood level plus 1 foot. The roadway north and south of the bridge should also be raised and upgraded accordingly.
2. Upgrade the entire length of roadway from PR 205 to PTH 23 to be the same weight classifications as PTH 23 (west of the Town of Morris) and PR 205 (from PTH 75 to Rosenort).

Carried.

5.16 Marsh River Bridge – Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation Request:

66/16 Stan Siemens – Michael Toews

WHEREAS the bridge over the Marsh River along PTH 23 east of the Town of Morris is in need of raising and upgrading;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we ask Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation to upgrade weight classifications to be made the same as west of the Town of Morris and raise the bridge and raise the roadway adjacent to the bridge accordingly.

Carried.

5.17 Subdivision 4152-16-7525, S ½ of NW ¼ 6-6-2E, Donald D. & June G. Elliott:

67/16 Mervin Dueck – Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve application for subdivision number 4152-16-7525 in the S ½ of NW ¼ 6-6-2E for Donald D. & June G. Elliott, subject to the property owners being responsible for any and all costs as related to the installation of any additional access driveways that will be required as a result of this subdivision.

Carried.

6. Information:

Council reviewed the following as information:

6.1 Morris District Handi-Van Minutes & Financial Statements-Jan 7, 2016

6.2 Lowe Farm/Kane Rec Board Meeting-March 29, 2016

6.3 Rosenort Chamber Minutes-March 4, 2016 & April 7, 2016

6.4 Valley Regional Library Minutes-March 21, 2016

6.5 By-Law Enforcement Reports-March & April
An invitation to attend the next COTW Meeting will be extended.

6.6 Proposed Subdivision 4152-15-7370-Certificate of Approval

6.7 Proposed Subdivision 4152-13-7178-Conditional Approval Expired

6.8 Rosenort Community Centre Board Meeting-April 4, 2016

6.9 Proposed Subdivision 4152-15-7370-Certificate of Approval

6.10 South Central Cancer Resource-Year End Summary

6.11 Red River Basin Commission South Chapter-AGM-March 14, 2016 Draft Minutes

6.12 Valley Regional Library-Board Membership
Further discussion will take place at the next COTW Meeting.

7. By-Laws:

7.1 By-Law 1716/2016 Tax Levy By-Law:

2016 Capital Budget:

68/16 Stan Siemens – Mervin Dueck
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adopt the 2016 Capital Budget as presented.

Carried.

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Five Year Capital Expenditure:

69/16 **Barry Fraese – Denis Robert**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adopt the Five Year Capital Expenditure Program as presented.

Carried.

Local Urban District of Rosenort Budget:

70/16 **Michael Toews – Mervin Dueck**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Budget for the Local Urban District of Rosenort be adopted as presented.

Carried.

2016 Financial Plan for the Rural Municipality of Morris:

71/16 **Rick Giesbrecht – Mervin Dueck**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2016 Financial Plan for the Rural Municipality of Morris be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Tax Levy By-Law No. 1716/2016 – 1st Reading:

72/16 **Stan Siemens – Michael Toews**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 1716/2016, to provide for imposition of taxes for 2016, be now given first reading.

Carried.

73/16 **Rick Giesbrecht – Barry Fraese**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 1716/2016, to provide for imposition of taxes for 2016, be now given second reading.

Carried.

8. Other Business:

8.1 Event Calendar
Council reviewed the Event listing.

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8.2 Weed Inspection Supervisor – 2016:

74/16 **Stan Siemens – Rick Giesbrecht**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council appoints Don Harder as the 2016 Weed Inspection Supervisor for the RM of Morris.

8.3 Variation Order 01/2016:

75/16 **Stan Siemens – Michael Toews**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation No. 01/2016 be approved as applied for varying the front yard from a minimum front yard of 30 feet to a minimum front yard of 14 feet.

Carried.

9. Adjournment Resolution:

76/16 **Stan Siemens – Rick Giesbrecht**
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:55 p.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on May 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

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