



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Special Council Meeting July 30, 2021 - 09:00 AM

Minutes of the RM of Morris Special Council Meeting held on July 30, 2021, commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the RM of Morris Administration Office. Reeve, Ralph Groening was present and Chair of the meeting. Councillors, Rick Giesbrecht, Mervin Dueck, Stan Siemens, Scott Siemens and Shane Kroeker were present via video conference.

Also in attendance in the RM of Morris Administrative Office, was CAO, Larry Driedger.

Councillor, Barry Fraese, due to illness, sent his regrets.

- 1 Call To Order**
2021-146
Shane Kroeker
Scott Siemens

WHEREAS all members of Council have been notified of this Special Meeting called for the purpose of the following item:

- Support Drought State of Emergency

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Special Meeting be now called to order.

CARRIED

- 2 Support Drought State of Emergency**
2021-147
Mervin Dueck
Rick Giesbrecht

WHEREAS data from the Manitoba Government identifies southern Manitoba being in a D3-Extreme Drought (a 20-50 year event);

AND WHEREAS the Stephenfield Lake and the Red River have had significant reductions in level and flow over the past month;

AND WHEREAS Pembina Valley Water Cooperative has requested the 14 municipal owners to declare a Municipal Drought State of Emergency;

AND WHEREAS a Drought State of Emergency is defined as a regionally coordinated “all in it together” effort to manage the existing water shortage, whereby a signal is given to the Province of Manitoba of the seriousness of the situation, and the requirement for resource and funding support;

AND WHEREAS the PVWC Drought Committee has met and recommends declaring a Drought State of Emergency;

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Morris declares a Drought State of Emergency.

CARRIED

- 3 Adjournment**
2021-148
Stan Siemens
Scott Siemens

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer