



**Rural Municipality of Morris**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Council Meeting December 14, 2022 - 09:30 AM**

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on December 14, 2022, commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the RM of Morris Council Chambers.

Reeve, Scott Siemens and Councillors Rick Giesbrecht, Mervin Dueck, Shane Kroeker, Al Rowe, Larry Skoglund and Cory Friesen were present with Reeve Siemens in the Chair.

CAO, Larry Driedger, Recording Officer, Marley Wiebe, Public Works Manager, Paul Robert, and Building Inspector/Fire Chief, Trevor Dackow, were also present at the meeting.

**1 Agenda**

**1.1 Agenda Additions**

**1.2 Adoption of Agenda**

2022-207

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the December 14, 2022 Council Agenda be adopted as presented (or amended).

**CARRIED**

**2 Council Meeting Minutes**

**2.1 Previous Council Meeting Minutes - November 2, 2022**

2022-208

Shane Kroeker

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Inaugural meeting that was held on November 2, 2022, be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.2 Previous Council Meeting Minutes**

2022-209

Larry Skoglund

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on November 8, 2022 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.3 Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

**3 Finance/Personnel**

**3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings**

2022-210

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 202202073 to 202202258 totalling \$7,171,471.91

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - October 2022**

2022-211

Rick Giesbrecht

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the October 2022, Financial Statements as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.3 RM of Morris Financial Statements - November 2022**

2022-212

Shane Kroeker

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the November 2022, Financial Statements as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.4 Miscellaneous Posting to Property Tax Accounts**

2022-213

Rick Giesbrecht

Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the adjustment of the following Property Tax Accounts:

Roll Number	Description	Amount
203238	Reduction in Taxes: Rosenort Industrial Park Paving Levy	-\$1,356.23
203239	Supplementary Taxes: Rosenort Industrial Park Paving Levy	\$1,356.23
144900	Tax Sale Costs	\$355.00

**CARRIED**

**4 Public Hearings**

**5 Delegations - 11:30 a.m.**

**5.1 Goossen Subdivision - Marketing & Valuation Proposal**

Steven Foubert and Leighton Klassen from Colliers International, along with Candice Bakx-Friesen from Royal LePage attended the meeting in person. The marketing plan proposed included a multi-page brochure, promotion through their website/social media, and the hosting of 'lunch-and-learn' at the local businesses.

**6 Action Items**

**6.1 By-Law Infraction 2022-1106 - Request for Leniency**

RM of Morris Council agreed to allow the vehicle to be parked within the owner's property (not on public property such as boulevards, etc.) and the vehicle must follow guidelines as set out in the derelict vehicle by-law.

**6.2 Manitoba Crime Stoppers - Support Request**

2022-214

Rick Giesbrecht

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the support request in the amount of \$300.00 which is .10¢ per capita to Manitoba Crime Stoppers.

**CARRIED**

**7 Reports**

**7.1 Reeve Report**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Reeve Report.

**7.2 Building Permit Value Report & Building Permit Listing - Administration**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Permit Value Report & Building Permit Listing.

**7.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report. Mr. Dackow also reported that there were two additional emergency calls since the submission of this report. One being a motor vehicle collision call and the other a fire.

**7.4 Public Works Manager Report**

**Riverside Road-** Brought clay samples to Eng-Tech for analysis. This is the extra clay from the Rosenort Lagoon expansion

**Sperling Roads-** Eng-Tech will be getting us a quote on drilling and sampling of roads

**Gravel Stockpile-** Should be all hauled in

**Rosenort Lagoon-** Nearing completion, Baudry put rip rap stone around the old lagoons and this will be the last thing for this year. In spring they will be back to finish grading and grass seeding.

**New Rosenort Lift Station-** This will be going to tender with the end of January as the closing date

**Christmas Lights-** Lights went up on Nov. 24th & 25th

**Shop projects/equipment repairs:**

We will be building 10 park benches, snow pusher for the skid steer and culvert traps  
Rosenort landfill CAT loader is not operational  
Tandem truck repair to dump box hinges, rust on the cab corners and other thing  
Daycare - Drilling is happening today

**7.5 Drainage Plan Master Listing**

The Public Works Manager reported the completion of the 2022 drainage program with the exception of 6 miles requested adjacent to Provincial Roads.

**8 Information**

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the following information.

**8.1 Emergency Management Overview for Elected Officials**

**8.2 Landfill Possible Expansion - Responses**

**8.3 Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation Request**

**8.4 STARS**

**8.5 Brandon Public-Safety Communication Centre**

**8.6 Subdivision No. 4152-21-8147 Dee Zed Holdings Ltd. - Conditional Approval**

**8.7 Subdivision No. 4152-21-8103 Patrick & Sandra Leblanc - Final Approval**

**8.8 Subdivision No. 4152-22-8231 Anthony & Katherine Dyck - Conditional Approval**

**8.9 Commissionaires - Proposed Changes to Service Fees**

**8.10 Valley Regional Library - Meeting Minutes & Correspondence - October, 2022**

**8.11 Prairie Rose School Division Meeting Highlights**

**8.12 RM of Carman-Dufferin Public Notice**

**8.13 RM of Macdonald Zoning By-Law Amendment**

**8.14 RCMP Report**

**8.15 Morris Area Foundation - Granting Awards Celebration**

**8.16 Aubigny CCD Minutes - November 7, 2022**

**8.17 Rosenort CCD Minutes - November 24, 2022**

**8.18 H.E.L.P. International Shelterbelt Program**

**8.19 Ronald McDonald House Charities**

**8.20 MTI Changes to the Safety Fitness Certificate Annual Renewal Process**

**8.21 Pembina Valley Water Co-op**

**9 Other Business**

**9.1 By-law 1763/2021, Being a By-law to Establish Utility Rates - Second Reading**

2022-215

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board has approved our request for a review of our utility rates;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1763/2021, to amend the Rural Municipality of  
Morris utility rates be now given second reading as amended.

**CARRIED**

**9.2 By-law 1763/2021, Being a By-law to Establish Utility Rates - Third Reading**

2022-216

Rick Giesbrecht

Al Rowe

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1763/2021, be now given third reading and passed.

**CARRIED**

**9.3 Utility Billing Cycle Change**

**9.4 WSP Canada Inc. Consultant Agreement - Flood Site #45 & #99**

2022-217

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Morris Council enter into a contract with WSP Canada Inc. for  
engineering services required for flood site #45 & #99 repair.

**CARRIED**

**9.5 Heppner Estates Contract with Realty Executives First Choice**

2022-218

Shane Kroeker

Al Rowe

WHEREAS we have been in discussion with realtor Patrick Siemens of Realty Executives First  
Choice, regarding the listing of lots in the Heppner Estates subdivision in Lowe Farm;  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we enter into the MLS Real Estate Listing Contract for 4  
lots as shown on the attached Contract Document;  
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the  
contract on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Morris.

**CARRIED**

**9.6 Purchase of 2023 Schulte XH1500-5 Mower**

2022-219

Rick Giesbrecht

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the purchase of the 2023 Schulte XH1500-5 from Keystone Agri-Motive (2005) Inc. in the net amount of \$29,333.00, plus applicable taxes, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.7 Red River Valley Community Development Corporation**

2022-220

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following persons be elected Directors to hold office until the close of the Annual Meeting of the Shareholder of the Red River Valley Community Development Corporation, or until their successors are elected or appointed as the case may be, namely:

Scott Siemens	President
Mervin Dueck	Vice-President
Richard Giesbrecht	Director
Alan Rowe	Director
Cory Friesen	Director
Shane Kroeker	Director
Larry Skoglund	Director

**CARRIED**

**9.8 Boyne Regional Library**

2022-221

Shane Kroeker

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve to cover the cost of 2023 membership fees for residents in the Rural Municipality of Morris that utilize the Boyne Regional Library. Residents desiring to have memberships in the Boyne Regional Library shall pay their membership fees and then submit proof of payment to the R.M. of Morris after which the R.M. of Morris will reimburse said residents.

**CARRIED**

**9.9 CFAM Radio 950 - Reeve on the Radio - 2023**

2022-222

Rick Giesbrecht

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the CFAM Radio 950 - 2023 Reeve on the Radio pricing as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.10 Local Emergency Response Group**

2022-223

Larry Skoglund

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all RM of Morris Council members be appointed to serve on the Local Emergency Response Group for the duration of their office term.

**CARRIED**

**9.11 RM of Morris 2023 Emergency Plan**

2022-224

Cory Friesen

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the RM of Morris 2023 Emergency Plan, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.12 RM of Morris 2023 Emergency Programme**

2022-225

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the RM of Morris 2023 Emergency Programme be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.13 2023 Interim Budget**

2022-226

Cory Friesen

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris council approve the following interim budget for 2023:

General Government Services	\$ 696,900.00
Protective Services	\$ 352,000.00
Transportation Services	\$ 1,595,000.00
Environmental Health Services	\$ 165,000.00
Public Health amp; Welfare Services	\$ 3,000.00
Environmental Development Services	\$ 4,200.00

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Economic Development Services	\$ 55,000.00
Recreation amp; Cultural Services	\$ 173,800.00
Fiscal Services	\$ 1,650,000.00
Total:	\$ 4,694,900.00

**CARRIED**

**9.14 Recycling and Garbage Collection Survey**

**9.15 Council Code of Conduct - Discussion**

**9.16 In Camera**

2022-227

Shane Kroeker

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council go in-camera for discussion.

**CARRIED**

**9.17 Out of Camera**

2022-228

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council go back into open meeting.

**CARRIED**

**10 Adjournment**

2022-229

Shane Kroeker

Mervin Dueck

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 2:30 p.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on January 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Reeve**

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**Chief Administrative Officer**