



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Council Meeting May 10, 2023 - 09:30 AM

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on April 12, 2023, commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the RM of Morris Council Chambers.

Reeve, Scott Siemens and Councillors Mervin Dueck, Rick Giesbrecht, Shane Kroeker, Al Rowe, Larry Skoglund and Cory Friesen were present. Deputy Reeve Dueck chaired the meeting until item 3.2 with Reeve Siemens chairing the remainder.

CAO, Larry Driedger, CFO, Marley Wiebe and Building Inspector/Fire Chief, Trevor Dackow were also present at the meeting.

1 Agenda

1.1 Agenda Additions

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

2023-105

Larry Skoglund

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the May 10th, 2023 Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Council Meeting Minutes

2.1 Previous Council Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2023

2023-106

Shane Kroeker

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on April 12, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2.2 Previous Council Meeting Minutes - April 19, 2023

2023-107

Al Rowe

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on April 19, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2.3 Previous Council Meeting Minutes - April 26, 2023

2023-108

Cory Friesen

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on April 26, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2.4 Business Arising From Previous Minutes

2.4.1 Conditional Use No. 02-2022 - Juergen & Julia Gellert Update

Property owners are clearing vehicles from the property in order to comply.

3 Finance/Personnel

3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings

2023-109

Rick Giesbrecht

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 20230657 to 20230785 totalling \$2,786,116.61

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

CARRIED

3.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - March 2023

2023-110

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the March 2023, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

3.3 RM of Morris Financial Statements - April 2023

2023-111

Al Rowe

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the April 2023, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

3.4 Miscellaneous Posting to Property Tax Accounts

2023-112

Cory Friesen

Larry Skoglund

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

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS MINUTES
May 10, 2023

Roll Number	Description	Amount
24600	Tax Sale Costs	\$475.00
35902	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
94600	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
138800	Tax Sale Costs	\$435.00
144900	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
147350	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
181100	Tax Sale Costs	\$379.00
181900	Tax Sale Costs	\$379.00
203338	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
213920	Tax Sale Costs	\$455.00
276700	Tax Sale Costs	\$405.00
281900	Tax Sale Costs	\$435.00
283200	Tax Sale Costs	\$405.00

CARRIED

4 Public Hearings

2023-113

Shane Kroeker

Larry Skoglund

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

Conditional Use Application No. 05/2023

Variation Order Application No. 03/2023

Variation Order Application No. 04/2023

CARRIED

4.1 Conditional Use No. 05/2023 - RM of Morris/10149017 Manitoba Ltd.

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Conditional Use Application to allow for multi-family dwellings in an "UR" Urban Residential Use Zone.

Eric Beaudette attended the meeting on behalf of the applicant.

No other persons attended the hearing and no written letters were received by the RM of Morris opposing the conditional use.

4.2 Variation Order No. 03/2023 - 10149101 MB Ltd / Derek Loewen

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Variation Application which proposed to vary the minimum lot size for a two-family dwelling from 75' to 60' in an "UR" Urban Residential Use Zone.

No persons attended the hearing and no written letters were received by the RM of Morris opposing to the variation.

4.3 Variation Order No. 04/2023 - RM of Morris / 10149017 Manitoba Ltd.

The RM of Morris Council reviewed the Variation Application to vary the front yard from 30' to 25' and the interior side yards from 15' to 5'9".
Eric Beaudette attended the hearing on behalf of the applicant.
No other persons attended the hearing and no written letters were received by the RM of Morris opposing to the variation.

4.4 Close Public Hearing

2023-114

Larry Skoglund

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RM of Morris Council close this Public Hearing.

CARRIED

5 Delegations - None

6 Action Correspondence

6.1 The Royal Canadian Legion - Decoration Day Service

The Reeve will be attending on behalf of the RM of Morris.

6.2 Pembina Valley Water Co-op - Strategic Direction

The RM of Morris Council identified their top priorities to bring to the Pembina Valley Water Co-op Strategic Planning Meeting as capacity, source and allocations.

6.3 Sperling Canada Day Donation Request

Sperling will be hosting a Canada Day Celebration, the RM of Morris will grant \$500 which was in the 2023 budget.

7 Reports

7.1 Reeve Report

7.2 Building Permit Value Report & Building Permit Listing - Administration

7.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report

Mr. Dackow reported an additional fire call this morning and one additional building permit.

7.4 Public Works Manager Report

7.4.1 Permission to Conduct Ground Disturbance on Road Allowance

Council was notified that Imperial Oil will be performing integrity digs within their right-of-way at SW 8-4-1 E & NW 5-4-1 E, NW 8-4-1 E & Water Control Work Plan 102111, and SW 33-6-2E & W 1/2 of W 1/2 of 28-6-2 E.

7.5 Urban Works Supervisor Report

One of our Green Team workers started at the beginning of May, below are tasks that were performed during the first week.

- both bulletin boards in Riverside and Sperling were landscaped and seeded - ditching cuts done during spring ditching were repaired

- our storage shed at the RM yard was cleaned up and organized

- road signage and post were repaired or replaced in Rosenort, Riverside, Lowe Farm & Sperling, missing street signs will be installed once we receive our order from Airmaster

Attached are a few quotes, one is for a tarp shed for equipment storage at the Rosenort landfill, the others are for a portable office for the Lowe Farm landfill to comply with the inspection by the Province. We could have the used office on site within a week, when I asked the lead time for an office from Candlewood Homes, they said they would fit it between builds, possibly 3-4 months for delivery.

Will have a site meeting this week with the manager (Eldon Wallman) of the City of Steinbach landfill for advice to help organize and cleanup the Rosenort landfill. Eldon has done consulting at various landfills in the province, there is no charge for this site meeting. After a few discussions, we will come up with four to five key elements to improve the landfill. I will forward a detailed report after the site meeting.

In addition to this report, staff will look into an office building Mr. Brown has for sale and whether a larger structure could be built at the Rosenort landfill to accommodate not only the equipment but pallet wood chips. The CAO, Reeve and Deputy had met with a businessman from Kane regarding wood pallet recycling however he was not interested. The CAO will contact other municipalities to see what they do.

7.6 Prairie Hearth Developments

The CAO advised Council that the temporary access to Prairie Hearth Developments was approved. While completing work on the development, Earthmax broke a water supply line; repairs will be done May 11.

7.7 Sperling Golden Corner

Councillor Rowe advised Council that Sperling Golden Corner has been put for sale. The proceeds going to the Sperling Community Centre District.

8 Information

8.1 Daycare Lease Agreement

8.2 Council Committees and Organizations

8.3 Urban/Hometown Green Team Funding

8.4 Boundary Trails Health Foundation Charity Golf Tournament

8.5 Sperling Community Centre District Meeting Minutes - May 1, 2023

8.6 Prairie Rose School Division Meeting Highlights - April 24, 2023

8.7 Red River Valley School Division Minutes - April 24, 2023

8.8 Subdivision No. 4152-23-8274 Jason Holdings Ltd. - Conditional Approval

9 Other Business

9.1 Tax Sale Designated Officer

2023-115
Rick Giesbrecht
Al Rowe

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 374 of the Municipal Act, a municipality may bid on and purchase property at a public auction and may direct a designated officer to bid on its behalf;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Rural Municipality of Morris appoint CAO, Larry Driedger, to bid on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Morris at the November 23, 2023, tax sale auction.

CARRIED

9.2 Rosenort Industrial Park Expansion

2023-116
Mervin Dueck
Al Rowe

Whereas the expansion of the Rosenort Industrial Park has been successful to date;

AND WHEREAS the original projections in 2019/2020 were that an additional phase would need to be completed in 2023/2024;

AND WHEREAS the R.M. of Morris has previously agreed to install a larger 8 inch watermain to service the Rosenort Industrial Park from the south end of the park in order to provide more and improved water service to the businesses located in the industrial park;

AND WHEREAS the development of the Prairie Hearth sub-division will bring said 8 inch watermain in closer proximity to the Rosenort Industrial Park;

AND WHEREAS Barnes & Duncan Surveying, Engineering & Geomatics has obtained quotations from contractors for the installation of sewer, water, and road base for portions of A.D. Plett Blvd. and Industrial Drive;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we engage Barnes & Duncan Surveying, Engineering & Geomatics to provide Engineering Services for this project at a proposed total cost of \$79,900 plus applicable taxes;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we engage D3 Excavating to provide for the installation of Sewer & Water at a cost of \$299,300 plus applicable taxes;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we engage Dirt Pro to provide for the installation of a road base and gravel at a cost of \$275,706 plus applicable taxes;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we authorize the Reeve and CAO to sign any documents related to this work.

Council is moving forward with the next phase of the Rosenort Industrial Park which opens up 18 new lots.

CARRIED

9.3 Water Shed District - Resolution to Join

2023-117

Mervin Dueck
Shane Kroeker

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Morris is interested in joining the Redboine, Pembina Valley, and Seine Rat Roseau Watershed Districts;

AND WHEREAS council has met with Environment and Climate staff to discuss their interest;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Morris requests that Manitoba Environment and Climate prepare proposals outlining the terms and conditions of membership within the Redboine, Pembina Valley, and Seine Rat Roseau Watershed Districts for the Rural Municipality of Morris' consideration.

CARRIED

9.4 Ron Friesen Invoice

2023-118

Mervin Dueck
Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve invoice RBF055 from Ron Friesen for flood repairs.

DEFEATED

9.5 WSP Canada Inc. Consultant Contracts

The CAO advised Council that our WSP Canada Inc. Administrative Lead, in charge of the 2022 flood claim has changed employers. It was recommended the CAO look into our options for moving forward.

9.6 WSP Canada Inc. Consultant Agreement - Flood Sites 233, 235, 247, 248 and 108

9.7 RM of Morris By-Law 1778 - Proceedings and Conduct of the Council and Committees - First Reading

2023-119

Cory Friesen
Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED the RM of Morris Council give first reading to RM of Morris By-law 1778/2023, being a by-law to regulate the proceedings and conduct of the council and the committees thereof.

CARRIED

**9.8 RM of Morris By-Law 1778 - Proceedings and Conduct of the Council and Committees -
Second Reading**

2023-120
Mervin Dueck
Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED the RM of Morris Council give second reading to RM of Morris By-law 1778/2023, being a by-law to regulate the proceedings and conduct of the council and the committees thereof.

CARRIED

9.9 Conditional Use No. 05/2023 - RM of Morris/1014901

2023-121
Shane Kroeker
Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris approve the Conditional Use Application 05-2023, to allow for multi-family dwellings in an "UR" Urban Residential Use Zone.

CARRIED

9.10 Variation Order No. 03/2023 - 10149101 MB Ltd / Derek Loewen

2023-122
Rick Giesbrecht
Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Variation Order No. 03/2023 for 10149101 MB Ltd. being the owner & Derek Loewen being the applicant of Lots 2, 3, 6 & 7, Block 6, Plan 71256, Ash Bay, to vary the minimum lot size for a two-family dwelling from 75' to 60' in an "UR" Urban Residential Use Zone.

CARRIED

9.11 Variation Order No. 04/2023 - RM of Morris / 10149017 Manitoba Ltd.

2023-123
Mervin Dueck
Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Variation Order No. 04/2023 for the RM of Morris being the owner & 10149017 Manitoba Ltd. being the applicant of Lots 7-11, Block 5, Plan 71256, Spark Street, to vary the front yard from 30' to 25' and the interior side yards from 15' to 5'9".

CARRIED

9.12 Morris Area Senior Services

2023-124
Rick Giesbrecht
Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council grant \$3,000.00 to the Morris Area Senior Services, Inc. for 2023.

CARRIED

9.13 2023 Straw Coverage Exemption Request

2023-125

Shane Kroeker

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Kenton Penner's request for straw cover exemption for their manure storage lagoon for 2023.

CARRIED

9.14 Lot Purchase

We have had an inquiry from someone to purchase a lot in the industrial park in Rosenort to use as a "storage lot" for their equipment and materials. Several options were discussed which the CAO will take to the proponent to determine if he is still interested.

10 Adjournment

2023-126

Rick Giesbrecht

Cory Friesen

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at (time) and the next regular meeting of Council be held on June 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer