



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Council Meeting June 14, 2023 - 09:00 AM

Minutes of the RM of Morris Council Meeting held on June 14, 2023, commencing at 9:00 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.

CAO, Larry Driedger, CFO, Marley Wiebe, and Building Inspector/Fire Chief, Trevor Dackow were also present at the meeting. Public Works Manager, Paul Robert attended the meeting and left after reports were complete.

1 Agenda

1.1 Agenda Additions

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

2023-127

Shane Kroeker

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the June 14, 2023 Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Council Meeting Minutes

2.1 Previous Council Meeting Minutes

2023-128

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on May 10, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising From Previous Minutes : None

3 Finance/Personnel

3.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings

2023-129

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 202300805 to 202301125 totalling \$3,794,228.44

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

CARRIED

3.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - May 2023

2023-130

Shane Kroeker

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the May 31, 2023, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

3.3 Miscellaneous Posting to Property Tax Accounts

2023-131

Mervin Dueck

Al Rowe

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

Roll Number	Description	Amount
35902	Tax Sale Costs	\$953.00
281900	Tax Sale Costs	\$953.00

CARRIED

4 Public Hearings : 10:00 am

2023-132

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

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 item:

- Conditional Use No. 09/2023

CARRIED

4.1 Conditional Use No. 09/2023 - Byron Loewen

Mr. Driedger gave an overview of the conditional use application to allow for the maximum height of an accessory building from 15' to 27' in an Urban Residential Use zone.

Byron Loewen and Frank Schettler attended the meeting in person.

The RM of Morris office did not receive any written objections and no persons in attendance opposed the conditional use.

4.2 Close Public Hearing

2023-133

Shane Kroeker

Larry Skoglund

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

CARRIED

5 Delegations - None

6 Action Correspondence

6.1 Manitoba Stampede & Exhibition Invitation to Council

The Valley Agricultural Society invited Council to the Manitoba Stampede & Exhibition events to be held between July 21-23.

6.2 Lowe Farm / Kane CCD - Canada Day Grant Request

Lowe Farm/Kane CCD will be hosting a Canada Day celebration, the RM of Morris Council 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

In addition to his report, Mr. Dackow shared that the Lowe Farm fire department completed a table top exercise with Barb Gillis, EMO Coordinator for the RM of Morris. Using the example of a hazardous material accident, they went through the steps involved including evacuating half the town.

The RM of Morris does not have a burn ban in place.

7.4 Public Works Manager Report

At the Committee of the Whole meeting, it was decided Road 2E will be raised to 2009 flood levels and reconstructed with Cypher product. Only a section will be completed, this being where the pavement ends at the Rosenort Industrial Park, going South to the Riverside dyke. A test site will also be completed, on Road 21N by Doug Edel's. Staff will make arrangements and let council know the time line.

Mr. Robert was contacted by Mark Thiessen about the safety of pedestrians using the sidewalk in between Rosenort Motors and Midland. As this is a private sidewalk, whoever owns the sidewalk must maintain it including snow clearing and address any safety concerns.

Councillor Kroeker would like to see the Rosenort dock in place.

The community gardens will not be ready for this year.

Heppner Estates paving was supposed to happen June 14, 2023.

There was questions regarding standing water in a ditch by McTavish. This was identified as a 2022 flood site which was worked on during the winter and dug too deep.

7.5 2022 Flood Update

Reeve Siemens updated Council on the financial strain the 2022 flood is causing the RM. It was suggested crews be cut down allowing the work to get done and our accounts to catch up. Mr. Robert should meet with Mr. Mendoza to prioritize sites.

7.6 Prairie Hearth Developments

Mr. Driedger reported on parties interested in building in this subdivision. A tour of the daycare facility is planned for after the COTW meeting. This subdivision is still waiting on engineering reports in order to be placed in the cue for hydro installation.

8 Information

8.1 Council and Staff Golf Tournament

8.2 Service Tracker Report - 111 27 PTH 23W

8.3 Morris District Handivan Service Meeting Minutes - May 30, 2023

Councillor Skoglund reported that the Morris District Handivan has added a couple new drivers and services majority of the RM of Morris and the Town of Morris as a whole.

8.4 Valley Regional Library - Meeting Minutes & Correspondence - May, 2023

8.5 Valley Agricultural Society Board Minutes - June 1, 2023

Councillor Rowe reported the Rumble in the Valley attendance numbers were 1,100 on Friday and 2,000 on Saturday. This event will continue to grow each year. There was discussion regarding the Assisted Living Housing Project and how we should proceed.

8.6 RTM Hybrid Construction Child Care Project - Frequently Asked Questions

8.7 RM of Macdonald - Notice of Public Hearing

9 Other Business

9.1 Conditional Use No. 09/2023 - Byron Loewen

2023-134

Mervin Dueck

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris approve the Conditional Use Application 09-2023, to allow the maximum height of an accessory building from 15' to 27' in an Urban Residential Use Zone.

CARRIED

9.2 Subdivision No. 4152-23-8299 - Barbara Shewchuk

2023-135

Shane Kroeker

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the application for Subdivision File No. 4152-23-8299, subject to the property owner being responsible for the following:

- Any and all costs related to the installation of any additional access driveways and roadways that will be required as a result of this subdivision;
- Installation of separate water, utility, sewer or other infrastructure, which may be required; and
- The applicant enter into a development agreement with the RM of Morris to address any concerns, including, but not limited to, flood mitigation, drainage, and available services for the existing dwellings on both lots, and any other matters identified in Section 135 of the Planning Act.

CARRIED

9.3 Subdivision No. 4152-23-8316 - Silverstone Properties Inc.

2023-136

Mervin Dueck

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the application for Subdivision File No. 4152-23-8316, subject to the property owner being responsible for the following:

- Any and all costs related to the installation of any additional access driveways and roadways that will be required as a result of this subdivision;
- Installation of separate water, utility, sewer or other infrastructure, which may be required; and
- The applicant enter into a development agreement with the RM of Morris to address any other matters identified in Section 135 of the Planning Act.

CARRIED

9.4 LUD of Rosenort Duties

Mr. Driedger led discussion regarding the LUD of Rosenort.

Based on the Municipal Act and Municipal Act Procedures Manual, the role of the LUD Committee is to develop a service plan annually for the LUD. Administration ensures the services are delivered and revenues are raised in accordance with the plan. Council has final approval of the LUD budget. Overall, the committee can make recommendations to Council; then it is Council who make a decision. Full details can be viewed in the Act and Manual.

Based on section 66 of the Municipal Act, if in two consecutive general elections there are not at least two persons nominated for election to the LUD committee, a request can be made to the Minister by the council to dissolve the LUD. Therefore, the RM of Morris Council discussed whether there is a need for the LUD or to dissolve it. Consensus was to continue with an LUD.

9.5 Expansion of the LUD of Rosenort

Mr. Driedger presented information to expand the LUD boundaries. As this process takes time, the changes would be expected for approximately 2025.

**9.6 Rosenort Industrial Park - Pavement Pricing from Dirt Pro
2023-137**

Larry Skoglund
Rick Giesbrecht

WHEREAS the RM of Morris Council approved the expansion of the Rosenort Industrial Park;
AND WHEREAS the RM of Morris Council deems it in the best interest of the industrial park future landowners to apply asphalt to the road right away;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the concrete/asphalt pricing quote of \$400,609.00 provided by Dirt Pro.

DEFEATED

**9.7 2023 Straw Coverage Exemption Request
2023-138**

Shane Kroeker
Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve HyLife's request for straw cover exemption for the following manure storage lagoons for 2023:

- 118 PTH 23W
- 109 Rd 20N
- 21017 Rd 2W
- 26093 Rd 10E
- 24111 Rd 7E

CARRIED

9.8 Industrial Park Lot Pricing

Council defeated the motion for paving the Rosenort Industrial Park expansion road. As this was included in the pricing, Mr. Driedger will revise the spreadsheet and bring it to the next meeting.

9.9 Road 2E - Proposal from Dirt Pro Inc.

Council discussed the response from Mr. Loewen however will not proceed with the request.

9.10 DFAA & DFA Program Modification To Include Carrying Costs

Council reviewed the AMM resolutions to be voted on at the district meeting the following day.

10 Adjournment

Larry Skoglund
Mervin Dueck

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 12:10 pm and the next regular meeting of Council be held on July 12, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer