



Rural Municipality of Morris
Meeting Minutes
Council June 12, 2024 - 09:00 AM

PRESENT: Reeve, Scott Siemens and Councillors Mervin Dueck, Rick Giesbrecht, Shane Kroeker, Al Rowe, Larry Skoglund and Cory Friesen.

REGRETS: None

STAFF: Wes Unrau, Marley Wiebe, Paul Robert and Trevor Dackow.

1 Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

2 Adoption of the Agenda

2024-111

Larry Skoglund

Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the June 12, 2024 Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3 Adoption of the Minutes

2024-112

Shane Kroeker

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of a meeting that was held on May 8, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3.1 Business Arising From Previous Minutes

3.1.1 WSP Canada Inc. Consultant Agreements

2024-113

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Project Change Request 7 presented by WSP Canada Inc for additional fees required to continue with ongoing DFA Project Management and Contract Administration tasks.

CARRIED

4 Finance/Personnel

4.1 Cheque Listing and Employee Earnings

2024-114

Larry Skoglund

Cory Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the accounts as presented from cheque number 202400718 to 202400874 totalling \$697,028.41 AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the payroll earnings as presented.

CARRIED

4.2 RM of Morris Financial Statements - May 2024

2024-115

Cory Friesen

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council adopt the May 31, 2024, Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

4.3 AR Transfer to Taxes

2024-116

Mervin Dueck

Rick Giesbrecht

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

Roll Number	Description	Amount
93650	Culvert	\$1,880.65

CARRIED

5 Public Hearings

5.1 Close Regular Meeting of Council

2024-117

Larry Skoglund

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Morris close their Regular Council Meeting to hold the required Public Hearing.

CARRIED

5.2 Open Public Hearing

2024-118

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

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:
Variation No. 05/2024 - Johan Neufeld Hiebert & Helen Boldt Hiebert

CARRIED

5.3 Variation Order No. 05-2024 - Johan & Helen Hiebert

5.4 Close Public Hearing

2024-119

Shane Kroeker

Cory Friesen

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

CARRIED

5.5 Open Regular Meeting

2024-120

Larry Skoglund

Al Rowe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council open the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

6 Delegations

6.1 9:00 a.m. Candace Bakx-Friesen - Royal LePage

7 Action Correspondence

8 Reports

8.1 Reeve Report

8.2 Building Permit Value Report & Building Permit Listing - Administration

8.3 Building Inspector/Fire Chief Report

8.4 Public Works Manager Report

8.5 CAO Report

- 9 Information**
- 9.1 Tree Canada Grant**
- 9.2 By-Law Enforcement**
- 9.3 LUD of Rosenort Minutes**
- 9.4 Valley Regional Library**
- 9.5 Seine Rat Roseau Watershed**
- 9.6 Red River Supportive Housing Committee**
- 9.7 Town of Morris - Fire Department & Recreation**
- 9.8 Morris District Handivan Service**
- 9.9 MTI Access Adjacent to Provincial Highway Permit-Rheinland Farm Ltd.**
- 9.10 Ritchie Brother Auction**
- 9.11 DFA Payment**

10 Other Business

10.1 Social Media Policy

2024-121

Al Rowe

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve the Rural Municipality of Morris Social Media Policy, as presented.

CARRIED

10.2 Town of Altona - Emergency Plan/Memorandums of Understanding

2024-122

Cory Friesen

Rick Giesbrecht

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Altona for Emergency Support.

CARRIED

10.3 Rhineland Municipality - Memorandum of Understanding

2024-123

Cory Friesen

Larry Skoglund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Rhineland Municipality for Emergency Support.

CARRIED

10.4 Variation Order No. 05-2024 - Johan & Helen Hiebert

2024-124

Rick Giesbrecht

Shane Kroeker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Morris Council approve Variation Order No. 05-2024 for Johan Neufeld Hiebert & Helen Boldt Hiebert, being the owner and applicant of 1001 Road 29NE, Roll No. 192400, to vary the maximum height of an accessory building in an Urban Residential zone from 15 feet to 26 feet.

CARRIED

10.5 MPI Speed Display Sign Program

10.6 Waterhemp in South Eastern MB

2024-125

Al Rowe

Cory Friesen

WHEREAS agriculture is the leading economic industry in the Province of Manitoba; WHEREAS Manitoba farmers currently grow between 1.3 and 1.7 million acres of soybeans which is the third largest crop planted in Manitoba behind wheat and canola;

AND WHEREAS waterhemp is a Tier 1 noxious weed which is invading Manitoba fields and along roadways;

AND WHEREAS waterhemp has been confirmed in 20 municipalities and is spreading quickly, especially in flood prone areas which see the suspected movement of seed through flood waters;

AND WHEREAS waterhemp is an aggressive and prolific weed that is resistant to multiple herbicides;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) lobby the Provincial Government on behalf of municipalities to provide funding to stop the spread of waterhemp in the province;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM also encourage the Provincial Government to start an information and education campaign on waterhemp in the agricultural community.

CARRIED

10.7 Development Plan Tender

2024-126

Larry Skoglund

Mervin Dueck

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the tender from Urban Systems at a cost of \$63,500 plus GST for the RM of Morris Development Plan.

CARRIED

10.8 Lowe Farm Landfill Site

10.9 PVWC Memorandum of Understanding

2024-127

Mervin Dueck

Cory Friesen

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Morris approve of the Memorandum of Understanding between the RM of Morris and the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative for the purposes of raising capital for the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative.

CARRIED

10.10 Waddell Street Closing Bylaw (1st Reading)

2024-128

Al Rowe

Larry Skoglund

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 1785/2024, to close a portion of Waddell Street in Sperling, Manitoba be now given first reading.

CARRIED

10.11 Lowe Farm Waste Collection Tender

11 Adjournment

2024-129

Larry Skoglund

Cory Friesen

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 12:04 p.m. and the next regular meeting of Council be held on July 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer