

The Regular Meeting of the council of Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 was held in the Municipal office on Monday December 9, 2019 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present were Reeve, Corey Senft, Councillor Tomas Arthur, Bill Huber, James Slywka, Greg Van Luven
Absent: Councillor Dale Czemerer and Twila Miller

Administrator: Frank Kosa

Call to Order:

Reeve Senft called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda:

#249/19-ARTHUR:

That the agenda be adopted, with the addition of business item m Regina District Association of Rural Municipalities, and additional accounts payable be added to the accounts.

Carried

Minutes Regular Meeting:

#250/19- VAN LUVEN:

That the minutes of the November 8, 2019 Regular Meeting be adopted.

Carried

November Financial Report:

#251/19-ARTHUR:

That the November financial report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Accounts Payable:

#252/19-HUBER:

That the accounts payable represented by cheque No.4317 to 4339, payroll 550 to 553 and on line payments in the amount of \$24,514.52 be paid in the total amount of \$72,875.78

Carried

Council Reports:

Reeve:

Reeve Senft updated Council members who did not attend the meeting on December 3rd at the Legislature with the Minister of Agriculture. The meeting was attended with Members of the Kellross RM Council and the RM of Lipton. In the meeting with the Minister, he discussed the position of the province in relation to the agriculture satiability program and the increase cost to the Province should the formula be changed, as presently it's a 60-40 split between the Federal and Provincial governments. He stated that the program will be reviewed and perhaps certain portions of the agreement can be altered as to deadline dates.

Reeve Senft stated that the signing programs for the roads and residences is in progress and is expected to be completed by year end. There may have to be some adjustments made as the odd sign or house number, however installation will be completed and the adjustments made after installation.

He stated the mowing of areas not completed in the Fall perhaps can be done in the Spring depending on conditions.

Division 1:

Councillor Huber informed Council that he met with the RM of Tullymet to discuss the letter forwarded to the Premier regarding the Agriculture Disaster Area. He stated that SARM met with members of the Crop Insurance Corporation and that the Crop Insurance Corporation is arranging to have three general meetings in the Province to meet with the producers regarding claims and the details of the program as to yields and payouts on claims.

Division 2

Councillor Van Luven that the road north of William Tyson's will require some repair in the Spring as the party renting land from Marvin Huber requires access. He stated that it is past November 30th and the bush that was to be removed by Daryl Huber has not occurred and he will be contacting him to have it removed or make arrangements to have it moved in order for Murray Huber to have access to his lands.

Division 3

Councillor Czemerer absent-no report

Division 4

Councillor Slywka stated that he has some backroad repairs to complete in the Spring as the road by north of Barry Bigalky that gives access to the lands Catto's farm was flooded in the fall due to the rains and it is required as they have harvesting to complete, and the same issue related to an access road to the

Miller lands on the boundary road between division 4 and 5, and the road giving access to SW-36-23-13-W2. He stated the Jackson's will be crushing in the Spring and that he will explore the option of obtaining gravel from other pit operators, should it be needed in the Spring.

Division 5:

Councillor Miller absent-no report

Division 6:

Councillor Arthur requested that a general mail out be done explaining how the signage works as to the location Township road or Range Road, and dwelling number. He stated he spoke to Darren Shindle regarding the gravel on the backroad from the Botkin pit, as the season does not permit grading at this time and it will be looked at in the Spring.

Council Reports:

#253/19-SLYWKA:

That the Council reports be accepted.

Carried

Richard Behnke Excavation SW-26-22-14-W2

#254/19-HUBER:

That a letter be forwarded to Richard Behnke informing that the excavation adjacent to the road on the SW-26-22-14-W2 does not meet the Municipality's Zoning By-law setbacks and is dangerous should a vehicle go of the road in the area.

Carried

Dudley & Company LLP

#255/19-ARTHUR:

That the letter of engagement between the accounting firm of Dudley and Company and the Municipality be acknowledged and signed as to the responsibilities of both parties in relation to the 2019 audit of the Municipality.

Carried

Review of Auditors responsibility:

#256/19-HUBER:

That Council has reviewed the correspondence relating to the 2019 audit and has completed the questionnaire relating to the Municipality's operation and any issues relating to fraud, misstatements illegal acts and errors.

Carried

Revenue Sharing Grant Declaration :

#257/19-HUBER:

That the Council of the Rural Municipality of Lipton, NO. 217 confirms that the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant;

That the 2018 Audited Financial Statement has been submitted to the Ministry of Government Relations;

That the Municipality is in good standing as to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes;

The Municipality has adopted a Procedures By-law;

That the Municipality has adopted an Employee Code of Conduct;

That all members have filed and updated the annual Public Disclosure Statements as required.

That we understand if any requirements are not met, our Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant may be withheld until all requirements are met; and we authorize the Administrator to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried

North Valley Waste Management Authority:

#258/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the North Valley Waste Management Authority be informed that the Municipality of Lipton will not be proceeding with the signage program offered by the Authority.

Carried

Appointments for 2020:

259/19-ARTHUR:

That Council approve the following appointments for the year 2020:

Deputy Reeve – Councillor Dale Czemerer

Finance and Budget Committee: Council as a Whole

Road and Bridges – Councillors Czemerer, Arthur, VanLuven

Gravel – Councillors Slywka, Arthur , VanLuven

Machinery – Councillor Huber, Arthur, Miller
Union and Performance Committee – Councillor Van Luven, Czemerer, Huber
Policy and Bylaw Committee- Councillor Huber, Arthur, Miller
Cupar Nursing Home – James Slywka
Fort Hospital – Reeve Senft
Emergency Measures – Reeve Senft
Sask. Water Security-Qu’Appelle Drainage Region –Councillor VanLuven
East Central Transportation – Councillor Czemerer
Calling Lakes Farm Stewardship Group – Councillor VanLuven
Parkland Regional Library Representative –
Lipton Library Board – Councillor Slywka
Dysart Library Board – Councillor Czemerer
Lipton Recreation Board – Councillor Slywka
Dysart Recreation Board – Councillor Czemerer
Reeve is Ex-Officio on all boards and committees

Other Appointments:

Auditor – Dudley and Co. – John Krusak
Legal Advice – SARM Solicitors
Pest Control Officer – Ronnie Voeltz
Weed Inspector: -Jeffery Karol
District Board of Revision – Krista Kirchhofer 723-4717

Poundkeeper – Garnet Harmen – 432-4803
Lipton Fire Chief – Bruce Goff – 336-2365
Dysart Fire Chief – Gary Kayter - 432-2141

Carried

Equipment Custom Rates 2020:

#260/19-HUBER

That the equipment custom rates for 2020 be as follows:

Graders - \$100.00/hour

Mower - \$60.00/hour

Non ratepayers Grader - \$150.00/hour

Non-ratepayers Mower - \$100.00/hour

Minimum rate - \$30.00

Graders and Mower Custom work be limited to availability

Carried

Council Indemnity and Supervision Rates:

#261/18-HUBER

That the Council Indemnity, Public Works Supervision rates be as follows:

Regular and Special council meetings:	\$150.00 per diem
Office supervision by the Reeve	\$150.00 per diem
Public Workers' supervision and committee meetings	\$31.00 per hour up to 4 hours after which daily rates of \$150.00 apply.
Convention	\$125.00 per diem
Convention meal allowance	\$ 40.00 per diem
Mileage	\$.455 per km

Carried

Meeting dates for 2020:

#261/19-ARTHUR:

That the First Tuesday of the month be the regular meeting date for Council and the meeting times be November to March 9:00 a.m. and April to October 8:00 a.m.

Carried

Respect in Workplace Program:

#262/19-ARTHUR:

That the Council and employees participate in the SARM Respect in the Workplace Program and that the Municipality cover the cost of \$20 per participant.

Carried

Administration Salary Review:

#263/19-SENFT:

That the salary of the administrator be adjusted with an increase of \$2,000 for the year 2020.

Carried

Correspondence:

#264/19-SLYWKA:

That the correspondence be noted and filed.

Carried

Adjourn:

#265/19-SLYWKA:

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Carried

Reeve:

Administrator:

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.