

The Regular Meeting of the council of Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 was held in the Municipal office on Friday March 8, 2019 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present were Reeve, Corey Senft, Councillor, Dale Czemerer, Bill Huber, Twila Miller, James Slywka, Greg Van Luven.

Administrator: Frank Kosa

Absent: Councillor Tomas Arthur
Councillor Huber left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Call to Order:

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

Agenda:

#040/19-CZEMERES:

That the agenda be adopted, with the addition of accounts payable.

Carried

Minutes Regular Meeting:

#041/19- SLYWKA

That the minutes of the February 8,, 2019 Regular Meeting be adopted as amended

Carried

February Financial Report:

#041/19-HUBER:

That the February financial report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Accounts Payable:

#042/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the accounts payable represented by cheque No.4115 to 4133, payroll accounts 520 to 521 in the amount of \$36,025.63 be approved for payment and Automatic withdrawal in the amount of \$1,375.04 being the PVSD taxes transferred to the Province be approved.

Carried

Delegation:

Ron Voletz, Pest Control Officer under the PREP Program, informed Council that SARM is not printing Rat Infestation Reports and that the Municipality will have to print their own forms. It was suggested to Mr. Voletz that when he leaves the door knocker tag when residents are not home, that he should proceed to make a second call, and that the Municipality will do some additional educational and information material to better inform the residents as to the rat preventative program.

Reeve Senft thanked Mr. Voletz for his report.

Garnet Harman, Gus Legasse and Ryan Huber were present to inform Council of the progress the committee is making towards a Regional Pool Facility. They informed Council that their capture area is approximately 30,000 persons, and they did a survey and received 600 responses, with 90% in favour of the pool facility. The estimated cost of the facility for capital construction is estimated at \$7 million and operating costs at approximately 10% of the capital cost at start up and hopefully will decrease once the facility is up and operating for a year or better. They requested that the Municipality appoint a representative to the Steering Committee. Their next meeting will be in April.

Reeve Senft thanked the presenters and informed them that Council would discuss their request later in the meeting.

Daryl Huber spoke to Council about the bush pushed on the road allowance east of section 17 and 20-22-14-W2, and requested that Council consider a time frame of two years in order that the bush will dry, it can be burned and buried. It was his point of view that the road is more usable now than prior to the bush being removed and piled. The road was not used for more than 100 yards south from the east west road. He requested that Council consider closing the road allowance.

Reeve Senft thanked Mr. Huber and informed him that Council will discuss his presentation later in the meeting.

Council Reports:

Division 1:

Councillor Huber informed Council that Highways has a program to install and maintain the road signs within their right-of-way for roads that enter onto the highway. The signs are installed 200 feet back on each side of the intersecting road. He stated that the tractor has a seal leaking on the PTO, and that he felt RCS perhaps could repair it, instead of taking it to Balcarres Patterson John

Deere. He informed Council that he would declare a conflict on interest on the matter when it comes forth for discussion.

Division 2

Councillor Van Luven informed Council that he toured the Canterbury Road and stated that it has frost heaves or is settling in an uneven fashion.

Division 3

Councillor Czemerer informed Council that at the East Central Transportation Committee Annual meeting, a presentation was made by Green Aero as to their firms ability to fly over construction sites prior to the road work being done and determine the quantity of material that would be required to meet the specifications of the tender documents. The purpose is to enable Municipalities to obtain more accurate volumes for the bidders, which is a great assistance in the budgeting process. They also had a presentation on Asset Management.

Division 4

Councillor Slywka informed Council that he spoke to Mr. Wagner as to the registration of the gravel agreement, and Mr. Wagner had no problems with the process. He also noticed a build up of snow around the Blair sign on the Hayward as its low to the ground, and expressed concern about a hydrous wagon possibly being on the road allowance. Councillor Slywka stated that the Cupar Nursing Home has approved the contract for the upgrading of the kitchen facilities at a cost of \$44 thousand. He noticed that some slab fences are close to the road allowance or fence line and inquired about the set backs in the zoning bylaw.

Division 5:

Councillor Miller informed Council that the rocks are showing up on the Strasbourg grid, and the that the road is a CTP designated route.

Division 6: No report

Reeve:

Reeve Senft informed Council that he had an informal discussion with the Village of Lipton and to the possibility of a joint emergency plan. The RM's plan is dated and a joint plan may be an advantage to the municipality. He attended the NVIMO meeting in Cupar with Councillor Czemerer and the Administrator and the municipalities attending will explore the feasibility of the organization continuing for a period of one year. Should other municipalities not wish to join the organization, that NVIMO cease operations under the joint agreement.

#043/19-CZEMERES:

That the Council reports be accepted.

Carried

Adjourn meeting for lunch break:

#044/19-CZEMERES:

That the meeting be adjourned to 1:30 p.m.

Carried

Meeting called back to order:

#045/19-MILLER:

That the meeting be called back to order at 1:35 p.m.

Carried

Road Tour 2019 and Budget Meeting :

#046/19-MILLER:

That the Councillor members prepare a list of issue by March 25th and file them with the Administrator, and that they be forwarded to Council for a road tour scheduled for April 3th leaving the office at 10 a.m. and further that the 2019 Budget Meeting be held on Friday, April 12th starting at 8:00 a.m.

Carried.

Financial Statement:

#047/19-MILLER:

That Council approve the 2018 Financial Statement as prepared by Dudley and Company.

Carried

Letter of Acknowledgement and responsibilities of Auditor:

#048/19-MILLER:

That Council acknowledges the auditors responsibilities and have executed the documents as presented by Dudley and Company.

Carried

Letter of acknowledgement Management's responsibilities:

#049/19-MILLER:

That Council acknowledge Management's responsibilities and execute the document required on behalf of the municipality and the Management representations letter.

Carried

Dudley & Company Engagement Letter:

#050/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the Municipality acknowledge and execute the letter of Engagement as presented by Dudley and Company.

Carried

Dust Control Policy:

#051/19-MILLER:

That Council adopt the dust control policy attached to and forming part of these minutes and that the covering letter be signed by Reeve Senft and mailed to the residents with the application form to be returned by April 30, 2019.

Carried

SARM Annual Convention Resolution:

#052/19-SLYWKA:

WHEREAS rural municipalities (RMs) can put forward resolutions for consideration at both the Annual and Midterm Conventions; and

WHEREAS the Municipality filing the resolution is seeking support for their resolution from the SARM membership, which will direct the actions of the SARM Board of Directors in its advocacy efforts; and

WHEREAS many of the resolutions resolve SARM to lobby the Provincial Government and/or Federal Government to amend legislation and/or regulations that may effect the entire Province should it be passed; and

WHEREAS many of the resolutions that are presented to the membership receive limited debate and discussion from the delegates in attendance prior to the vote;

BE IT RESOLVED that resolutions being presented to the Members at the SARM Annual and Midterm Conventions be accompanied by background information and/or documentation provided by the sponsor(s) outlining the reasons for the resolution(s) in an effort to better inform the Membership to facilitate debate and/or discussion on the resolution prior to voting.

Carried

Agricultural Week Ad:

#053/19-MILLER:

That the Municipality not advertise in the Fort Times annual agricultural week edition for a fee \$140.

Carried

Municipal Hail Electronic Banking:

#054/19-CZEMERES:

That the Municipality proceed with electronic payments for Sask. Municipal Hail tax collections.

Carried

Lipton Mud Bogs:

#055/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the Municipality approve the use of the Fair Grounds for the 2019 Mud Bogs subject to the Mud Bogs Organization file third party liability insurance with the Municipality.

Carried

Repair PTO on Tractor:

#056/19-MILLER:

That the Municipality have the John Deere tractor's PTO repaired at RCS Repairs in Lipton.

Carried

Laptop Computer for Office:

#056/19-MILLER:

That the Municipality authorize the administrator to purchase a laptop computer for the value of approximately \$1,000.

Carried

Administrator Holidays:

#057/19-CZEMERES:

That Council approve March 27 and 28th as vacation days for the Administrator.

Carried

Regional Pool Committee:

#058/19-CZEMERES:

That the Reeve be appointed as the Municipality's representative on the Regional Pool Committee.

Carried

Advertise to close road allowance East of 17 & 20-22-14-W2:

#059/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the Municipality advertise to close the road allowance east of section 17 & 20-22-14-W2 with the public hearing being held on April 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Carried

Correspondence:

#060/19-MILLER:

That the correspondence be noted and filed.

Carried

Administration Report:

#061/19-VAN LUVEN:

That the administration report be accepted as filed.

Carried

Adjournment:

#062/19-CZEMERES

That the meeting be adjourned 2:30 p.m. p.m.

Carried.

Reeve:

Administrator:

Next Meeting: Friday, April 12, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.