

Rural Municipality of Lipton, No. 217
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 was held at the Municipal Office located at 226 Main Street, Lipton on Tuesday November 1st, 2022 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Reeve:

Corey Senft

Councillors:

Division 1: Bill Huber (via telephone)

Division 3: Dale Czemerer

Division 4: James Slywka

Division 5: Twila Miller

Division 6: Tomas Arthur

Administrator:

Ronda Heisler

Absent: Councillor:

Division 2: Greg Van Luven

Call To Order

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

Approval/Additions/Deletions To the Agenda

281/22

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Foreman Report:

- Tractor issues. Pattison's were out several times to fix the problem. Tractor and mower down a total of 5 days.
- Tried to push heavy wet snow off the roads on October 23rd but was a no go.
- Jackson's will be installing a culvert on the Dysart North grid at the Freeland intersection. Also plan to clean out the beaver cages and culverts before year end.
- Myron Cyr to still come this fall to push/mulch bush.
- Held an oil recycling day at the shop on October 26th.
- About another week's worth of work prepping the roads for the winter.
- Mowing will continue to cut into the fall as long as weather permits. North side of the RM has been completed.

Foreman Report

282/22

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer

THAT Council accepts the Foreman's report as presented.

CARRIED

Delegation - 9:07 a.m. - Bob Baker - Professional Building Inspections

Bob Baker from Professional Building Inspections attended the Council meeting to clarify with Council what all needs to be included in the building bylaw as per the Construction Code Act.

Bob Baker exited Council Chambers at 9:47 a.m.

C - S. RH

Delegation - 9:47 a.m. - Gerald Huber - North Lutheran Cemetery Maintenance

Gerald Huber attended the Council meeting to discuss with Council the maintenance of the North Lutheran Cemetery. He requested to not have the R.M. mower come in to cut the grass anymore as it leaves swaths of grass and makes it harder for him to cut it with his small mower. Gerald is willing to continue to take care of the cemetery as long as he is able to.

Council to Discuss Agenda Item 12.2

283/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Slywka

THAT Council review and discuss agenda item 12.2 Highway 22 Site Triangle complaint now.

CARRIED

Highway 22 Site Triangle Complaint

284/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Miller

THAT Council agrees with Saskatchewan Highways to not enforce the removal of the bush and trees located on the south west side of Highway 22 and Range Road 2142 as there is a stop sign there, the speed is reduced in the area and there have been no accidents at this intersection.

CARRIED

Gerald Huber exited Council Chambers at 10:06 a.m.

October 4th, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

285/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Arthur

THAT the October 4th, 2022 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

October 4th, 2022 Public Hearing Minutes

286/22 **Moved By:** Deputy Reeve Czemerer

THAT the October 4th, 2022 Public Hearing minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Financial Statement

287/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Miller

THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of September 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Bank Reconciliations

288/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Huber

THAT the RCU and RBC Bank Reconciliations for the month of September be approved as presented.

CARRIED

List of Accounts for Approval

289/22 **Moved By:** Councillor Miller

THAT Council approves the List of Accounts for Approval as presented including Cheque No. 5034 to 5051 excluding cheque #5048 and other online payments totaling \$179,348.84, Mastercard totaling \$1,338.27 and payroll for periods PP#20 and PP#21 totaling \$14,952.95.

CARRIED

Councillor Slywka declared a conflict of interest and refrained from discussion and voting for his indemnity cheque.

C. S.
RH

Cheque 5048

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer

THAT Council approves cheque 5048 in the amount of \$3171.00.

CARRIED

Council Reports:

Division 1:

- The road by Travis Cornwall's was completed. It didn't turn out as planned but will work and was less expensive.
- I have concerns the grass cutting didn't get finished in Division 1.
- Nick called a few days after we were having tractor issues. I have concerns that it wasn't diagnosed early enough.
- We need to make sure we are in touch with Pattison Agriculture before paying the bill for all the service calls.

Division 2:

Written Report

- It has been quiet. I had a talk with Murray Huber about the Jack Paul creek hill on the west side. I told him how I felt it was in good shape for a secondary. It was also mentioned his south road access hadn't been graded more than once, and I expressed that secondary roads usually get 2 passes, 3 on a good year.
- Garnet Harman has cleaned off some bush just west of the yard and a half mile back, he knows the rate is \$500.00 a half mile.
- The culvert through Jumping Deer Creek below the gun range will need cleaning before freeze up.
- The back road from Harold Phillips south to Grants crossing was graded. I had told Gaza just to do the hills that had washouts but it all got graded. Was a hard pull I guess getting all the grass I had seeded so I ran a bit of gravel down, hoping to keep the truck ruts to a minimum.

Division 3:

- We could have done without the snowfall for the roads.
- Have grass cutting concerns.

Division 4:

- Pawluk pushed the bush by Catto's yard as he was there already doing road work.
- Nick and Gaza cut down some trees in the Division.
- The Cupar Nursing Home will have a hard time balancing their budget as the Covid funding has been cut back but all the costs associated with it are still the same.
- Gravel disappeared over the muck from the snow.
- Happy with grass cutting especially with all the time down for repairs.

Division 5:

- Strasbourg was graded yesterday and revived the gravel.
- Grass cutting complete in the Division.
- Chainsaw work was completed on the Freeland by Doetzel's.
- Met with Nick to discuss cutting the bush by Catherine Senft land.
- Thankful the graders were able to get out.

C. C.

RH

Division 6:

- The Dysart Grid was a mess after the snow.
- Jackson's put in the culvert on the Dysart Grid and Freeland corner so it may be a bit soft.
- Grass cutting is complete in the Division.
- Easements for bush clearing were obtained no issues.
- Abandoned vehicle north of Niall Smith's may need to be towed.
- Received 2 complaints about Randy Gibson's cattle on the road.

Reeve:

- I want to thank James and Greg for their time on Council for the R.M.
- I've received a few minor complaints about the grader operators prepping the roads for winter as it made them mucky when it snowed and the gravel was on the sides.
- Need to have the snow wings on early next year and be prepared for snow earlier.
- Happy with the way summer went. Staff and Council communicated well with some minor issues.
- Doetzel was upset with the reply letter from the R.M. I was instructed by Darrell Wagner that he will deal with his land renter and the R.M. should stay out of it.

Council Reports

291/22

Moved By: Councillor Slywka

THAT the Council reports be accepted.

CARRIED

Technical Break

292/22

Moved By: Reeve Senft

THAT the time being 11:12 a.m. we take a 5-minute recess.

CARRIED

Reconvene:

293/22

Moved By: Reeve Senft

THAT the time being 11:16 a.m. we reconvene our regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Discretionary Use Permit - Gravel Pit SE-26-24-15-W2

294/22

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer

THAT we table our decision on the discretionary use permit for a proposed gravel pit located at SE-26-24-15-W2 until the Administrator can gain more information.

CARRIED

Jeffrey Hall Set Back Variance

295/22

Moved By: Councillor Arthur

THAT as per Zoning By-law 2002-02, section 5.3.5(1)(a) Jeffrey Hall's setback within his development permit does not meet the required 200 feet from the road centerline. THEREFORE, as per section 5.3.5(1)(d) Council at its discretion approves the setback variance request to allow for the addition to the existing house to be located 129 feet from the centerline of the road.

CARRIED

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RH

- 296/22 **Appoint Building Inspector**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer
- THAT in accordance with the service agreement with Professional Building Inspections, Inc., the RM of Lipton No. 217 hereby resolves to appointment the following individual as a building inspector for the Municipality for 2022:
 Josh Nitz, T-Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan BOL775
- CARRIED**
- 297/22 **Transfer Funds to RBC Account**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
- THAT the Administrator transfer \$115,200.00 from the Raymore Credit Union Account to the Royal Bank of Canada account.
- CARRIED**
- 298/22 **Tax Enforcement Arrears Payment Plan**
Moved By: Councillor Slywka
- THAT Council approves the tax arrears payment plan submitted by the owner of Block A, Plan 102004513 with all arrears being paid no later than December 2, 2022. Furthermore, all tax enforcement proceedings on the above land be suspended unless the owner faults on the payment plan.
- CARRIED**
- 299/22 **List of Lands In Arrears**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
- THAT Council approve the List of Lands in Arrears dated October 27th, 2022 containing those properties with property tax arrears as of December 31, 2021; and
 THAT any property with taxes in arrears that do not exceed one half of the immediately preceding year's tax levy shall be excluded from the tax enforcement process at this time; and
 THAT Administration be authorized to advertise the List of Lands in Arrears and carry out such duties as provided for in the *Tax Enforcement Act*.
- CARRIED**
- 300/22 **SaskPower Rural Rebuild Project**
Moved By: Councillor Arthur
- THAT Council acknowledges the SaskPower Rural Rebuild Project #20370884 map detailing the project as presented. Furthermore, the Administrator shall sign and return the approval letter to Sask Power for the project.
- CARRIED**
- 301/22 **Village of Lipton Request for Letter of Support**
Moved By: Councillor Slywka
- THAT the R.M. write a letter of support to the Village of Lipton regarding the expansion of their lagoon stating the R.M. is in support of the expansion as it will also benefit R.M. resident's by providing an environmentally friendly and efficient way to dispose of septic tank waste.
- CARRIED**
- 302/22 **Town of Cupar Mutual Aid Agreement**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
- THAT the Administrator prepare a bylaw to enter into a mutual aid agreement with the Town of Cupar.
- CARRIED**
- 303/22 **Municipal Weed Inspector Annual Report**
Moved By: Councillor Huber
- THAT Council acknowledges Jeffrey Karol's annual municipal weed inspector report as presented.
- CARRIED**

304/22 **National Day of Truth and Reconciliation Observation**
Moved By: Councillor Slywka
THAT the R.M. will follow the Saskatchewan Provincial Statutory Holidays for all Statutory Holidays.
CARRIED

305/22 **Purchase from Lipton School Christmas Fundraiser**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
THAT we purchase an indoor tropical Christmas planter from the Lipton School Fundraiser at a cost of \$40.00.
CARRIED

Councillor Arthur declared a conflict of interest and refrained from the discussion and voting as he is part of the community group putting on the comedy night.

306/22 **Christmas Party**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
THAT the R.M. Christmas party be held at the Dysart comedy night on December 10, 2022.
CARRIED

Councillor Slywka declared a conflict of interest and refrained from discussion and voting as his term is completing and he would like to purchase his I-pad.

307/22 **Completed Term Councillors Option to Purchase I-pad**
Moved By: Councillor Miller
THAT Councillors who have completed their 4-year term as a councillor has the option to purchase their R.M. supplied I-pad at a cost of \$50.00.
CARRIED

308/22 **Discuss Agenda Item 18.1**
Moved By: Councillor Huber
THAT Council review and discuss agenda item 18.1 being an in camera session to review lawyer correspondence now.
CARRIED

309/22 **In Camera**
Moved By: Councillor Arthur
THAT this meeting move to closed session at 11:50 a.m. as per section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* and section 21 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss the following matters:
Lawyer Correspondence
CARRIED

310/22 **Revert to Open Meeting**
Moved By: Councillor Slywka
THAT Council revert to an open meeting at 11:56 a.m.
CARRIED

311/22 **Cattle at Large**
Moved By: Councillor Arthur
THAT the Administrator is to send a registered letter to Randy Gibson and the RCMP notifying them that Randy's cattle have been roaming at large more than once and that this is causing traffic hazards as well as destroying the neighbour's property. Furthermore, it should instruct Mr. Gibson to confine his animals within his property or they will be dealt with under the *Stray Animals Act*.
CARRIED

312/22 Decommission South Water Well
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer
THAT the Administrator start working towards decommissioning the South Water well located at legal land description Block A, Plan 101232380 Ext 27.
CARRIED

Councillor Huber exited the meeting via phone at 12:09 p.m.

Reeve Senft exited Council Chambers at 12:20 p.m. and passed the Chair to Deputy Reeve Czemerer.

Reeve Senft returned to Council Chambers at 12:22 p.m. and assumed the Chair.

313/22 Acquire Land by R.M. Shop within Lipton
Moved By: Councillor Miller
THAT the R.M. counter offer the Village of Lipton a total of \$20,000.00 to purchase the lots located immediately North of the current R.M. shop being legal land description Lots 9 & 10, Block 21, Plan 1023845514. This amount would include \$16,200.00 for lost tax revenue for 15 years and \$3800.00 for both lots.
CARRIED

314/22 Bylaw 2022-06 A Bylaw to Repeal An Existing Bylaw
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Czemerer
THAT Bylaw 2022-06 being a Bylaw to repeal an existing bylaw be introduced and read a first time.
CARRIED

315/22 Bylaw 2022-06 Second Reading
Moved By: Councillor Arthur
THAT Bylaw 2022-06 be read a second time.
CARRIED

316/22 Authorization for Council to give three readings to Bylaw 2022-06
Moved By: Councillor Miller
THAT authorization be given to offer third and final reading to Bylaw 2022-06.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

317/22 Bylaw 2022-06 Third Reading and Adoption
Moved By: Councillor Arthur
THAT Bylaw 2022-06 being a Bylaw to repeal existing bylaws be read a third time and adopted.
CARRIED

318/22 Correspondence
Moved By: Councillor Slywka
THAT the following correspondence be accepted as presented and filed:
1) Agricultural Health and Safety Network - SARM 90th Anniversary Student Scholarship and Discovery Days
2) Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan - Sask. Multicultural Week Proclamation
3) SARM - A Message from President Ray Orb - James Smith Cree Nation and Rural Crime
4) SARM - Midterm Convention Resolutions
5) Statistics Canada - 2021 Census Data on First Nations people, Metis and Inuit in Canada
6) RMAA 2022 Salary Schedule
7) RCMP - Combined Traffic Services Quarterly Update

CARRIED

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319/22 Administration Report
Moved By: Councillor Miller

THAT Council accepts the Administrator report as presented.

CARRIED


320/22 Adjournment
Moved By: Councillor Miller

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

CARRIED



Reeve



Administrator

