

**PLEASE NOTE THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE
LIPTON SENIORS RECREATION CENTRE
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OFFICE AFTER THE NOON BREAK TO COMPLETE THEIR AGENDA**

**Rural Municipality of Lipton #217
Agenda for January 7, 2020 Regular Council Meeting
The Rural Municipal Office, 226 Main Street, Lipton, SK
9:00 A.M.**

Call to Order by Reeve

1. Agenda additions/deletions and approval of agenda

2. Reading of the Minutes

a. Regular Meeting Minutes- December 9, 2019

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

5. Financial Statement:

(1) Statement of Financial Activity for month of December, 2019

6. List of Accounts for Approval

a. Payments for December, 2019 & January 2020

7. Delegations:

a. 10 a.m. Heather Scheidt and JD Lloyd representatives of the Ministry of Government Relations, Public Safety Division will be making a presentation as to the responsibilities relating to Fire Services and Emergency Services under the Provincial Legislation.

Council has invited the Mayors of Villages of Lipton and Dysart, and the respective Fire Chiefs and Administration.

8. Council Reports:

9. New Business:

a. Administration proceeded to contact four engineering firms as directed by Council at their November meeting to place proposals for the engineering on the #639 Grid Dysart North. Invited firms were Associated Engineering, WSP Consulting, McElhanney

Consulting Services and Don Kornowski Consulting. Attached is the material sent to the firms. Of the four firms, Associated Engineering declined to put forth a proposal, and there were no responses from the other two firms. One proposal from WSP Consulting Services, which is attached for Council's review and direction.

- b. The Administrator is seeking direction from Council to transfer the 2019 Road construction budget of \$260,000 to capital reserves, Special Signs budget \$32,400, to reserves as the work is approximately 75% completed and will be completed early in 2020. One other point for consideration is transferring the amount of \$66,000 for road maintenance to capital reserves, to be allocated to the Dysart North Grid project. Copy of the budget control statement is attached,
- c. Does Council wish to set up a committee to explore acquiring lands for the public works equipment and culvert storage. Presently the equipment is on Village property to the north side of the building.

10. By-laws:

- a. By-law 2020-01 – A By-law to Licence Excavation of Gravel from Gravel Pits
The bylaw recognizes the rate increase approved by the Provincial Government for a two year period. The Bylaw may receive all three readings.

11. Correspondence:

- (a) Congratulations to Councillor Arthur for a completing the Respect in the Work Place Program
- (b) Weed Inspector report stating that 2019 season was more spraying on weeds than actual inspection of the Municipality.
- (c) Lieutenant Governor's Award information
- (d) SARM Nominations for President, Vice-president and Directors for Division 1,3, and 5 are now open with nominations closing February 5th, 2020
- (e) Correspondence from Bill Huber, Division 1 Director stating he is letting his name stand for Director for Division 1, SARM
- (f) SARM—Governance By-law
- (g) East Central Transportation Planning Committee Newsletter

12. Administration Report:

- 1. Tax collections for municipal current taxes for 2019 were 95.0.6% compared to collections for 2018 as of December were 93.6% . The overall collections are consistent.
- 2. Administration will be contacting all gravel hauler agreement holders reminding them to pay their 2019 haul costs and sign the haul agreement for 2020.
- 3. Administration is closing out 2019 and preparing for the audit which will be February 20 and 21, 2020.