

Rural Municipality of Lipton, No. 217
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2023

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 July 18th, 2023 commencing at 8:02 a.m.

Present: Reeve:

Corey Senft

Councillors:

Division 1: Bill Huber (via telephone)

Division 2: Darwin Huber

Division 3: Dale Czemerer

Division 4: Christopher Catto

Administrator:

Ronda Heisler

Foreman:

Nick Petrar

Absent:

Councillors:

Division 5: Twila Miller

Division 6: Tomas Arthur

Call To Order

Reeve Senft called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Approval/Additions/Deletions To the Agenda

2023/211

Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

THAT the agenda be adopted with agenda item 11.8 road work from road tour being reviewed after the foreman report.

CARRIED

Foreman Report:

- Graveling: Jackson's has completed most of the graveling just half of Division 4 left and all of Division 2.
- The mower operator is done Divisions 1 & 2 and will be moving into Division 3. He is doing the Dysart North first before Division 3 as the weeds are really bad.
- The mower has had 3 break downs to date.
- Road tour was good.

Foreman Report

2023/212

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT Council accepts the Foreman's report as presented.

CARRIED

Foreman Nick Petrar exited the meeting at 8:22 a.m.

Councillor Darwin Huber entered the meeting at 8:23 a.m.

June 20th, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

2023/213

Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

THAT the June 20th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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2023/214 June 22, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
Moved By: Councillor Bill Huber

THAT the June 22nd, 2023 Special Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Foreman Nick Petrar returned to the meeting at 8:28 a.m. to give foreman report again as there was an error regarding the time of the meeting on the agenda and Councillor Darwin Huber missed the report and road work discussions.

Foreman Nick Petrar exited the meeting at 8:37 a.m.

Business Arising From Minutes

- Follow up on gravel for David Mandziak
- Inquiry as to when we should expect to know if we were successful applicants for the Rural Integrated Roads for Growth Funding.

2023/215 Within Business Arising - Send Letter
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the Administrator is to send a letter to the owner of NW-24-22-14-W2, Sasktel and the contractor for Sasktel being Polus Telecommunications reminding all parties that the sludge from hydrovacating Sasktel lines that Polus Telecommunications unloaded into the road allowance north of NW-24-22-14-W2 shall be leveled out into NW-24-22-14-W2 and that the road allowance will be put back to its original state by the land owner.

CARRIED

2023/216 Bank Reconciliations
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT the RCU and RBC Bank Reconciliations for the month of June 2023 be approved as presented. These reports shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

2023/217 Statement of Financial Activities
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of June 2023 be approved as presented. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

2023/218 List of Accounts for Approval
Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

THAT Council approves the List of Accounts for Approval as presented including Cheque No. 5199 to 5212 and other online payments totaling \$69,113.72, Mastercard totaling \$878.50 and payroll for periods PP#13 and PP#14 totaling \$15,865.23.

CARRIED

Delegations: 9:00 a.m. Sgt. Kurtenbach unable to attend

Council Reports:

Division 1:

- Hole in the road west of Paul Drew's that had 1/3" rock in the bottom. I had Jackson's put a couple loads of pit run in.
- Jackson's made an error and put pit run on Boundary Road that I didn't approve.
- Pawluk gave a quote of \$15,000.00 to rebuild the grades by Paul Drew's.

Division 2:

- Bobby came out with Bill and I to do a road tour of all the bad spots.

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- I received a complaint about the rocks on the road that Deer Creek laid to fix a spot that flattened this person's tires.
- The grader operators need to keep their blade angled to wing off rocks.
- Most issues were discussed on the road tour.
- The mower went into the cemetery again after they were asked not to last year.
- Lots of washboards.

Division 3:

- Graveling is done in my division.
- Fixed two spots by Louis Halbgewachs.
- Grass cutting is starting in my division.
- Also have washboard too due to too much gravel.

Division 4:

- Everything is good.
- Looked at hole by Fred Bigalky's.
- Asked to have the grader to be there for when I am getting a quote on removing some of the hill on Range Road 2134 South of the Strasbourg.

Division 5:

- Roads are overall good shape as we all seen on the road tour.
- Road south of our place we dropped clay in low spots last week and Gaza was near by so Nick had him come make it pretty and packed it down. Some gravel will go down that road as per Nick 75 yards. This was the cobble stone road I call it that you all saw during the road tour. Cannot maintain it much due to rocks.
- Fixed a spot for Kevin Belof north of Walter Nakonechny. Nick was able to pull some clay in and Jackson's graveled it. Worked well. Thanks Nick.
- Just a concern as always is getting the brush and trees cut on some backroads need it this year or it will be out of hand in size. Even the bottoms of ditches in places...we need to reach them.
- Mulching we need to discuss as many spots need to be maintained for snow reasons. Nick is aware of the spots. Perhaps we look at the budget and what we can consider.

Division 6:

- I don't have much for a report other than thank you to everyone for the road tour last week.
- Graveling is mostly done in my division.
- I had Jeffery the weed inspector spray scentless chamomile along the Dysart Grid.
- Also had Sheldon Gibson drop some pit run in a few holes Nick was able to repair after.

Reeve:

- Andy Benesh called me with concerns of the RM decommissioning the water well south of Dysart as he uses it to water his cattle and garden.

Within Council Reports - Rescind Resolutions

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT we rescind resolutions 2023/197 & 2023/198.

2023/219

CARRIED

2023/220 **Within Council Reports - Send Letter**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT the Administrator is to send a letter to Andrew Benesh to notify him that the RM will not decommission the RM water well located at Block A, Plan 101232380 Ext. 27 located within SE-04-22-15-W2. Furthermore, he is responsible to abide by all regulations set by the Water Security Agency regarding operating a well as well as he will be responsible for all costs incurred to operate the well.

CARRIED

2023/221 **Council Reports**
Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

THAT the Council reports be accepted.

CARRIED

Councillor Bill Huber declared a conflict of interest regarding the delegation with the Freeland Road Rate Payers Regarding the RM's Fencing Policy.

Councillor Bill Huber exited the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

2023/222 **Technical Break**
Moved By: Reeve Corey Senft

THAT the time being 9:30 a.m. we take a 5-minute recess.

CARRIED

2023/223 **Reconvene**
Moved By: Reeve Corey Senft

THAT the time being 9:36 a.m. we reconvene our regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Tyler Kondra the engineer for the Freeland Road Project entered the meeting via phone at 10:55 a.m.

Tyler Kondra exited the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

2023/224 **Change Date of the August Meeting**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the August regular meeting date be changed to August 22nd starting at 8:00 a.m.

CARRIED

2023/225 **Tax Enforcement - Apply for Title**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT the Administrator, on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217, be authorized to proceed under the *Tax Enforcement Act* to acquire title for the following described land:

NE Sec 21-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 0 Title No. 130020376
NW Sec 21-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 0 Title No. 130020398
SW Sec 21-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 1 Title No. 130020400
SW Sec 21-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 2 Title No. 130020455
SW Sec 16-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 0 Title No. 130020466
NW Sec 16-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 1 Title No. 132473561
NW Sec 16-Twp 24-Rge 15-W2 Ext. 2 Title No. 132473583
SW Sec 04-Twp 24-Rge 14-W2 Ext. 0 Title No. 104072970
Blk/Par W, Plan No. 92R61650 Ext. 0 Title No. 137508699
Blk/Par A, Plan No. 101268637 Ext. 1 Title No. 108261851

CARRIED

2023/226 **North Valley Intermunicipal Organization Dissolution**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT Council agrees to dissolve the North Valley Intermunicipal Organization due to extended inactivity within the group. Furthermore, the funds remaining after dissolution in the bank account shall be donated to STARS.

CARRIED

2023/227 **Pasqua First Nations Treaty Land Entitlement NE-35-22-15-W2**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT Council directs Administration to send a letter to Pasqua Reserve stating the R.M. has no general issues or concerns with Indigenous Services Canada proceeding with Additions to Reserve on legal land description NE-35-22-15-W2.

CARRIED

2023/228 **Union Collective Agreement Re-Bargaining**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the RM contract Laurie Anne Rusnick to review the current collective agreement and present considerations to Council to consider during the bargaining process.

CARRIED

Garnet Harman, Kieran Doetzel, Stanley Norrish and Darrell Wagner entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Councillor Bill Huber entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m. via phone.

Delegation: 10:00 a.m. Freeland Road Rate Payers Regarding Fencing Policy

In Attendance: Garnet Harman, Stanley Norrish, Kieran Doetzel and Darrell Wagner.

To discuss concerns regarding the RM's fencing policy does not cover the full cost of removal and replacement of a fence.

Garnet Harman, Stanley Norrish, Kieran Doetzel and Darrell Wagner exited the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Councillor Bill Huber exited the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

2023/229 **SaskPower Request to Move Poles Within Hayward Road Allowance**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the road allowance 1-mile East of Highway 35 on the Hayward Road widens on the South side of SW-18-23-13-W2 then reverts back to 30m at the start of SE-13-23-14-W2. Therefore, Council approves of SaskPower moving 2 power poles onto either side of the range road South 2m and 1m to reduce the amount of deflection.

CARRIED

2023/230 **Furnace for Municipal Office**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT Council accepts the quote for the purchase and installation of a furnace for the municipal office from Schepen's Plumbing & Heating at a cost of \$3,465.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED

2023/231 **Increase Offer for Removal and Replacement of Fence for Freeland Project**
Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

THAT the RM offer the land owners affected by the Freeland Road Project an extra \$1,250.00 per mile on top of the already \$3,500.00 per mile offered for a total of \$4,750.00 per mile to remove and replace the fencing which will be affected by the new required road allowance of 42 metres.

CARRIED

2023/232 **Correspondence**
Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto
THAT the following correspondence be accepted as presented and filed:
1) SARM - News Release - Increased Challenges Due to Clean Fuel Standard.
2) SARM - 2023 Long Term Disability Rates for Outside Employees.
3) RCMP - Quarterly Statistics
CARRIED

2023/233 **Administration Report**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber
THAT Council accepts the Administrator report as presented.
CARRIED

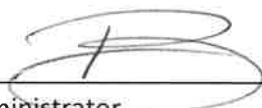
2023/234 **In Camera**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber
THAT this meeting move to closed session at 12:30 p.m. as per section 120 of The Municipalities Act and section 16(1)(b) of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to discuss the following matters:
Human Resources
In Attendance:
Reeve Corey Senft
Division 2 Councillor Darwin Huber
Division 3 Councillor Dale Czemerer
Division 4 Councillor Christopher Catto
Administrator Ronda Heisler
CARRIED

2023/235 **Revert to Open Meeting**
Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto
THAT Council revert to an open meeting at 1:11 p.m.
CARRIED

2023/236 **Adjournment**
Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 1:11 p.m.
CARRIED



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Administrator