

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF INVERGORDON No. 430
Regular meeting of Council held in the R.M. Council Chambers
7 Danchuk Drive in Crystal Springs, SK
April 12th 2023
9:00am

<i>Present:</i>	<i>Reeve</i>	<i>Bruce Hunter</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 1</i>	<i>Kelvin Dutka</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 2</i>	<i>Keith Thibault</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 3</i>	<i>Calvin Parsons</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 4</i>	<i>Kevin Hawreschuk</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 5</i>	<i>Wayne Bacon</i>
	<i>Councillor, Division 6</i>	<i>Edwin Rundbraaten</i>
	<i>Administrator</i>	<i>Courtney Beaulieu</i>
<i>Delegation:</i>	<i>Jody Penman</i>	<i>Brandt Tractor</i>
	<i>Bert Gaudet</i>	<i>Gaudet's Scientific Technical Services</i>

A quorum being present, Reeve Hunter called the meeting to order at 9:21am.

Delegation

Delegate, Jody Penman of *Brandt Tractor* and Foreman, Myron Toner joined the meeting at 9:21am to discuss a proposal for a 2023 John Deere 872GP Grader.

Jody Penman departed the meeting at 9:55am.

Staff Reports

Foreman Toner presented his report to Council and departed the meeting at 10:09am.

Utility Manager, Dean Matkowski joined the meeting at 10:09am.

Delegation

Delegate, Bert Gaudet of *Gaudet's Scientific Technical Services* joined the meeting at 10:10am to discuss alternative upgrade options for the Yellow Creek Waterworks. Bert Gaudet departed the meeting at 10:40am.

Staff Reports

Utility Manager Matkowski presented his report to Council and departed the meeting at 11:01am.

067/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Utility Manager's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Minutes of Regular Meeting

068/23 Parsons

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minutes of Regular Meeting held on Wednesday March 8, 2023 be approved as read.

CARRIED

Statement of Financial Activities

069/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Statement of Financial Activities as at March 31, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Bank Statement

070/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bank Statement as at March 31, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Payroll Register

071/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Reference No. 000439 to 000452 and 900048 totaling \$29,693.51 as outlined in the Payroll Register for March 2023 (Period 03 & 04) attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Ratify EFT 1975

072/23 Rundbraaten

WHEREAS, Administrator Beaulieu received written majority approval on March 21, 2023 to process a payment which was overlooked in the preparation of the March Council meeting accounts for approval.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the payment to Darren Neale in the amount of \$275.00 as made on EFT 1975 be ratified.

CARRIED

Authorized Expenditure Report

073/23 Parsons

WHEREAS, tax remittances, pension and source deductions as well as utility bills are authorized for payment under the Expenditure Authorization Bylaw and historically have been paid by automatic withdrawal or online banking.

WHEREAS, the Authorized Expenditure Report presented now includes these payments, with an assigned Payment #, in the AP Total to be acknowledged as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED, that payments totaling \$36,447.96 as outlined in the Authorized Expenditure Report attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

List of Accounts for Approval

074/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Cheque No. 3236 to 3264 and EFT No. 1976 to 1992 totaling \$51,521.97, as outlined in the List of Accounts for Approval attached to and forming part of these minutes, be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Mastercard Report

075/23 Thibault

WHEREAS, payments made on the municipal Credit Card are authorized under Resolution 148/20.

BE IT RESOLVED, that electronic payment in the amount of \$2,970.19 as outlined in the Mastercard Report attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Unpaid Taxes Report

076/23 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Unpaid Taxes Report as at March 31, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Correspondence

077/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council accept the following correspondence as read:

- Lakeview Pioneer Lodge Inc. Amalgamation Update
- NCTPC 2023 AGM Invitation

CARRIED

Council Reports

078/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, Councillor Thibault presented a report on the Lakeview Pioneer Lodge and Councillor Bacon updated on the Hudson Bay Route Association, APAS and the recent meeting with the Minister of Environment, Councillor Parsons and Administrator Beaulieu.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council Reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

079/23 Bacon

BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting recess for a lunch break at 12:23pm.

CARRIED

Reeve Hunter called the meeting back to order at 12:50pm.

Foreman Toner present at the time the meeting called back to order.

Staff Reports (Cont'd)

Foreman Toner continued his report to Council and departed at 2:10pm.

080/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, Foreman Toner recommended to Council that the Gravel Reclaimer be sold and a Power Harrow be purchased to better facilitate shoulder work.

WHEREAS, Foreman Toner presented a quote from *Dionco Sales and Services Ltd.* for an in-stock Power Harrow.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gravel Reclaimer be sold;

BH

AND, that the RM purchase a Lion 253 Classic Power Harrow (1000 RPM) from *Dionco Sales and Services Ltd.* for \$20,500.00 plus applicable taxes;

AND, that Administrator Beaulieu is authorized to immediately prepare payment following the adjournment of this meeting.

CARRIED

Highway Maintenance Contract

081/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council approve Contract #8323-35-03 with the Ministry of Highways (Wakaw Division) for gravel blading and snow removal on Tway Access and the portions of Highway 320 within municipal boundaries, at the RM's current custom work rates, to a maximum of \$50,000.00 or until March 31, 2024 whichever occurs first.

CARRIED

Parcel Tie (Meskanaw)

082/23 Bacon

WHEREAS, the request to approve a Parcel Tie in Meskanaw was granted on Resolution 388/22 however ISC (Information Services Canada) requires specific wording in the Resolution in order to process the transaction.

BE IT RESOLVED, Council hereby consents to the titled owner's request to create a new parcel tie code and permanently tie the titles of the following two (2) adjoining properties in the Organized Hamlet of Meskanaw:

Lot 12 Block 2 Plan BF2974 (Title 155668359)

Lot 13 Block 2 Plan BF2797 (Title 155668360)

CARRIED

Recall Seasonal Operators

083/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the official start date of Equipment Operator, Troy Laroche whom was hired on October 12, 2022 but did not commence duties at that time, be acknowledged as April 1, 2023.

CARRIED

084/23 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that Equipment Operator, Dennis Drapak, not be recalled due to retirement and that the RM terminate his employment benefits as of April 12, 2023.

CARRIED

Landfill Spring Groundwater Monitoring Proposal

085/23 Parsons

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposal submitted by *Pinter & Associates Ltd.* for the spring groundwater monitoring and the preparation and submission of an Annual Report to the Ministry of Environment in the amount of \$7,750.00 plus applicable taxes, be approved

CARRIED

Tax Abatement Request

086/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, Administrator Beaulieu presented a property currently in tax enforcement due to unpaid 2022 taxes and has requested an abatement of said taxes as the property was not correctly assessed to the proper ownership.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the taxes and tax enforcement costs on Block A 66PA08192 Ext 0 (Roll 1905) be abated in the amount of \$27.81, as follows:

MUN \$10.32
#119 \$1.17
TEC \$16.32

CARRIED

Disposal of Lands Policy Revision

087/23 Dutka

WHEREAS, the current Minimum Price for the sale of municipal property in Crystal Springs, Meskanaw and Yellow Creek is \$500.00 and in Tway is \$250.00.

WHEREAS, the RM has easily sold all Tax Title Property in the hamlets at these Minimum Prices however this continues to result in a net loss on the sale.

WHEREAS, Administrator Beaulieu presented a Revision to the Disposal of Lands Policy, as follows:

A. Minimum Price for the sale of Tax Title Property shall be:

- a) \$1,000.00; or
- b) The total amount of tax arrears including interest and tax enforcement costs and costs incurred by the RM in preparing the property for sale (e.g. legal survey);
whichever is higher.

L. The disposal of all Tax Title Property shall be in accordance with *The Tax Enforcement Act*, and a legal survey shall be performed prior to the public sale of the property.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Revision 3 to the GG-002 Disposal of Lands Policy be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

Consent to Land Sale NW 9-43-24-W2

088/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, Council consented to the sale of vacant Crown Land NW 9-43-24-W2 on Resolution 156/19 from the Ministry of Agriculture to the current lessee.

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Agriculture has since advised the sale did not materialize and seeks Council approval to advertise for the public sale of this land at an upcoming auction.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council consent to the public sale of NW 9-43-24-W2 by the Ministry of Agriculture

CARRIED

Donation Requests

089/23 Bacon

WHEREAS, the Town of Kinistino has requested a donation towards the Community Centre to assist with the overrun of costs during its construction.

WHEREAS, Kinistino Museum has requested a financial donation to assist in meeting general operating expenses.

WHEREAS, Kinistino Kinsmen has requested a donation for the silent auction at its fundraising event being held on April 22, 2023 at the new Community Centre in Kinistino, SK.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the RM donate 1 load (25 yards) of Crushed Gravel, delivery included within the RM of Invergordon only, to the Kinistino Kinsmen;

AND, that the RM donate \$250.00 to the Kinistino Museum.

CARRIED

Operating Budget

090/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that a wage premium be established for time spent welding (in the RM Shop or otherwise) of \$2.00 per hour;

AND, that due to high inflation in 2022 the following Equipment Operators receive a wage increase of \$2.00 per hour, effective April 1, 2023:

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]


CARRIED

Adjourn

091/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting be adjourned at 4:11pm.

CARRIED


Bruce Hunter
Reeve


Courtney Beaulieu
Administrator