# RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF INVERGORDON No. 430

# Regular meeting of Council held in the R.M. Council Chambers 7 Danchuk Drive in Crystal Springs, SK July 12<sup>th</sup> 2023

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Present:

Reeve

Bruce Hunter

Councillor, Division 1

Kelvin Dutka

Councillor, Division 2

Keith Thibault

Councillor, Division 4

Kevin Hawreschuk

Councillor, Division 5

Wavne Bacon

Councillor, Division 6

Edwin Rundbraaten

Administrator

Courtney Beaulieu

Absent:

Councillor, Division 3

Calvin Parsons

A quorum being present, Reeve Hunter called the meeting to order at 9:01am.

## Staff Reports

Utility Manager, Dean Matkowski joined the meeting at 9:07am to present his report to Council and departed at 9:22am.

#### 146/23 Hawreschuk

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

**CARRIED** 

## Minutes of Regular Meeting

## 147/23 Bacon

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minutes of Regular Meeting held on Wednesday June 14, 2023 be approved as read.

**CARRIED** 

## Statement of Financial Activities

#### 148/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Statement of Financial Activities as at June 30, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

#### Bank Statement

### 149/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bank Statement as at June 30, 2023 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## Payroll Register

#### 150/23 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that Reference No. 000491 to 000513 totaling \$49,490.39 as outlined in the Payroll Register for June 2023 (Period 11 & 12) attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

# Ratify Utility Trailer

## 151/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchase of a 2023 Rainbow Utility Trailer from *The Tractor Company* (Osler, SK) in the amount of \$5,180.00 plus applicable taxes be ratified as paid following the written majority approval given to Administrator Beaulieu on June 19, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

## Authorized Expenditure Report

## 152/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following authorized expenditures totaling \$89,218.28 as outlined in the Authorized Expenditure Report attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented:

- EFT No. 2048 to 2049;
- Cheque No. 3329;
- E-Transfer No. 2023-7;
- Online Banking No. 2023-14 to 2023-22; and
- Automatic Withdrawal No. 2023-16 to 2023-51.

**CARRIED** 

# Staff Reports

Foreman, Myron Toner joined the meeting at 9:45am to present his report to Council.

Councillors, Kelvin Dutka and Keith Thibault and Foreman Toner departed the meeting at 10:40am to respond to a fire call.

## 153/23 Rundbraaten

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

**CARRIED** 

## Sale of Old Fuel Tank Lots

## 154/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, two (2) adjacent lots owned by the RM in the Organized Hamlet of Crystal Springs previously contained above ground fuel tanks which have since been sold and the properties are not used for municipal purposes.

WHEREAS, the lots are not tax title property and are vacant (no buildings or improvements).

WHEREAS, Land Disposal Policy GG-002 states that property that wasn't acquired under *The Tax Enforcement Act* does not require a minimum bid amount and does not require advertisement in a local newspaper.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Lot 2 & 3, Block 4, Plan CS6528 on Bonne Eau Lane in Crystal Springs, SK be immediately advertised for public sale on the municipal website and posted in the municipal office, with no minimum bid requirement and with bids to be first considered at the next Regular Meeting on August 9, 2023.

**CARRIED** 



# List of Accounts for Approval

## 155/23 Bacon

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following payments, totaling \$100,018.16, as outlined in the List of Accounts for Approval attached to and forming part of these minutes, be approved for payment:

- Cheque No. 3330 to 3362; and
- EFT No. 2050 to 2068.

CARRIED

## Unpaid Taxes Report

## 156/23 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Unpaid Taxes Report as at June 30, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Councillors Dutka and Thibault and Foreman Toner rejoined the meeting at 11:39am.

# Staff Reports

Administrator Beaulieu presented a complaint to Council which was submitted by a ratepayer regarding the Yellow Creek Fire Department.

## 157/23 Hawreschuk

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

CARRIED

#### 158/23 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting recess for a lunch break at 12:06pm.

**CARRIED** 

Reeve Hunter called the meeting back to order at 12:30pm. Foreman Toner departed during the lunch break and did not return.

## Crystal Ridge Survey

## 159/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, in May 2022 a survey was issued to landowners at the lakeshore subdivision of Crystal Ridge.

WHEREAS, the survey requested input on the Camper regulation in the Interim Development Control Bylaw 21-06 which is also proposed in the draft Official Zoning Bylaw.

WHEREAS, the survey also requested input on potential recreational development of the Municipal Reserve lands at the subdivision.

WHEREAS, said regulation states that one (1) Camper is permitted until September 15, 2024 without a dwelling constructed.

WHEREAS, from the total of 32 surveys issued, Administrator Beaulieu received 18 responses whereby 12 of those responses (66.67%) were "in favor" of the Camper regulation.



WHEREAS, a few respondents indicated a boat launch, dock, beach or picnic area would be desirable development of the Municipal Reserve lands.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crystal Ridge survey results be acknowledged as received.

**CARRIED** 

## Subdivision SW-30-44-23-W2

#### 160/23 Dutka

WHEREAS, a quarter section of land in which the RM owns containing gravel deposits has been confirmed to contain the deposits in the north portion of the land.

WHEREAS, a surveyor has prepared a Plan of Proposed Subdivision to subdivide this portion of land from the balance of the quarter.

WHEREAS, the RM may desire to sell the balance of the quarter following an approved subdivision.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Plan of Proposed Subdivision as drawn by *Valley Geomatics Land Surveying* dated July 4, 2023 of Parcel "A" (39.3 ac) on SW 30-44-23-W2 be approved;

AND THAT, Administrator Beaulieu and Reeve Hunter be authorized to sign the subdivision application to Community Planning.

**CARRIED** 

## Regional Park Mill Rate

## 161/23 Bacon

WHEREAS, Struthers Lake Regional Park Board has not established a 2023 uniform mill rate as of the date of this meeting, however a meeting is scheduled to address this item on July 14, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council acknowledges that the 2023 uniform mill rate will be communicated to Administrator Beaulieu following the SLRP meeting on July 14, 2023;

AND THAT, such mill rate will be levied accordingly during the tax levy process and said rate will be acknowledged at the next Regular Meeting.

**CARRIED** 

## **Education Mill Rates**

#### 162/23 Bacon

WHEREAS, the Education Property Tax mill rates have not increased from 2022.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2023 Education Property Tax mill rates be acknowledged as follows:

- Agricultural Property 1.42 mills
- Residential Property 4.54 mills;
- Commercial/Industrial Property 6.86 mills; and
- Resource Property 9.88 mills.

**CARRIED** 

# Conservation & Development Area Levies

## 163/23 Bacon

WHEREAS, the Birch Hills C&D levy has not increased from 2022.

WHEREAS, the Fletts Springs C&D levy increased by \$0.75 per acre from 2022 due to the Waterhen Lake Project.

WHEREAS, the Shannonville C&D levy has not increased from 2022.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2023 Conservation & Development Area levies be acknowledged as follows:

- Birch Hills C&D \$0.55 per acre (total levy \$14,280.57)
- Fletts Springs C&D \$1.25 per acre (total levy \$7,723.75)
- Shannonville C&D \$2.85 per acre (total levy \$3,529.00)

**CARRIED** 

## Municipal Mill Rate

## 164/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council hereby sets the following uniform mill rates for 2023:

- i. Municipal 9.5 mills; and
- ii. Special Service Area of Yellow Creek 14.5 mills.

**CARRIED** 

## Minimum Tax Bylaw

### 165/23 Dutka

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following minimum taxes will be applied to all taxable property for municipal purposes, except for property residing in the Organized Hamlet of Crystal Springs, Meskanaw, Tway and the Special Service Area of Yellow Creek:

i.	Agricultural	\$10.00 Land	
ii.	Residential	\$450.00 Land	\$250.00 Improvements
iii.	Commercial	\$450.00 Land	\$250.00 Improvements

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following minimum taxes will be applied to all taxable property in the Organized Hamlet of Crystal Springs:

i	Agricultural	\$50.00 Land	
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ii.	Residential	\$100.00 Land	\$100.00 Improvements
iii.	Commercial	\$100.00 Land	\$200.00 Improvements

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following minimum taxes will be applied to all taxable property in the Organized Hamlet of Meskanaw:

i.	Agricultural	\$40.00 Land	
ii.	Residential	\$80.00 Land	\$80.00 Improvements
iii.	Commercial	\$80.00 Land	\$180.00 Improvements

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following minimum taxes will be applied to all taxable property in the Organized Hamlet of Tway:

i. Agricultural \$50.00 Land

ii. Residential \$50.00 Land \$25.00 Improvements iii. Commercial \$50.00 Land \$25.00 Improvements

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following minimum taxes will be applied to all taxable property in the Special Service Area of Yellow Creek:

i. Agricultural \$250.00 Land

ii. Residential \$250.00 Land \$200.00 Improvements iii. Commercial \$250.00 Land \$450.00 Improvements

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-02, being a bylaw to provide for a minimum tax be read a first time.

**CARRIED** 

## 166/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-02 be read a second time.

**CARRIED** 

#### 167/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-02 be given three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 168/23 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-02 be read a third time and is hereby adopted.

**CARRIED** 

## Mill Rate Factor Bylaw

## 169/23 Rundbraaten

WHEREAS, for the year 2023, the following mill rate factors will be applied to the uniform mill rate levied against taxable property for municipal purposes, except for property residing in the Organized Hamlet of Crystal Springs, Meskanaw, Tway and the Special Service Area of Yellow Creek:

- i. Agricultural 0.8925
- ii. Residential 0.90
- iii. Commercial & Industrial 1.00

WHEREAS, these rates represent a 5% decrease to the Agricultural mill rate factor (thereby increasing the rate of taxation by 5%) and no change to the Residential or Commercial & Industrial mill rate factors from 2022.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-03, being a bylaw to establish a mill rate factor be read a first time.

**CARRIED** 

#### 170/23 Bacon

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-03 be read a second time.

CARRIED

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## 171/23 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-03 be given three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 172/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-03 be read a third time and is hereby adopted.

**CARRIED** 

## Parcel Consolidation - Tway

## 173/23 Dutka

WHEREAS, the landowner of two (2) adjacent properties in the Organized Hamlet of Tway has requested the approval to consolidate the parcels with ISC.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council hereby authorizes the consolidation of Lot 22 and Lot 23 of Block 3 Plan CJ1420 into one (1) legal parcel, with all fees and costs charged in accordance with ISC Services Policy GG-010.

**CARRIED** 

# Crystal Springs Boulevard Bylaw

## 174/23 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, at its Annual General Meeting of Voters on February 16, 2023 the Crystal Springs Hamlet Board passed a motion to require all landowners in the Organized Hamlet to be responsible for maintenance of the boulevard and right of ways, up to the road surface.

WHEREAS, in cases where the right of way contains a deep ditch, the RM will continue to mow this area with its tractor mower and charge the Organized Hamlet accordingly.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-04, being a bylaw to effectively manage the boulevards and right of ways in Crystal Springs, be read a first time.

**CARRIED** 

#### 175/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-04 be read a second time.

**CARRIED** 

#### 176/23 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-04 be given three readings at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 177/23 Bacon

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-04 be read a third time and is hereby adopted.

**CARRIED** 

## Amend Bylaw

#### 178/23 Rundbraaten

WHEREAS, currently the Unorganized Hamlet of Waitville was omitted from the scope of Dog Control Bylaw 22-15.

WHEREAS, due to ongoing issues on their property with at-large dogs, a ratepayer submitted a request to amend such bylaw to add the unorganized hamlet into the regulations.



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BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-05, being a bylaw to amend Dog Control Bylaw 22-15, be read a first time.

**CARRIED** 

179/23 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-05 be read a second time.

**CARRIED** 

180/23 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-05 be given three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

181/23 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bylaw 23-05 be read a third time and is hereby adopted.

**CARRIED** 

Adjourn

182/23 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting be adjourned at 2:32pm.

**CARRIED** 

Bruce Hunter

Reeve

Courtney Beaulieu

Administrator r