

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris held a public hearing on Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level of the Rosenort Credit Union building

Reeve Herm Martens presided.

Council Members present were: Barry Fraese, Ralph Groening, Leo Kornelson, Stan Siemens, Sieg Neumann, Denis Robert.

The purpose of this public hearing was for the purpose of a borrowing authorization for the construction of the Rosenort Community Dyke/Diversion project. A letter of notice for this hearing was duly mailed to all property owners affected by the taxation of the proposed Community Dyke/Diversion.

There were approximately 80 people who attended this hearing.

Prior to the hearing, Council had received 7 letters expressing their objection to the dyke or the method of taxation to pay for this project.

Reeve Herm Martens opened the meeting and welcomed all those that were in attendance.

Mr. Leroy Friesen, Chairman of Rosenort Dyke Committee, was then asked to introduce and name the members of this Committee.

Following this, Mr. Grant Macaulay, the R. M. of Morris C.A.O., gave a short presentation on what is being proposed to be done and the impacts of the building of this dyke/diversion. The information was generally where the dyke would be located, the process of this borrowing, the cost estimates of the dyke project and the taxation implications of same.

Following this presentation, Council then opened the floor to presentations from the audience and there would be a question and answer period concerning the borrowing and finally a question and answer period concerning the dyke/diversion project in general.

Mr. Bert Kornelson representing the Morris Macdonald School Division read a written proposal of concerns regarding the project.

Mr. Kerry Eidse stated that previously it was stated that the land was not to be assessed. He has flood proofed his own property and now is required to pay again for the community dyke.

Mr. Elmer Friesen stated that he lives inside the current Rosenort dyke and does not want to pay for the proposed dyke project. He also noted that the current dyke proposal is 2 feet lower than the current dyke and questioned the safety of such action.

Mr. Jack Loewen told Council that he paid for the flood protection of his house and paid his own expenses. It is not fair that he now has to pay again for the proposed dyke. Can he be reimbursed for the flood proofing costs that he has already paid.

Mr. Dave Waldner also indicated that people have paid to flood proof their property and should not have to pay again. Having a large dyke is not necessarily a fair issue or how it is to be paid for.

Councillor Fraese explained why the east dyke boundary is where it is.

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Mr. Elmer Friesen questioned why the dyke proposal is lower than the existing dyke around Rosenort. In the event of another flood, the raising of 11 miles of dyke would be impossible.

Reeve Martens explained that the Province is considering upgrading the dykes to be 1997 level plus 4 feet.

Councillor Fraese indicated that on the west and north sides there would be lots of extra dirt and that the dyke could easily be made higher.

Mr. Dave Waldner stated that he did not believe that the Town of Carman paid for the river diversion and why should Rosenort have to pay for their diversion.

Mr. Bert Kornelson stated that the dyke project would have a taxation effect on a larger area because school taxes would increase and have to be recovered over the whole school division.

Mr. Howard Brown asked whether Council had considered exempting Schools and Churches from this taxation and asked that Council consider the matter.

Mr. Kerry Eidse stated that business taxes increasing would be passed on to their customers.

Mr. Art Friesen, representing the L.U.D. of Rosenort, stated that Rosenort had grown to its limits within the present dyke area and could not expand without dyke protection. Without this project, Rosenort would have to extend their dyke eastward and this would be done at Rosenort's expense totally. The water and sewer debentures are not over and there would be a lowering of taxes because this expense is no longer. Some street debentures are also over and the timing will not have a great impact for those properties that were paying these debentures. This dyke would allow for the expansion and growth of Rosenort and the community.

Mr. Ron Friesen questioned whether the seniors housing unit would be taxed. He was informed that this taxation would be on this property. There was a general explanation made that consideration of possible exemption cannot be made based on whether their funds come from a tax levy or what area the parishioners are from that attend a church or where a business has its clientele from. Making adjustments and exemptions based on this criteria would make it impossible to determine who would have an exempt status. Therefore, Council's past discussions were that all properties inside the dyke will be subject to paying on this debenture.

Councillor Kornelson questioned whether the Municipality would be able to handle the debenture debt load for these dyke projects.

Mr. Elmer Dueck commented to Council that foresight is needed for the future and commended Council to looking to the future for this dyke project.

Mr. Art Friesen indicated that dirt may be available to possibly make the dyke higher. The inside dyke may have to come down because of expansion needs of the community.

Mr. Kerry Eidse questioned why the Province is not talking to land owners about purchasing their property. The response was that the agreements had been signed and Land Management Services would be notified shortly to undertake the required land purchases. This notification authorization would be done by Water Resources Branch.

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Mr. Ron Friesen stated that the Municipality was to set a price for the land and that Provincial Land Management Services would be looking after the purchasing of property.

Mr. Friesen was informed that the Municipality had nothing to do with the setting of the price for the land.

Mr. Allan Dickson noted that there were considerable issues involved and felt that Rosenort needs flood protection and that the R. M. of Morris is the legal entity responsible. However, he expressed concern over the size and cost of the project to build it, the maintenance is another cost that must be addressed and the long term cost of this project have to be looked at. In times of flooding, the patrolling of the dyke would require many people. The dyke/diversion may cause alterations in the patterns that the flooding may take place or how the water will flow.

Mr. Jack Siemens questioned if everyone is guaranteed access.

Reeve Martens noted his situation of being between the diversion and the river and would bring the matter to the engineers attention and have a resolve to the situation.

Following some minor general discussion, Reeve Martens then adjourned the hearing at 8:45 p.m.



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Municipal Administrator

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7450	National Testing Lab	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	224.7
7451	Manitoba Culture & Heritage Office	Administration	27.5
7452	R-J-R Sanitation Inc.	Garbage Collection - L.U.D. of Rosenort	1,070.0
7453	Rosenort Chamber of Commerce	Christmas Lighting	245.4
7454	Rosenort Coop Ltd.	Other General	114.5
7455	Rosenort Service Centre	Equipment Fuel & Lubes	12.1
7456	Diana Dueck	Janitorial Services-L.U.D. of Rosenort	43.0
7457	Netty's Cafe	Other General	115.1
6297	Art Friesen	Monthly Report (Jan) L.U.D. of Rosenort	395.3
6298	Greg Friesen	Monthly Report (Jan) L.U.D. of Rosenort	200.0
6299	Jake Dueck	Monthly Report (Jan) L.U.D. of Rosenort	101.0
7458	Dave Harder	Social Assistance-Cornie & Betty Wall	200.0
7459	Cancel		
7460	Jake Reimer	Social Assistance-Cornie & Betty Wall	150.0
7461	Manitoba Hydro	Sperling Fire Prot. 288.73, Social Assistance-Cornie & Betty Wall 200.00	488.7
7462	MTS Communications	Sperling Fire Protection	85.1
7463	Worker's Compensation Brd.	Current Year Assessment	4,743.1
7464	Canada Post	LF S & W 78.75, Ros. S & W 118.13	196.8
7465	Grant Macaulay(Petty Cash)	Other Gen. 9.27, Ros. S & W 18.45, Office Admin. 8.50, Office Bldg. 5.01	41.2
6301	Leo Chartier	Salary less deductions	811.0
6302	Roger Chartier	Salary less deductions	783.1
6303	Henry Dueck	Salary less deductions	849.7
6304	Rene Duval	Salary less deductions	833.1
6305	Andy Friesen	Salary less deductions	849.5
6306	Jack D. Loewen	Salary less deductions	625.7
6307	John Reimer	Salary less deductions	396.1
6308	Ken Potter	Salary less deductions	230.4
6309	Evelyne Goertzen	Salary less deductions	662.6
6310	Don Harder	Salary less deductions	1,170.0
6311	Shannon Hesford	Salary less deductions	717.2
6312	Grant Macaulay	Salary less deductions	1,309.0
6313	Howard Brown	Salary less deductions	339.9
6314	Brian Friesen	Salary less deductions	396.9
7465A	Landry's Quality Meats	Inter-municipal Bonspiel	41.0
7466	Paulette Perron	Inter-municipal Bonspiel	967.5
7467	Receiver General	T4 Summary	898.3
7468	Air Liquide Canada Inc.	Workshop 23.25, Equip. Repairs 149.55	172.8
7469	Alcom Electronics	LF Fire Prot. 919.60, Sperling Fire 51.30	970.
7470	Altec Ind. Ltd.	LF Fire Prot.	14,657.9
7471	Alvin Barkman	Tax Overpayment	250.0
7472	Auto-Administrator	Office Admin.	25.0
7473	Bernie Bergen	Tax Overpayment	511.0
7474	Boyne River Mutual Aid	Fire Protection (Rosenort, Lowe Farm & Sperling)	150.0
7475	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	414.1
7476	Brenda Lemay	Office Building	700.0
7477	Bruce D. Gregory	Legal Services	337.0
7478	Byron & Carolyn Friesen	Tax Overpayment	133.3
7479	Centra Gas Manitoba Inc.	Office Bldg. 468.91, Workshop 469.67	938.5
7480	Christie's Office Plus	Office Admin.	4.5
7481	Church of God in Christ	Tax Overpayment	136.1
7482	Morris Curling Club Inc.	Grants to Organizations	1,000.0
7483	CWW/Scratching River Post	Advertising	26.7
7484	Darrell & Margaretha Penner	Tax Overpayment	250.0
7485	Den's Country Stop	Sperling Fire Protection	47.0
7486	Don Harder	Conventions & Delegations	66.1
7487	Donald Isaac	Tax Overpayment	139.6
7488	Doug Edel	Tax Overpayment	678.1
7489	Dueck's Lawn Care	Snow Removal-L.U.D of Rosenort	149.8
7490	Ed's OK Tire	Equipment Repair	239.1
7491	Enns Brothers Ltd.	Workshop 136.73, Equipment Repairs 28.94	181.5
7492	Enviro Test Laboratories	Lowe Farm S & W	37.0
7493	Farm Star Bearing & Electric	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	22.7
7494	Fresco Electric	Rosenort S & W	53.5
7495	Friesen Floor & Decor Inc.	Workshop	114.0

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7496	Friesens Business	Office Administration	205.2
7497	Grant Macaulay	March Expense	414.C
7498	Harold Klassen	Tax Overpayment	250.C
7499	J & I Service Ltd.	Equipment Fuel & Lubes	138.0
7500	John & Desiree Wiebe	Tax Overpayment	100.7
7501	John Friesen Custom Repair	Lowe Farm Fire Protection	991.8
7502	Lewis Instruments Ltd.	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	859.7
7503	Little Morden Service Ltd.	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	12.1
7504	Lowe Farm Coop Services	Equip. Fuel 1239.93, Equip. Repairs 111.64, LF Fire Prot. 1070.59, LF Nuis. Grds. 8.53, Social Assistance 485.20, LF S & W 6.88	2,922.
7505	Manitoba Good Roads Assoc.	Convention & Delegations	22.0
7506	Manitoba Hydro	L.U.D. of Rosenort 1868.00, Ros. S & W 789.49, Ros. Fire Prot. 330.27, St. Lights 126.60, Office 191.07, Workshop 535.91, LF Fire Prot. 263.20, LF S & W 297.21	4,401.7
7507	Mel Nott	Flood Control	1,952.7
7508	Merv Siemens	Rosenort Fire Protection	27.9
7509	Midland Manufacturing	Workshop	206.7
7510	Minister of Finance	Insurance (Fire Protection)	5,671.0
7511	Minister of Finance	Office Admin.	80.2
7512	Morris Build-All Centre	Workshop	81.3
7513	Morris Home Hardware	Workshop 1006.04, Office Bldg. 63.20, Equip. Repairs & Maintenance 24.83	1,094.0
7514	Morris Lions	Other General	12.0
7515	MTS Communications	Ros. S & W 86.39, Social Assistance 175.81, LF S & W 42.30, Workshop 52.27, Ros. Fire Prot. 86.30, Office 207.51, Ros. Nuis. grds. 45.31, LF Fire Prot. 43.15	739.0
7516	MTS Mobility	Workshop	234.6
7517	M.E.B. Program	RM Pension 1982.20, Life Ins. 500.80, Dep. Life Ins. 35.00, Vol. Life Ins. 14.40, L.T.D. 276.56	2,808.9
7518	Pembina Printing Ltd.	Trailer Advertisement	319.4
7519	Pembina Valley Dev.	Office Administration	1,387.3
7520	Pembina Valley Water	LF S & W 2126.15, Ros. S & W 6880.27, Rural 1624.32	10,630.7
7521	Pioneer Products Inc.	LF Fire Protection	360.3
7522	Piston Ring Service	Equip. Repairs 50.75, Workshop 43.69	94.4
7523	Power-matic Ind. Ltd.	Workshop	33.1
7524	Quintex Services Ltd.	Workshop	331.5
7525	R-J-R Sanitation Inc.	Garbage Collection-L.U.D. of Rosenort	1,112.8
7526	R.M. of Macdonald	Drainage	3,119.1
7527	Receiver General	CPP 786.10, E.I. 842.33, Income Tax 2277.05	3,905.4
7528	Receiver General	Radio License Renewal	1,319.0
7529	Riverbend Feed Mill	Tax Overpayment	852.11
7530	R.J.W. Enterprises	Snow & Ice Removal	219.3
7531	Rosenort Service Centre	Equipment Fuel	86.5
7532	Siemens Plumbing & Htg.	Rosenort S & W	18.7
7533	Staples	Office Administration	111.6
7534	Superior Seamless Exteriors	Rosenort Fire Prot.	410.1
7535	TerraFlex Ag Services	Tax Overpayment	162.5
7536	The International Coalition	Membership Fees	750.0
7537	Trails West Motor Inn	Convention & Delegations	951.5
7538	V.D.B. Enterprises	Workshop	68.4
7539	Venture Elite	Office Administration	50.0
7540	Waddra Enterprises	Other General-L.U.D. of Rosenort	150.0
7541	Wes Dueck Roofing Co.	Rosenort Fire Protection	4,083.1
6315	Leo Chartier	Salary less deductions	758.6
6316	Roger Chartier	Salary less deductions	783.1
6317	Henry Dueck	Salary less deductions	833.1
6318	Rene Duval	Salary less deductions	833.1
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6324	Don Harder	Salary less deductions	1,170.0
6325	Shannon Hesford	Salary less deductions	717.2
6326	Grant Macaulay	Salary less deductions	1,309.0
6327	Howard Brown	Salary less deductions	339.9
6328	Brian Friesen	Salary less deductions	396.9
6329	Barry Fraese	Monthly Report-February, 1999	1,025.0
6330	Leo Kornelson	Monthly Report-February, 1999	726.8
6331	Herm Martens	Monthly Report-February, 1999	1,727.5
6332	Sieg Neumann	Monthly Report-February, 1999	980.1
6333	Denis Robert	Monthly Report-February, 1999	1,271.9
6334	Stan Siemens	Monthly Report-December, 1998	900.6
6335	Stan Siemens	Monthly Report-January, 1999	1,152.9
6336	Stan Siemens	Monthly Report-February, 1999	826.3
6337	Art Friesen	L.U.D. Monthly Report-February, 1999	250.0
6338	Greg Friesen	L.U.D. Monthly Report-February, 1999	200.0
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