

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Morris held on Wednesday April 11th, 2007 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Reeve Martens, and Councillors Groening, Neumann, Robert, Siemens and Wiens were present with Reeve Martens in the Chair.

073/07 Lionel Wiens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the Agenda be adopted as presented and may be amended.

Carried

074/07 Ralph Groening – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the minutes of the March 19th, 2007 meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

075/07 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve the accounts as presented from cheque number's 20070319 to 20070408 totalling \$ 106,119.98

Carried

Mrs. Lyne Blatta attended the meeting at 10:30 a.m. She discussed her proposed subdivision with council and the advantages of four lots verses 3 lots. Mrs. Blatta will contact the planning branch in Morden and see how strongly they would object to having four lots.

Peter Funk attended the meeting at 1:00 p.m. He advised council that he is representing the aerial applicators. They had not been concerned when they thought it was just a few wind mills. Now they find out that there will be wind mills all over, and they were wondering why these wind mills were being put on good farm land. He advised that there is lots of waste land available that could accommodate wind mills. He also advised council that wind mills could become property tax exempt and the R.M. of Morris would have given up this valuable farm land for no benefit. Mr. Funk was further concerned that the wind towers would cause constant flickering which could result in vertigo. Mr. Funk is also concerned about ice coming off the propellers. Mr. Funk is also concerned that the cost of wind power is 10 times as high as electric hydro. Mr. Funk agreed to provide confirmation of information to council including proof that applicators are required to stay 2000 feet away from towers, Manitoba Hydro can produce power 10 times cheaper than wind turbines, the wind turbine group are lobbying for zero municipal taxes, and that Hydro is forced to buy power from anyone who puts up the wind turbine.

Council decided that they would schedule a trip to St-Leon to check the wind farm and see what the benefits and the disadvantages were.

Councillor Kornelsen attended the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

The CAO was asked to phone Mr. Jim Hunt regarding assessments on wind towers.

Council pointed out that the resolution for appointments should include Councillor Groening as the representative for the Morris Chamber of Commerce and for the Rosenort Chamber of Commerce if available.

076/07 Ralph Groening – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris approve conditional use # 2/2007 to allow an addition to the church on Lot 3 Plan 16461.

Carried

Mr. Don Harder attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He presented council with his report for the previous month.

077/07 Lionel Wiens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris accept the chemical tender from Lowe Farm Co-op this being the lowest tender received, because the RM is not allowed to use Banvel.

Carried

078/07 Sieg Neumann – Ralph Groening

Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the culvert tender from Westman Culvert, this being the lowest tender received.

Carried

079/07 Lionel Wiens – Sieg Neumann

Resolved that the RM of Morris accept the fuel tender from Lowe Farm Co-op in the amount of 68.1 cents per litre this being the lowest tender received.

Carried

Council agreed that they will pay the cost of parts only for the directional drilling machine repair.

080/07 Ralph Groening – Leo Kornelsen

Resolved that the RM of Morris donate \$100.00 to the Valley Regional Library.

Carried

081/07 Denis Robert – Lionel Wiens

Resolved that the R.M. of Morris purchase a 1995 trailer for storage for \$5,000 from Trappers.

Carried

Council decided that the dog catcher would report to the protection committee.

There was some discussion concerning persons who have flood water problems that had chosen not to flood proof their property after the 1997 flood. Council is not very sympathetic to these individuals

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
6A) Tax Payer	Water Hook Up	Noted & Filed
6B) Tax Payer	Straw Exemption	Sec to Write
6C) CAO	Geo Thermal Heating	Noted & Filed
6D) AMM	Honoring Municipal Officials	Sec to Write
6E) First Morris Scouts	Donations	Noted & Filed

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
7A) Minister of Intergov.	2007 Grant	Noted & Filed
7B) Minister of Intergov.	VLT	Noted & Filed
7C) MB Education	2007 Assessment	Noted & Filed
7D) RRVSD	Tax Requirements	Noted & Filed
7E) Prairie Rose School	Tax Requirements	Noted & Filed
7F) MB Water Steward.	License	Noted & Filed
7G) L.F. Credit Union	Rosenort Financial Statements	Noted & Filed
7H) MB Highways	Speed Limit Change	Noted & Filed
7I) AMM	Clean Environment	Noted & Filed
7J) Sperling Fire Dept.	Report	Noted & Filed
7K) MB Intergov.	Gas Tax Reporting System.	Noted & Filed
7L) Water Steward.	Regional Drinking Water	Noted & Filed

Information continued.

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
7M) MB Intergov.	Proposed Sub. Div. N ½ 33-6-2W	Noted & Filed
7N) MB Intergov.	Proposed Sub. Div. S ½ 9-4-1W	Noted & Filed
7O) Barnes & Duncan	Restoration ¼ E 1-4-1W	Noted & Filed
7P) BDO	Federal Budget Report	Noted & Filed
7Q) RBC	Bulletin	Noted & Filed
7R) Q Collaborations	2006 Flood Event	Noted & Filed
7S) Youth Camps	Application	Noted & Filed
7T) EMO	Disaster Financial Assist.	Noted & Filed
7U) MB Infrast. & Hwy	Proposed Access Driveway	Noted & Filed
7V) Manitoba	News Release	Noted & Filed
7W) House of Commons	Budget	Noted & Filed
7X) FCM	Members' Advisory	Noted & Filed
7Y) MB Agriculture	Red River Go Team (booklet)	Noted & Filed
7Z) LSSG	Weed Control	Noted & Filed
7AA) MB Hydro	Newsletter	Noted & Filed

NEW CORRESPONDENCE

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
8A) 2 Tenders	Fuel Tender	See resolution
8B) Valley Regional Library	Lunch	Noted & Filed
8C) MB Intergov. Affairs	Proposed Subdivision	Referred To Next Meeting
8D) MB Intergov. Affairs	Municipal Assessment	Noted & Filed
8C) Rosenort Housing Grp.	Minutes	Noted & Filed

Council decided to meet again on Friday April 13th, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. to review tenders for the new proposed Public Works building.

There being no further business the meeting was then adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

 Chair

 CAO