

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF MARCH 2020
IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Reeve Martin Bettker
Present were: Administrator G. Craig Baird and the following members:

Division No. 1 – Graham White Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel
Division No. 3 – Kevin Kirk
Division No. 5 - Paul Martens

Foreman: Darryl Klassen

Absent: Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline
Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan

61/20 Agenda **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the March 5, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**62/20 Minutes
February
Meeting** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of held on February 6, 2020 be adopted as presented;

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the public hearing held February 6th, 2020 at 10:30 AM at the RM office be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**63/20 Finance
Activities** **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Finance Activities for the month of February 2020 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for February 2020 be also accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**64/20 Accounts
for
Payment** **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the list of accounts for payment and they be attached and form part of these minutes.

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Interview – Lynette Zacharius/Holly Klassen – Farm in the Dell

- Potentially buying house in Town of Aberdeen
- Would be open to operating transfer station in the future
- Looking for some volunteer opportunities for 2020
- Restoring and painting antique grader
- Mowing at cemeteries
 - RM would be interested in Farm in the Dell completing mowing of the cemeteries
 - There is lots of trimming involved which may be an issue

Committee Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Cherry Hills – Rezoning
- Community Planning – Online Module Completed
- NCTPC Workshop Summary
- Town/RM Joint Meeting Summary
- Paperless Meetings – Look into inexpensive laptops
- Need to establish 5/10 Strategic Plan
- Haul Permits on Old 27 – should not be issued unless haul is going to somewhere on Old 27

Councilor Graham White Division #1

- Stantec Phase II Highway No. 5 Improvements
 - Turning Lanes on Hryciw Road
 - St. Denis Access
 - Phase III timeline
- Snow Removal Time - Drifting
- Pretty happy with roads, need to get to snow quicker
- Water Issue at Blucher Fire Hall
 - May Require Indoor Cistern Installation
- Ambulance at Blucher Fire Hall may need some repairs

Councilor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Fire Joint Training with Blucher Fire Department
 - Not much reply from Blucher
- Sanding in subdivisions
 - What are we doing with the sander?
 - Issue with size of sander
- Response time to snow in subdivisions, needs to be quicker

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Councilor Kevin Kirk Division #3

- Dennis Thiessen – Health and Safety Network Scholarship at SARM
- Roads are looking good
- Brownwyne Erye will be attending ratepayers supper

Councilor Paul Martens Division #5

- The roadcrew did a great job with the ice recently
- NCTPC workshop was good and informative
- Brian Jones – Possible Rental Agreement
- Firehall Training – Joint Training with Blucher

12:04 p.m. Council recessed for lunch

1:10 p.m. Council resumed the meeting.

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| 65/20 Highway
No. 5
Phase II | WHITE: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 accept the Phase II road improvement plan for Highway No. 5 as provided by Stantec.

Carried Unanimously |
| 66/20 1st Reading
Bylaw No.
2020-03 | WHITE: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2020-03 being a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 to Establish Mill Rate Factors be read a first time.

Carried Unanimously |
| 67/20 2nd Reading
Bylaw No.
2020-03 | SCHAFFEL: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2020-03 being a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 to Establish Mill Rate Factors be read a second time.

Carried Unanimously |
| 68/20 Permission
To Give
Three
Readings | WHITE: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2020-03 be given a third reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously |
| 69/20 3rd Reading
Bylaw No.
2020-03 | KIRK: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2020-03 being a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 to Establish Mill Rate Factors be read a third time and be adopted.

Carried Unanimously |

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- 70/20 2020 Mill Rate** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the 2020 Municipal Mill Rate be set at 5.1 for all taxable assessment in the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373.
- Carried Unanimously
- 71/20 2019 Audited Financial Statements** **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 Financial Statement and supporting Schedules with the Independent Auditor's Report be accepted as presented;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council acknowledges the reading and acceptance of the management letter from Grant Thornton LLP.
- Carried Unanimously
- 72/20 2019 Citizen of the Year** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that Cameron Wutzke be declared the 2019 Citizen of the Year.
- Carried Unanimously
- 73/20 Permit Extension 2019-02** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 approve Chris Dagenais building permit extension for six months from March 5, 2020 – Permit # 2019-02.
- Carried Unanimously
- 74/20 Budget 2020** **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 Municipal Budget be approved for 2020 and that a copy of it be attached and form part of these minutes.
- Carried Unanimously
- Councilor White left the meeting at 2:30 PM**
- 75/20 Policy Manual** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrator complete a draft policy manual for the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 and upon completion distribute it to Council for review and recommendation.
- Carried Unanimously

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- 76/20 Tax Enforcement Proceeding** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 authorize the administrator to instruct our solicitor Kim Anderson to apply for title to the Blk/Par 58 – Plan 102124280 Extension 0 under the Tax Enforcement Act;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lands value be set at \$304,100 as determined by SAMA.
- Carried Unanimously
- 77/20 Cherry Hills Solicitor Response** **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 authorize the Administrator to instruct our solicitor Kim Anderson to proceed with a response to the letter dated February 5, 2020 from McDougall Gauley LLP the solicitor for Cherry Hills Developments.
- Carried Unanimously
- 78/20 Prochera Servicing Agreement** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to sign and execute the servicing agreement with Shirley Prochera for the subdivision of Parcel B on the land described as a portion of LSD 9, 10 and 16 Sec. 34 Twp. 37 Rge. 03 W3M.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon payment of the required fees as prescribed by the executed servicing agreement, the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 will submit the finalized servicing agreement to the Community Planning Branch of Government Relations.
- Carried Unanimously
- 79/20 Schulte Workshop** **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 approve the Foreman Darryl Klassen and the mower crew of Max Nygard and Garrett Beaulieu attending the Schulte Product service/Maintenance Spring Workshop on May 22, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Farm World in Humboldt, Saskatchewan.
- Carried Unanimously
- 80/20 Administrator Six Month Review** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Employee Committee meet with the Administrator to do a six month performance review before the May 2020 regular meeting of Council.
- Carried Unanimously

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81/20 Bylaw 2019-07 KIRK: BE IT RESOLVED that 2nd and 3rd reading on Bylaw 2019-07 be tabled until the April 2020 regular meeting of Council.

Carried Unanimously

82/20 Farm in The Dell Flowers 2020 **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that Farm in the Dell's flower planter program be put in place for 2020 for a total amount of \$416.25.

Carried Unanimously

83/20 Corr. **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence, as presented to council be filed;

- SARM
 - a. Policy Bulletins
 - b. CN Shutdown – News Release
 - c. Wood Invitation – SARM
 - d. Potash Tax Sharing Board – Financial Statements
 - e. Excess Liability Certificate
 - f. SARM Elections
 - g. Electronic Fraud
 - h. Monies and Security Coverage
 - i. SARM Executive Letter – Trip to Ottawa
 - j. Grey Cup Festival
- Saskatchewan Workers Compensation – Change in Legislation
- Legion – Certificate of Appreciation
- Clark's Supply and Service Ltd.
- Municipalities Today
- Sagehill – Workshop Invite
- SSRWS – Request for Support
- NCTPC Executive Meeting Minutes
- Municipal Potash Tax Sharing – Meeting March 9th
- Prairie Spirit School – Request for Donation
- Farm in the Dell – Flower Planters 2020
- Sask Invasive Species Council – Workshop March 24th, 2020
- SMHI – Monthly Remittances
- SREDA Regional Committee Agenda
- STARS – Open House
- Agrivita – National Summit June 8-9, 2020


84/20 NCTPC Membership **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 maintain membership from April 1, 2020 to March 31st, 2021 in the North Central Transportation Planning Committee for a fee of \$600.

Carried Unanimously


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85/20 Adjourn **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Reeve



Administrator