

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020
IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Oath or Affirmation Member of Council Councilors Graham White, Kevin Kirk and Paul Martens and Reeve Martin Bettker did Solemnly Promise and Declare the Oath or Affirmation of a Member of Council.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Reeve Martin Bettker
Present were: Administrator G. Craig Baird and the following members:

Division No. 3 – Kevin Kirk	Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel
Division No. 5 - Paul Martens	Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline
	Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan

Foreman: Daryl Klassen

Absent: Division No. 1 – Graham White

212/20 Agenda **KORPAN:** BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the October 8, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as amended.

Carried Unanimously

Councilor White arrived at the meeting at 8:10 a.m.

Oath or Affirmation Member of Council Councilor Graham White did Solemnly Promise and Declare the Oath or Affirmation of a Member of Council.

213/20 Minutes October Meeting **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on October 8th, 2020 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

214/20 Finance Activities **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Finance Activities for the month of October 2020 be accepted as presented;

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

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**215/20 Accounts
for
Payment**

HAMOLINE: BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the list of accounts for payment and they be attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried Unanimously

Committee Reports Reeve Martin Bettker

- Parks and Recreation Meeting Synopsis
 - Some Town Councilors are questioning reserves
 - RM not wanting to pay Checks N Balances
 - RM needs to consider future funding levels
- Employee Review Synopsis
- Fence at Guardian Groundworks – email from landowner and survey of boundary
- Employee Layoffs – Benefits and Recall
- Wing when snow plowing – could be a challenging winter, blowing snow issues

Councilor Graham White Division #1

- Highway 5
 - Pavement is awful
 - Holes Everywhere, dangerous
 - RM not taking over service road until at least spring 2021
- Blucher/Aberdeen Emergency Services Building
 - Adrien has been attending meetings and providing support
 - Blucher truck has major plumbing issues
 - Meeting with Nutrien Patience Lake to be set up to discuss aide
- Ratepayers continue pushing snow from driveways onto the RM roads
- Dennis Phelan – Has concerns with grading practices and wants to provide input.

Administrator to draft letter to the Minister responsible for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure illustrating the issues with Highway 5 project.

Councilor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Aberdeen Fire Department
 - Still needs cut in concrete
 - Training opportunities
 - Christmas Party – Wait and See
- Aberdeen Recreation Complex
 - Health Region – No answers about capacity
 - Bonnie is getting lots of calls and complaints
- Roads are very good – impressed with snow clearing

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Councilor Kevin Kirk Division #3

- Snow clearing was great
- Remembrance Day Service was impressive
- Grace Wudrich – Thank you for the support

Councilor Real Hamoline Division #4

- Signs coming out of Aberdeen
- Chains for Pay Loader
- Fence at Guardian Ground Works – Looks Good, thank you to staff for building
- Scraper Rental – What was the liability structure if damage occurred?

Administrator advised that the RM completed a rental agreement with the RM of Blucher that outlined the liability structure.

- Newsletter – Why are people not receiving it in the mail anymore?
- Pinnacle Ridge – Anything new?

Administrator advised that the RM has not received any new correspondence from the developer.

- Delbert Kirsch went and looked at the Middleton Park Land

Councilor Paul Martens Division #5

- Outside crew effort was great
- Back roads – Good comments on road by Bernie Hamoline
- Bernie Hamoline driveway mowing was not good
- Pasture access wasn't mowed
- Mowing at Section 14-40-03-W3M – Should be done annually
- Ogelfeld Road - Slough wasn't mowed, should have been dry enough
- Sprayer being built in the winter
- Tim Nichols – Bin on Road
- Aaron Guenther – Top Soil

Councilor Jim Korpan Division #6

- Crew did a great job on snow clearing
- Employee Committee Meeting
- Snow Ridging in Fields – will be needed
- Aaron Guenther – Top soil from road allowance
- Don Kozak – Lanicwi Road – culvert in the creek

Administrator to provide a letter to Mr. Kozak about the roadway and culvert through Fish Creek.

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Road Foreman Report

- Employees
 - Employee Reviews
 - Employee Wages
- Equipment Report – Repairs
 - Winter Priorities
 - Sander Fabrication
 - Lockers – Fire Department
- Roadwork & Maintenance
 - Snow Clearing During Winter
- Gravel Extraction Tender
- Foreman Truck Tender

RM to order metal for the fire department to build some additional lockers for the fire hall.

**215/20 Gravel
Excavation
Tender** **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 request tenders for the excavation and stockpiling of aggregate material from SE 18-37-03-W3M during the 2020/2021 winter season, to be used as part of a future gravel crushing;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the tenders be due by December 31, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

**216/20 Gravel
Crushing
Tender** **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 request tenders for the crushing of aggregate material from SE 18-37-03-W3M specifically road base gravel during the late winter/ early spring 2021;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the tenders be due by December 31, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

**217/20 Road
Tours** **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 Councilors complete individual division road tours with the RM Foreman and Administrator during each spring after snow melt.

Unanimously Carried

*M.B.
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218/20 Foreman Truck **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 purchase a 2021 Ford F-150 for a price of 38,593 plus applicable taxes, to be used as the RM Foreman's truck.

	<u>Recorded Vote</u>
Reeve	For
Councilor Division #1	For
Councilor Division #2	For
Councilor Division #3	For
Councilor Division #4	Against
Councilor Division #5	For
Councilor Division #6	For

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am for the Public Hearing of the Discretionary use application of the Saskatoon Wildlife Federation.

The Regular Meeting of Council resumed at 10:35 am

Interview

10:35 AM – SaskPower – Erin Lord

- SaskPower is completing very preliminary research on locations for Natural Gas Power Generation Sites
- Coal generation to stop by 2029
- SaskPower will be modernizing power grid
- Evaluating sites that can accommodate 50-700 MW power generation
- Area around Aberdeen switching station is one of three options in Southern Saskatchewan
- Either a combined cycle or simple cycle system would be proposed
- No decisions on location will be made until 2022

Councilor Hamoline asked whether power generation would lead to additional Transgas capacity around the Town of Aberdeen. Saskpower advised that it is very possible that expansion of natural gas capacity would occur should the Aberdeen site be chosen.

Council advised Ms. Lord that should additional questions need to be addressed to contact the Administrator.

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Planning and Development

- Shawn Graham/Graham Acres – SW ¼ Section 7-40-02-W3M
- Sasktel Tower Application – Update

Sasktel and Scott Land and Lease made a formal request for Council to reconsider their denial of the Sasktel Tower application. Council advised the Administrator that Resolution No. 179/20 is still valid and the application still be denied.

- Zyus Life Sciences

Administrator advised of the current state of the proposed development

Council adjourned for lunch at 12:05 pm

Council returned from lunch at 12:45 pm

Administrator's Report

- Office Employee Evaluations
- Office Employee Salary – 2021

Council will discuss and set 2021 salaries in December

- Assistant Administrator Job Advertisement – One Year Term

Administrator suggested using the Municipal Administrator Internship Program for the maternity leave replacement for one year.

- Waldner Approach

Letter to be provided to the Waldners with regard to snow clearing and maintenance of access to their property. Any further work will be charged out as custom work.

- Division Road Tours - Spring
- Multi-Lot Residential Policy
- Grader Tenders – Open and Review
- Foreman Truck Quotes – Review
- Waste Transfer Station Tender – Open and Review
- Firehall/Town Generator

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Foreman Klassen was excused from the meeting for the rest of the day.

219/20 MAIP Program Participation **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 apply to become a host municipality for the 52-week Rural Municipal Administrator Internship Program through the RMAA and SARM; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 cost-share the intern's salary, provide a work space, and training opportunities to attend training seminars throughout the 52-week program.

Carried Unanimously

220/20 Waste Transfer Station Bins **KORPAN:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 contract Waste Management for the garbage bins and recycling bins at the RM waste transfers station, the contract shall be for a one-year term.

Carried Unanimously

Councilor Schaffel left the meeting at 2:50 PM

Councilor White declared a conflict of interest as a result of being a member of the Saskatoon Wildlife Federation and left Council Chambers.

221/20 Sask Wildlife Federation **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 6 of Bylaw 2007-05 known as the Zoning Bylaw the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 approve the discretionary use permit for the Saskatoon Wildlife Federation gun range subject to the following conditions:

- Hours of Operation being 9 am to 9 pm Monday through Saturday, and 10 am to 6 pm on Sunday

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the permit does not have a time limit for expiration.

Carried Unanimously

The Administrator is to contact the Saskatoon Wildlife Federation and the Saskatoon Gun Club about having matching hours of operation and the installation of a tree shelter belt to help with sound attenuation.

Councilor White returned to the meeting

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Grader Tenders

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Trade -in – Volvo G970</u>	<u>Trade-in Cat 140M</u>
SMS	Komatsu GD655-7	\$334,500	\$70,000	\$115,000
	Komatsu GD655-6 (300 Hrs)	\$281,937	\$70,000	\$115,000
	Komatsu GD655-6 (700 Hrs)	\$273,937	\$70,000	\$115,000
Redhead	Case 885B AWD - 2018	\$312,000	\$80,000	\$92,500
Finning	Cat 150 AWD	\$360,760	\$75,000	\$100,000
	Cat 150 Tandem	\$327,150	\$75,000	N/A
	Cat 140 AWD	\$337,520	N/A	\$100,000
Brandt	JD 770	\$355,000	\$70,000	\$105,000
	JD 772	\$390,000	\$70,000	\$105,000
	JD 870	\$370,000	\$70,000	\$105,000

**222/20 Grader
Purchase**

MARTENS: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 purchase a Komatsu GD655-6 grader from SMS Equipment for:

Purchase Price	\$281,937.50
Less: Trade	<u>\$70,000</u> – 2012 Volvo G970
Total	\$211,937.50 plus applicable taxes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 utilize the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program allocation towards the purchase of the grader; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purchase of the grader be dated for January 1, 2021.

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223/20 Tax Title Abatement **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 authorize the Administrator to abate \$2,876.88 of municipal taxes on Roll Number 393100 – SE ¼ Section 26-37-02-W3M Ext. 14 as a result of the sale of the tax title property not offsetting the outstanding taxes.

Carried Unanimously

224/20 Corr. **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence, as presented to council be filed;


- Potash Tax Sharing Distribution
- Shelter Belt Program
- Ministry of Highways – Highway 5 Update
- CN – Snow Clearing
- SREDA – Q3 Economic Snapshot
- Sask Waste Reduction Council
- Sagehill – Innovation through Covid-19
- Western Asphalt Products
- Prairie Rivers Reconciliation Committee
- SARM

a. Provincial Election Reaction

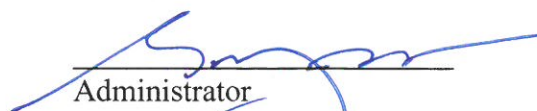
Carried Unanimously

225/20 Adjourn **HAMOLINE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Reeve



Administrator