

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373
FIRST MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021
IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:03 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. 4 – Real Hamoline
Division No. 5 - Paul Martens Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan

Foreman: Darryl Klassen arrived at 8:09 a.m.

Conflict of Interest

- Councilor Hamoline noted a Conflict of Interest with Item 9 on the agenda
- Councilor White noted a Conflict of Interest with the discussion about Servicing Agreements within the Administrators Report.

Meeting was streamed live on the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 Facebook page.

32/21 Agenda **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the February 11, 2021
Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

33/21 Minutes Regular Meeting **KORPAN:** BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of
council held on January 14th, 2021 be adopted as presented;

Carried Unanimously

34/21 Accounts for Payment **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the list of accounts for
payment and they be attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried Unanimously

35/21 Finance Activities **HAMOLINE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Finance Activities for
the month of January 2021 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for January 2021
be also accepted as presented.

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Councilor Schaffel left the meeting at 8:55 am

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Committee Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Phone Meeting with Bronwyn Eyre
 - Sasktel Tower Application – may be too late
 - Aberdeen Recreation Complex – Covid-19 Impact
 - Ministry of Highways and Gravel Exploration
 - Meeting with Minister of Highways may be prudent
- Parks and Recreation
 - 2021 Budget
 - Financial Statement Presentation
- Concerned about calling in outside staff during very cold weather – need to watch hours in case we need them later
- Snow Plowing – there are some problem areas – may need to be pushed further out
- Committee meeting discussion should remain confidential until they can be discussed and voted on at regular meetings of Council

Councilor Graham White Division #1

- Some areas that we need to push snow back
- Blucher Aberdeen Emergency Services Meeting
 - Attendance of department has been really good
 - Mike and Joan Steckham are helping out
 - The heating system in the building is struggling with the cold temperatures, going to look into options
 - Adrien has been helping a great deal
 - Budget – Water Tanker
- Highway 5 Stakeholder Open House
 - Tender for Phase II is open – Highway 2 to St. Denis
 - Twinning Portion from Saskatoon – North Side – 105 metre footprint – Some areas will be very tight
- Drews Pit – Gravel Crush Meeting
 - Could be a difficult project
 - Need to make sure contractor and RM are communicating throughout the process
- Wheatland Library AGM
 - 5 People attended
 - A few members of the board resigned

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Councilor Kevin Kirk Division #3

- Stop sign by Ken Wiebe's in knocked down – Highway 41 and Old Trail Rd.
- Can we clean out the snow by the cemetery?
- Quite a few areas with tress that are causing snow build up – maybe mulch this year?
- Went with Administrator to look at snow issues on Old Trail Road and private driveway off Wruck Road
 - Issues with fence on Old Trail Road
- Generator for Firehall
 - Cameron said it should work, but would need to be in small building outside.
- Community Pasture
 - Discussed qualification structure with committee
 - New Bylaws being drafted
- Sasktel Tower Application – moving forward, not much the RM can do

Councilor Real Hamoline Division #4

- Snow is building up in small sheltered areas
- Ratepayer complaint about Don Nykiforuk's dust control – could we use the sander?
- First Responders Jackets – suppliers are having issues with stock
- Bergheim Estates Fence – some spots look poor, should be looked at in spring
- Aberdeen Recreation Complex
 - Meeting with Affinity potentially next week
- Roads are pretty good all things considered – very cold

Councilor Paul Martens Division #5

- Roads are as good as can be expected
- Ridging on Friesen Interstate - will contact land owners
- Ridging on Clarkboro Grid

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Councilor Jim Korpan Division #6

- Very happy with how the snow clearing has been going
- A thanks to Darryl and Max for coming in on the weekend to clear snow
- Some snow getting built up by the Lanicwi Church
- Seasonal Employee Hiring
- Fish Creek Road clean up – Icy spots
- Civic Address – some issues with directions
- Some issues with website viewing on Apple mobile devices
- Culvert on Highway 41 – Letter to Highways

Councilor Schaffel returned to the meeting at 9:40 am

Councilor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Road are in decent shape – quick responses to drifts
- Aberdeen Fire Department
 - Getting quotes on side by side upgrades
 - Donated to Sopatyk
 - Raffle is going very well
 - Capital Budgeting
- Aberdeen Recreation Complex
 - Meeting with bank will happen on site

Road Foreman Report

- Employees
 - Foreman Employment Contract

Administrator to draft an employee contract for Darryl Klassen that outlines roles, responsibility and compensation structure.

- Summer Hiring

The RM will need to hire an operator, a gravel truck driver and a mower operator – ads should be completed soon.

- Equipment Report
 - Scraper Purchase Update

The Administrator is still monitoring upcoming sales, likely will be more options coming up for auction in the spring.

- 2021 Equipment Purchases
 - Schulte Rock Windrower

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Schulte Rock Windrower could be utilized in the spring to help rehabilitate the shoulders and help with breaking up sod lumps when reclaiming. Has been included in the 2021 draft budget and 5 year capital plan.

- Roadwork & Maintenance

Councilor Hamoline declared a pecuniary interest as a result of having a land rental agreement with the owner of Section 7-40-02-W3M. Councilor Hamoline left Council chambers.

The regular meeting of Council was adjourned to hold a public hearing at 10:00 am.

The regular meeting of Council resumed at 10:16 am.

36/21 Graham Acres Subdivision **KORPAN:** BE IT RESOLVED that the subdivision request submitted by Graham Acres, Shawn Graham and Cheryl Ford to subdivide 10 acres from the SW ¼ Section 7-40-02-W3rd and NW ¼ Section 6-40-02-W3M be approved pursuant to Section 6.3.2(1) of Bylaw 2007-05 known as the Zoning Bylaw and Section 5.3(8) of the Bylaw 2007-04 known as the Basic Planning Statement (Official Community Plan) subject to the approval of the Ministry of Government Relations-Community Planning Branch;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the subdivision shall be subject to the execution of a Servicing Agreement and payment of required fees and any future approach be the sole responsibility of the land owner.

Carried Unanimously

Councilor Hamoline returned to the meeting as a member of Council.

37/21 Schulte SRW-1000 **KIRK:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 purchase a Schulte SRW-1000 Rock Windrower from Farm World in Humboldt for a purchase price of \$14,800 plus applicable taxes.

Carried Unanimously

38/21 Seasonal Employee Hiring **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 advertise for the following positions for the 2021 summer season:

- **Grader Operator**

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- **1A Truck Driver**
- **Mower Operator**

Carried Unanimously

Administrator's Report

- Gravel Extraction Update
 - *The contractor is going to complete some preliminary excavation work to determine the best and most cost-effective areas to strip for further extraction. The contractor is looking at stripping/stockpiling in late February.*
- Audit
 - Synopsis
 - Schedule 10 - 2020
 - Recommendations
 - *Amortization of Tangible Capital Assets*
 - *Cash and Accrual Budget*
 - *Municipal Economic Enhancement Program Grant – Presentation in Financial Statement – Conditional Grant*
 - *Capitalization of road construction completed by the RM*
 - *Capitalization of Gravel stockpiles.*
- Ike Thiessen Tender – Wood – Engineering Services
- Bylaw 2021-01 – Records Retention Update
- Ministry of Highways – Request to test for aggregate in pasture
- Ministry of Government Relations – Response from the Minister
- Office Hours - 2021
- Dust Control – Costs
- Budget 2021 – Cash Budget and Accrual Budget

39/21 Dust Control

SCHAFFEL: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 instruct the Administrator to send out a letter to rate payers stating the cost to apply calcium chloride for dust proofing gravel roads in the RM.

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- 40/21 Highway No. 41 Culvert** **KORPAN:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 in conjunction with the RM of Corman Park No. 344 contact the Ministry of Highways to request the removal of the cattle culvert located at NW ¼ Section 24-37-04-W3M, as the heave is a major road hazard.

Unanimously Carried

Councilor White declared a conflict of interest as a result of being one of the affected ratepayers with an existing servicing agreement with the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 and left Council chambers.

- Old Servicing Agreements

The Administrator advised Council that many of the older executed servicing agreements have inconsistent provisions for infrastructure fees. Some of the agreements stipulate that infrastructure fees on the remainder of land after subdivision is subject to the payment of infrastructure fees after 10 years. Some of the agreements state that the requirement for infrastructure fees on the remainder of land after subdivision is not subject to the fees if no development has occurred within 10 years. The Administrator stated that the inconsistency is unfair and should be resolved.

Council instructed the Administrator to complete a formal list of all servicing agreements with the punitive provisions to be considered at the March meeting of Council.

Councilor White returned to the meeting.

- RM of Corman Park Request – Bettker Road SB 90 Surfacing
 - *RM Council tabled a decision until the March meeting to allow the Administrator opportunity to attain and distribute information about the maintenance and life expectancy of SB-90.*
- Firehall Maintenance/Budget
- Saskatoon Shotgun Club – Hours of Operation
- Highway 41 Water Utility – Manhattan Acquisition
- Potash Tax Sharing Regulation Changes
- SARM - High Interest Savings Account
- Rural Integrated Roads for Growth – Finalized Agreement
- Insurance Council of Saskatchewan Exam- Results
- Aberdeen Recreation Complex
- Waldner Approach and Access

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**41/21 SARM
Voting
Delegates**

MARTENS: BE IT RESOLVED that Mark Schaffel and Kevin Kirk be appointed the voting delegates for the 2021 SARM Virtual Convention.

Unanimously Carried

**42/21 Ministry
of Highways
Gravel
Testing**

WHITE: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 authorize the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure to test for aggregate with the community pasture.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all testing shall occur when cattle are removed from the pasture or the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure shall provide the RM with 15 days notice of when testing will occur.

Unanimously Carried

**43/21 Office
Hours**

WHITE: BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 set the office hours as follows; Open Monday to Friday: 8:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m./Office will be closed on Statutory Holidays.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. the employees will be allowed to take a ½ hour unpaid lunch break;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that council meeting lunches that run over the half hour time will be an exception to the rule.

Unanimously Carried

**44/21 Equipment
Inspections**

KIRK: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM use Doc's Truck & Ag Repair for equipment safety inspections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RM purchase tires for equipment and truck from SARM supply members in Saskatoon or Surrounding area.

Unanimously Carried

45/21 In Camera

HAMOLINE: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 go In Camera at 1:35 pm per section 120(2)(a) of The Municipalities Act and 17(1)(g) of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

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- 46/21 Out of Camera** **WHITE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 move out of camera and reconvene the regular meeting of Council at 2:20 pm.
Unanimously Carried
- 47/21 In Camera** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 go In Camera at 2:21 pm per section 120(2)(a) of The Municipalities Act and 14(1)(d) of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
Unanimously Carried
- 48/21 Out of Camera** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 move out of camera and reconvene the regular meeting of Council at 3:07 pm.
Unanimously Carried
- 49/21 Noise Bylaw Amendment** **SCHAFFEL:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 Council instruct the Administrator to draft amendments to Bylaw 2002-06 known as the Noise Bylaw, to add regulation and restrictions to the operating hours of rifle and gun ranges.
Unanimously Carried

WHEREAS Manhattan West Waterline Inc. (“**MWWI**”) a non-profit entity, incorporated under *The Non-Profit Corporations Act, 1995* (Saskatchewan)

AND WHEREAS Highway 41 Water Utility (“**H41WU**”) is a public utility board established and continued by by-laws of the Rural Municipality, The Rural Municipality of Grant, No. 372, and The Rural Municipality of Blucher, No. 343 under *The Municipalities Act*;

AND WHEREAS MWWI and H41WU contemplate entering into an agreement of purchase and sale (the “**Agreement**”), a draft of which was presented to the council of the Rural Municipality, whereby H41WU shall purchase from MWWI and MWWI shall sell to H41WU the assets of MWWI (the “**Assets**”) on the terms and conditions set out in the Agreement;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, MWWI and H41WU will be required to execute and deliver certain ancillary agreements, documents, deeds and instruments in connection with the purchase and sale of the Assets (the “**Related Agreements**”);

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50/21 H41WU
Manhattan

KIRK: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The purchase by H41WU and the sale by MWWI of the Assets pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and the performance by H41WU and MWWI of their respective obligations under the Agreement are hereby approved;
2. The execution and delivery by H41WU and MWWI of the Agreement, the Related Agreements and all other agreements, documents, deeds and instruments that are necessary to complete the purchase and sale transaction contemplated in the Agreement and the performance by H41WU and MWWI of their respective obligations thereunder are hereby approved;
3. Any two officers (the “**Officers**”) of H41WU and of MWWI, respectively, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of H41WU and of MWWI, as applicable, to execute and deliver the Agreement substantially in the form of the draft presented to the Council of the Rural Municipality, subject to such amendments to or variations from such draft Agreement as may be approved by such Officers, whose execution in its final form shall be conclusive evidence of such approval;
4. The Officers of H41WU and MWWI, as applicable, are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of H41WU and MWWI, as applicable, to execute and deliver (whether under seal of H41WU and MWWI, as applicable or otherwise), the Related Documents;
5. All agreements, documents, deeds instruments, writings, acts or proceedings connected with or pertaining to the purchase and sale transaction contemplated by the Agreement which may heretofore have been executed, made, done or performed by H41WU or MWWI, as the case may be, are hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed; and
6. The Officers of H41WU and MWWI, as applicable, are hereby authorized to do such further acts and things and to execute and deliver such other agreements, documents, deeds and instruments as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the purchase and sale transaction contemplated by the Agreement in order to give effect to the foregoing provisions of this resolution.

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- 51/21 H41WU** **HAMOLINE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 authorize the Reeve and Administrator to sign the amended and restated Public Utility Servicing and Collection Agreement between the RM of Corman Park No. 344, RM of Grant No. 372 and the Highway 41 Water Utility.

Carried Unanimously

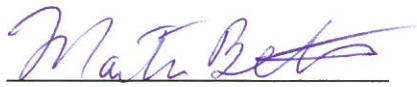
- 52/21 Corr.** **MARTENS:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence, as presented to council be filed;

- SMHI – Southeast College
- Ministry of Highways
 - a. Spring Road Restrictions
 - b. Highway 5 – Segment 2A Update
- South Saskatchewan River Watershed
 - a. Proposed Membership 2021
- SARM
 - a. Rural Broadband
 - b. Excess Liability Certificate
 - c. Keystone XL Pipeline Release
 - d. Choice Survey Instruments Brochures
- SAMA
 - a. Annual Meeting
- Bandit Energy Pricing and Services
- Resterra – Road Reclamation Prices

Carried Unanimously

- 53/21 Adjourn** **HAMOLINE:** BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Reeve



Administrator