

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023 IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 101 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 a.m. by Reeve Martin Bettker
Present were: Administrator Bridgette Shwytky and the following members:

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

Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel
Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline
Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan

Foreman: Interim Foreman Garrett Beaulieu 8:30am

Conflict of Interest: None Declared

59/23 Agenda

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the March 10th, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as amended,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that item “15.10 Hutterite Colony Ridging/Water Issues” be added to the agenda.

Carried Unanimously

60/23 Minutes Regular

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on February 9th, 2023 and the minutes of the special meeting of council held on February 15th, 2023 be adopted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the notes of the Safety Meeting held on March 6th, 2023, be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

61/23 Finance Activities

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Finance Activities for the month of February 2023 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for February 2023 also be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

62/23 Payroll Summary

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the Payroll Summary for the month of February, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

63/23 Mastercard Purchases

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM Mastercard purchases from the Foreman and Administrator for the month of February, 2023 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

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64/23 Accounts for Payment **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the list of accounts for payment and they be attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried Unanimously

Interim Foreman Beaulieu arrived at the meeting at 8:30 am

65/23 Foreman Report **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Foreman's report as submitted by Interim Foreman Garrett Beaulieu be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Council Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Should get prices for proper plow
- Groups requesting funds-direct to Parks & Rec
- Water Utility needs pump upgrades- May be worth installing storage tank at Bergheim Pump house
- Remove spray painted signs right away.

Councilor Graham White Division #1

- Roads good shape
- Blucher/Aberdeen- had 4 meetings to discuss budget. Fire Dept-Found nicer truck down east for approx. \$50,000 less. 1st resp- submitted a very large budget. Will need to scale it back. Speedometer issues- unable to get a new wiring cluster to fix issue.
- NCTCP- really good workshop.
- RM of Rudy- irrigation meeting. Sent letter and sample easement agreement to them for their meeting.

Councilor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Roads are good. Received no complaints
- Should we get a 2nd packer for the grader? Very happy with its performance.
- Should we budget for a new tractor?
- Fire Dept Steak night sold out.

Councilor Kevin Kirk Division #3

- Heard about the RM of Mankota having a grader refurbished. Should look into it.

Councilor Real Hamoline Division #4

- SHA didn't show to meeting to discuss Blucher-Aberdeen First Responders
- Met with seniors club. Difficulties paying their expenses.

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- Not having luck finding a service truck
- Should look at upgrading foreman truck, giving us troubles.

Councilor Paul Martens Division #5

- NCTPC- Lots of info at the workshop
- ADD Board- Doug Toms from Viscount elected Chair. Increased PCO wages to \$28.30/hr and \$0.72/km. Going to have an audit this year.
- Roads are good.

Councilor Jim Korpan Division #6

- Ridging really helped
- Highway 41 North of Aberdeen snow clearing is not great

66/23 Great Plains **White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrator and Reeve be authorized to sign the agreement with Great Plains College

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RM pay the \$10,000 contribution.

Carried Unanimously

Interim Foreman Beaulieu left the meeting at 10:00 am

67/23 Admin Report **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrators report be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

68/23 Janzen Servicing Agreement **Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that council authorizes the Reeve and Administrator to sign and execute the servicing agreement with Lynn & Menno Janzen for the subdivision of Parcel A on the land described as a portion of NW Sec 35 Twp 39 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



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69/23 Sparrow Servicing Agreement **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that council authorizes the Reeve and Administrator to sign and execute the servicing agreement with Ken and Royane Sparrow for the subdivision of Parcel C on the land described as a portion of NW Sec 29 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

70/23 Friske Servicing Agreement **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that council authorizes the Reeve and Administrator to sign and execute the servicing agreement with Kevin and Penny Friske for the subdivision of Parcel D on the land described as a portion of SW Sec 29 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

71/23 Jansen Parcel Tie **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 approves exchanging the parcel tie on Parcel 145681409 from parcel 145681421 to parcel 145467311,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that being the request is for a parcel tie exchange, a servicing agreement with the municipality is not required.

Carried Unanimously

72/23 Land Purchase Kondra **Korpan:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 provide a proposal to purchase land from Gene and Irene Kondra for a price of \$2,370.00 per acre to construct a road to provide access to the Middleton's Camp Historical Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the costs associated with surveying, land transfer, and roadway construction be the responsibility of the RM.

Carried Unanimously

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- 73/23 Ratepayers Supper** **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the ticket price for the Spring Ratepayers Supper Meeting be set at \$25 per ticket.
- Carried Unanimously
- 74/23 Ratepayers Supper** **Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM contract Rose Senger to cater the Spring Ratepayers Supper Meeting at a cost of \$28 per plate plus taxes.
- Carried Unanimously
- 75/23 Citizen of The year** **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that Wendy Campbell be awarded Citizen of the Year for 2022.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they be given two supper tickets to attend the Spring Ratepayers Supper Meeting.
- Carried Unanimously
- 76/23 Flower Proposal** **White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 approves the Farm in the Dell flower planter program for 2023 for a total amount of \$444.00.
- Carried Unanimously
- 77/23 Ag Safety Voting Delegates** **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 appoint Paul Martens be appointed as the RM representative at the Agricultural Health and Safety Network's Annual Meeting on March 15th, 2023.
- Carried Unanimously
- 78/23 Extreme Weather Policy** **Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM approve and adopt the Extreme Weather Policy for the RM of Aberdeen No. 373
- Carried Unanimously.
- 79/23 Recognition Policy** **Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM approve and adopt the Employee and Council Recognition Policy for the RM of Aberdeen No. 373
- Carried Unanimously.

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80/23 Seasonal Employee **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM ratify the hiring of Taylor Klippenstein as a seasonal equipment operator for 2023 subject to a 3-month probationary period starting March 6, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr Klippenstein be hired at a rate of \$28/hr; that he be entitled to enrollment in the Municipal Employees Pension Plan and, upon completion of the 3-month probation, be enrolled in the SARM Health and Dental Insurance Plan.

Carried Unanimously.

81/23 Seasonal Employee **Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM hire Josh Veltkamp as a seasonal equipment operator for 2023 subject to a 3-month probationary period starting April 17th, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr Veltkamp be hired at a rate of \$28/hr; that he be entitled to enrollment in the Municipal Employees Pension Plan and, upon completion of the 3-month probation, be enrolled in the SARM Health and Dental Insurance Plan.

Carried Unanimously.

82/23 In Camera Discussion **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 go In Camera at 1:29 pm per section 120(2)(a) of the Municipalities Act and 23.1 of the Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

83/23 Out of Camera **Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 move out of camera and reconvene the regular meeting of council at 2:15 pm.

Carried Unanimously

84/23 Corr. **White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence, as presented to council be filed.

- Municipal Potash Tax Sharing Administration Board Financial Statements
- Ask A Farmer Podcast
- Chaos Fire Service and Repair
- RM of Rudy Irrigation Meeting Invite
- NCTPC - AGM Invite/ Municipal Support Program
- Stars Open House Invite
- Schuyler New Product Blades
- South Saskatchewan Community Foundation Invite

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- SMHI AGM Invite
- Ag Health and Safety AGM Invite
- SARM – Convention Information/Convention Resolution Committee/Resolutions/Elections Information/Convention Trade Show Information/News Release - Lake Diefenbaker Irrigation Project/News Release – Rural Healthcare/ News Release - Sask Cattle Industry/PA Victoria Hospital Expansion Update Invite/News Release - Attracting next gen to rural government
- WSP Hospitality Invite
- Brandt Tractor Hospitality Invite
- Finning Casino Night Hospitality Invite
- Pam Wintringham - Batoche Sask Party Constituency

Carried Unanimously

85/23 Responder Unit **White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the first responder unit located at the Blucher-Aberdeen building be taken to Market Tire for a speedo cluster repair quote and option to repair.

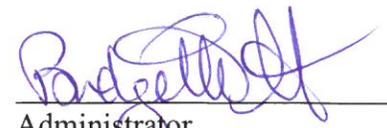
Carried Unanimously.

86/23 Adjourn **Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Reeve



Administrator

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