

A regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Heart’s Hill No. 352 was held in the Municipal Office at 405 Grand Avenue, Luseland, Saskatchewan on Thursday, August 8, 2019.

CALL to ORDER:

Reeve Gordon Stang called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Reeve Gordon Stang and Councillors Keith Rumohr, David Gette, Terrance Kohlman, Blaine Thrun, Jerome Kohlman and Herbert Reichert. Office staff: Administrator, Calvin Giggs and Assistant Administrator, Brenda Gintaut.

184/19-AGENDA:

Moved by Rumohr THAT Council accept the agenda as presented.

Carried.

185/19-MINUTES:

Moved by Gette THAT Council approve the content of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on July 4, 2019.

Carried.

186/19-FORMER OFFICE TENDER:

Moved by T. Kohlman THAT Council acknowledge the Public Notice, dated July 11, 2019, that was given by Administration pursuant to Clause 3.1 b) of Public Notice Bylaw No. 1/06 of the intention of Council to consider the selling by tender of the following Municipal land complete with building (Former Municipal Office): Lot 27, Block 9, Plan 65S26097 (200 Strathcona Street) situated in the Town of Luseland; and further, that the Public Notice be attached to and form a part of these minutes.

Carried.

187/19-DELEGATIONS:

Moved by Gette THAT Council approve the verbal reports from:

- Dan Fisher, Foreman Re: General Roadwork
- Bradford Li Pi Shan, Engineer, Resource Management International Inc. Re: Various Road Projects; and
- Lester Cey, Shercom Industries Inc. Re: Video Presentation on Use of Shredded Rubber.

Carried.

188/19-2019 ASSESSMENT CONFIRMATION:

Moved by Thrun THAT Council acknowledge receipt of the 2019 Certificate of Confirmation of the assessment roll of the municipality from the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) showing the following totals:

Assessed Value	\$364,826,200
Taxable Value	\$274,653,455
Exempt Value	\$ 3,561,940

Carried.

189/19-PFRA LAW SUIT FUNDS:

Moved by J. Kohlman THAT Council approve additional funds in the amount of \$25,000.00, payable to the R. M. of Dundurn No. 314 to be applied towards the PFRA law suit against the Government of Saskatchewan regarding the community pastures.

Carried.

190/19-CO-SPONSOR RESOLUTION TO SARM:

Moved by Reichert THAT Council co-sponsor the following resolution with the R.M. of Eye Hill No. 382 to be submitted to the S.A.R.M. mid-term convention in November, 2019:

“WHEREAS oil and gas storage tanks have historically been treated by assessors as structures which is consistent and equitable with the treatment of storage tanks elsewhere in the province, such as underground tanks at service stations;

WHEREAS industry has appealed the assessment of storage tanks associated with oil and gas sites and facilities arguing that they should be considered resource production equipment (RPE) based on the existing definition of improvements and wording in legislation;

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WHEREAS a decision that oil and gas tanks are RPE would result in the potential removal of all storage tanks at non-well facilities (batteries) and storage tanks at active well sites would qualify for a -10% “downtime” allowance which is an adjustment for routine maintenance that is normally only applied to oil and gas well equipment;

WHEREAS the total potential tank assessment loss would be over \$600 million if oil and gas tanks are deemed RPE instead of structures;

BE IT RESOLVED that SARM lobby the Ministry of Government Relations to amend existing legislation so that storage tanks, regardless of location, are assessed as improvements and not resource production equipment to avoid future misinterpretation of the intent of the legislation.” Carried.

191/19-RM MAPS:

Moved by Rumohr THAT Council authorize Administration to order 150 – 24” x 36” RM maps from MuniSoft, which will update ownership and road information at a quoted price of \$7.50 per map, plus an updating rate of \$80.00 per hour. Carried.

192/19-SASK. FEDERATION OF POLICE OFFICERS:

Moved by Gette THAT Council approve the placement of a 1/8 (B&W) page ad in the 2019 Crime Prevention Guide of the Saskatchewan Federation of Police Officers at a total cost of \$310.00. Carried.

193/19-CONTROL BURN FRIDGE MAGNETS:

Moved by T. Kohlman THAT Council acknowledge and approve the order placed by Administration for 250 Control Burn Fridge Magnets at a total price of \$120.40, which will be used as a stuffer in the 2019 tax notices of the Municipality. Carried.

194/19-RMAA DIVISION MEETING:

Moved by Thrun THAT Council authorize the closure of the Municipal Office for Administration to attend the Administrator’s Division 6 meeting in North Battleford, Sask. on September 12, 2019; and further, that two registration fees be paid in the amount of \$50.00. Carried.

195/19-COMMUNICATIONS:

Moved by J. Kohlman THAT the following items, having been presented, be filed or dealt with as indicated:

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ag Canada	2019 Livestock Tax Deferral Region
Government of Canada/Sask.	Gax Tax Top-Up Funding - \$16,536
Sask. Government Relations	Subdivision Approval– NE 30-35-26W3 (Curtis Reschny)
Sask. Highways & Infrastructure	2019 Traffic Count Program
S.A.R.M.	Weekly Bulletins
S.A.R.M.	Deadline for MidTerm Resolutions – Sept 29/19
SAMA	2019 Assessment Confirmation
R.M. of Dundurn No. 314	Request Additional PFRA Funds - \$25,000
R.M. of Eye Hill No. 382	O/G Storage Tank Resolution to MidTerm
MuniSoft	Quote on RM Maps
SGI	Commerical Auto Pak Renewal
Sask. Federation of Police Officers	Annual Crime Prevention Guide
Live Ink Media & Sigh Shop	Control Burn Magnets (Tax Notice Stuffer)
R.M.A.A.	Division 6 Fall District Mtg – Sep 12/19
Kerrobert & District Ag. Society	Donation Thankyou
Macklin Health Foundation	Donation Thankyou
Brittany Cooper	Interested in Administration
Provincial Pothole & Paving	Taking Bookings Aug/Sep

Other Correspondence to be dealt with as per Agenda

McKercher LLP	Government Cancelled Jul 30/19 Mtg
McKercher LLP	Statement of Accounts – Jun & Jul/19
MaryAnn Bazylnski	Luseland Local Library Report
Bradford Li Pi Shan	Ditch Drainage Profile – NE 27/SE 34-35-28
Cactus Environmental Services Ltd.	Soil Analysis - NE 27/SE 34-35-28

Carried.

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REPORTS:

196/19-REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION and COMMITTEES:

Moved by Reichert THAT Council accept the following written and verbal reports:

“Statement of Financial Activities” for the Month of July: Calvin Giggs

“List of Accounts for Approval” comprising of cheques #6304 to and including #6339, and other payments 19091-M to 257179-M totalling \$159,857.92, together with Paymate: Payroll Summary Report - Payroll 01- totalling - \$30,530.21 and Council 02- totalling-\$4,466.40, as attached for approval: Calvin Giggs

Administrator Notes: Calvin Giggs

Council meeting Table: Brenda Gintaut

PFRA: Keith Rumohr & Brenda Gintaut

Pioneer Haven: Keith Rumohr

KLD Wellness: Keith Rumohr

Villa Marie: Herb Reichert

Luseland Library: MaryAnn Bazylinski (Written Report)

Carried.

REEVE AND COUNCILLORS FORUM:

197/19-ROAD CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT:

Moved by Rumohr THAT Council acknowledge the signing by landowner, Robert Gette Farms Ltd. for a temporary Easement Agreement, as attached hereto and forming a part of these minutes, for the purpose of road construction along the S ½ 6-35-27W3, Project No. 5.061.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

198/19-BYLAW FIRST READING:

Moved by Gette THAT Bylaw No. 3/19, being a Bylaw to Establish a Public Notice Policy, be given first reading.

Carried.

199/19-BYLAW SECOND READING:

Moved by T. Kohlman THAT Bylaw No. 3/19, being a Bylaw to Establish a Public Notice Policy, be read a second time.

Carried.

200/19-BYLAW THIRD READING:

Moved by Thrun THAT Bylaw No. 3/19, being a Bylaw to Establish a Public Notice Policy, be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

201/19-BYLAW ADOPTION:

Moved by J. Kohlman THAT Bylaw No. 3/19, being a Bylaw to Establish a Public Notice Policy, be read a third time and finally adopted.

Carried.

202/19-PROCEED WITH TAX ENFORCEMENT:

Moved by Reichert THAT Council instruct Administration to proceed under Section 26(1) of *The Tax Enforcement Act, 1978*, to acquire title to the following property:

- Lot 21, Blk 2, Plan G607 in the Hamlet of Cactus Lake with assessed owner being: Frederick William Russell.

Carried.

203/19-2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENT SYNOPSIS:

Moved by Rumohr THAT Council approve the layout of the 2018 Financial Statement Synopsis of the Municipality, as attached to and forming a part of these minutes, which will be included in the mailing of the 2019 Tax Notices to the Municipality's ratepayers.

Carried.

204/19-ANTON T. FLECK ROYALTY PAYMENT:

Moved by Gette THAT Council authorize the payment in the amount of \$14,019.18 to Anton T. Fleck, representing the final payment of a total of 4 payments according the Gravel Rights Agreement 2014 - 2017 dated February 16, 2017.

Carried.

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205/19-TRANSFER CASH FUNDS:

Moved by T. Kohlman THAT Council authorize Administration to transfer \$250,000.00 from the Future Expenditure Fund (Special Savings) to the Chequing Account in the Luseland Credit Union Ltd. in order to meet current expenditures until such time as monies from the current year's taxation comes in.

Carried.

206/19-ADVERTISE FOR ADMINISTRATOR:

Moved by Thrun THAT Council authorize Administration to place an advertisement for the Municipality's Administrator position in one issue of the Crossroads and The Chronicle, on the SARM Classifieds and on the Municipality's Website, with applications to be received on or before August 31, 2019.

Carried.

207/19-ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Reichert THAT this meeting does now adjourn at 9:35 p.m. this day.

Carried.

Reeve

Administrator