

THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIG RIVER NO. 555 HELD ON JANUARY 13th, 2014 AT THE BIG RIVER COMMUNITY CENTRE IN BIG RIVER, SASKATCHEWAN.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve John Teer at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Division 1 – Doug Panter
Division 2 – Sharon Hodgson
Reeve – John Teer
Administrator - Donna Tymiak

Division 3 – Vickie Hodgson
Division 4 – Robert Zinovich

MINUTES

1/14

PANTER: That, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 9th, 2013 be approved as presented.

Carried.

TITLES, BONDS AND SECURITIES

2/14

V. HODGSON: That, it be acknowledged the Administrator has placed the titles, Insurance Policies, Bonds, Securities, Term Deposit Certificates and other legal documents of the Municipality before council for their inspection.

Carried.

Councillor Robert Zinovich entered the Council Chambers and joined the meeting 9:12 a.m.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

3/14

S. HODGSON: That, the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of December be accepted as presented.

Carried.

ACKNOWLEDGE GRAVEL MEASURE

4/14

ZINOVICH: That, Council acknowledge gravel crushing contractor, Kirsh Construction, moved out of the area, the RM had AECOM measure the new traffic gravel stockpile at Lease 550312 located at NE-35-56-09-W3 and volumes have been determined to be 43,670 cubic yards.

Carried.



LIST OF ACCOUNTS

5/14

PANTER: That, the List of Accounts as listed on the attached schedule, totaling \$ 303,573.72 reflecting cheques 7488 to 7535, be passed for payment.

Carried.

Councillor Doug Panter left the Council Chambers 9:34 a.m.

COUNCIL INDEMNITY

6/14

V. HODGSON: That, the following accounts be approved for payment at this meeting and added to the next list of accounts presented to council:

Sharon Hodgson	Council Indemnity	\$ 325.00
Vickie Hodgson	Council Indemnity	\$ 297.50
Doug Panter	Council Indemnity	\$ 551.00
John Teer	Council Indemnity	\$ 885.00
Robert Zinovich	Council Indemnity	\$ 225.00
Sask Tel	Dec/13 Shop and Office Phone	\$ 229.14
		Carried.

SOLICITOR

7/14

S. HODGSON: That, Zatlyn Law Office and SARM Legal Services, Mike Morris and Andrew Svenson, be appointed as the solicitors for the RM of Big River No. 555 for the year 2014.

Carried.

Councillor Doug Panter returned to the Council Chambers 9:36 a.m.

ENGINEERS

8/14

ZINOVICH: That, AECOM Engineering Ltd. be appointed as the engineering firm for the RM of Big River No. 555 for the year 2014.

Carried.

AUDITOR

9/14

PANTER: That, Dean Staff, BComm., CA and Kenneth Fehr, CA, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP be appointed as the auditors for the RM of Big River No. 555 for the year 2014.

Carried.

FIRE RANGERS

10/14

V. HODGSON: That, Councillors Doug Panter, Sharon Hodgson, Vickie Hodgson and Robert Zinovich be the RM of Big River, No. 555 Fire Rangers for the year 2014, and that it be acknowledged each fire ranger has been presented with and have in their possession a copy of the *Prairie & Forest Fires Act, 1982*.

Carried.

POUND ADMINISTRATOR

11/14

S. HODGSON: That, the Administrator be appointed as pound administrator in order to deal with stray animal issues.

Carried.

PEST CONTROL OFFICER

12/14

ZINOVICH: That, Gerald Fillmore of Prince Albert be appointed as Pest Control Officer for the year 2014.

Carried.

WCB COUNCIL ASSESSABLE EARNINGS

13/14

PANTER: That, the 2014 assessable earnings for members of Council under the Worker's Compensation Board Act be set at \$32,898.00, per elected official as set by the Worker's Compensation Board.

Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S BOND

14/14

V. HODGSON: That, the Council accepts the Administrator's Bond Coverage Policy through SARM in the amount of \$200,000.00 as presented.

Carried.

SARM EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE

15/14

S. HODGSON: That, the RM of Big River carry the Excess Liability Insurance offered through SARM by the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company with coverage in the amount of two million dollars.

Carried.



HEALTH & DENTAL RENEWAL

16/14

ZINOVICH: That, the Extended Health and Dental Benefits offered through SARM be renewed.
Carried.

LONG TERM DISABILITY RENEWAL

17/14

PANTER: That, the Long Term Disability Benefit offered through SARM be renewed.
Carried.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

18/14

V. HODGSON: That, the Group Life Insurance Plan for all permanent employees be renewed.
Carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW

19/14

S. HODGSON: That, the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to borrow an amount, to meet the expenditures for the municipality for municipal purposes, not to exceed \$500,000.00, by way of an operating line of credit, with the Big River Branch of CIBC to be repaid at the terms negotiated with that institution.

Carried.

SASK LOTTERIES ALLOCATION

20/14

ZINOVICH: That, the R.M. of Big River, No 555 allocate the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund Community Grant program for 2015 as follows: R.M. of Big River \$250.00, Organized Hamlet of Phillips Grove \$250.00, Organized Hamlet of Nesslin Lake \$250.00, Town of Big River \$5,410.20.

Carried.

PARKLAND ASSOCIATION OF RM'S

21/14

PANTER: That, Administrator Donna Tymiak, Reeve John Teer and Councillors Doug Panter and Vickie Hodgson be authorized to attend the Parkland Association of RM'S on January 22nd, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. to be held at the Spiritwood Legion Hall and that expenses be paid.

Carried.

RECREATION AND CULTURAL BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE APPOINTMENT

22/14

V. HODGSON: That, Council appoint the following people to sit as members at large on the Big River and District Recreation and Cultural Board for 2014 and 2015: Muriel Runge, Jackie Jess, Jason Klassen and Jeremy Morin.

Carried.

BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

23/14

S. HODGSON: That, Rob Ferland, EPS Management be invited to the February meeting of Council to discuss RM Bylaw Enforcement for 2014.

Carried.

SASK POWER ORDER #20161807/301389238

24/14

ZINOVICH: That, Council offer the following comments to SaskPower regarding File 20161807/301389238 for a 17 Lot Subdivision at SW-15-57-07-W3 (Lots 1-10, Block 6 and Lots 1-7 Block 7) Michel Beach, Delaronde Resort:

1. The RM has a signed service agreement with the developer which has outstanding items that have not been completed to date by the developer;
2. The water security agency has identified a safe building elevation for the above properties which has been included with the Certificate of Approval and registered to the titles by the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried.

SASKPOWER ORDER # 20165140/301416500

25/14

PANTER: That, Council offer the following comments to SaskPower regarding File 20165140/301416500 NW-12-57-07-W3, Pickerel Point Campground and Crown Land:

1. There is an open subdivision application which includes the said lands and has not been approved to date;
2. The area identified as B on a map included with the SaskPower request is actually in the SW-12-57-07-W3 and owned by the Crown;
3. The SW-12-57-07-W3 houses structures that do not conform to the RM Zoning Bylaw 6/99;
3. That, Council request the application be rejected at this time until non-conforming structures have been removed and the subdivision application has been approved.

Carried.

Delegation Wade Reiter, SaskPower joined the Council meeting to discuss servicing subdivisions that have safe building elevations and landowners installing approaches that jeopardize access to SaskPower Utility Facilities 10:55 a.m. – 11:17 a.m.

SASKENERGY Right-of-Way Easement MR8 Plan BP1207 File 2013.43.8055 WR#205345
26/14

V. HODGSON: That, a right-of-way easement and agreement between the RM and Town of Big River and Sask Energy to accommodate the installation of a gas pipeline along MR8, Plan BP1207, Town of Big River be signed.

Carried.

Councillor Vickie Hodgson left the Council Chambers 11:40 a.m.

EMO EXECUTIVE MEETING
27/14

S. HODGSON: That, the Big River EMO Executive Meeting be held Monday February 10th, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the Big River Community Centre.

Carried.

2014 SEPA CONFERENCE
28/14

ZINOVICH: That, EMO Co-ordinator Doug Panter be authorized to attend the Saskatchewan Emergency Planners Association Conference March 18th – 20th, 2014 in Saskatoon and that associated expenses be paid.

Carried.

Councillor Vickie Hodgson returned to the Council Chambers 11:45 a.m.

DISCRETIONARY USE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION – Notice of Decision
29/14

PANTER: That, an application for development permit for Michael and Donna Bartelen, dated December 5th, 2013, to feed 2500 animal units or 5500 feeder cattle for back-grounding purposes on land described in the said permit application and site plan be REFUSED after taking the following into consideration:

1. The density described in the application meets the definition of an Intensive Livestock Operation (I.L.O.) in Section 2 - Definitions of the Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555 Zoning Bylaw 6/99; and
2. An I.L.O. is considered a Discretionary Use in Section 6 – AR- Agriculture Resource District in Bylaw 6/99; and
3. Subsection 6.4.1 (1) of Bylaw 6/99 states “*Council is governed by the location criteria contained in Section 3.3 of the Basic Planning Statement in issuing a discretionary approval for an I.L.O.*”; and
4. Subsection 3.3.3(5) (a) of the Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555 Basic Planning Statement Bylaw 6A/99 states “*No new I.L.O. will be considered if the operation will be less than 300 meters from a dwelling not located on the site or associated with the proposed I.L.O.*”; and
5. The proposed I.L.O. proximity is less than 300 meters from a dwelling that is situated on a 7.18 acre parcel described as Block A, Plan 98B12865 in SE-33-55-07-W3, which is not associated with the proposed I.L.O.

Carried.

MEETING WITH SASK AG AND FOOD

30/14

V. HODGSON: That, a meeting be set up as soon as possible with Bryce Sundbo, Regional Engineer and Andy Jansen, Agriculture Operations Manager, Ministry of Agriculture and Food to discuss the Notice of Decision for a Development Permit regarding the Michael and Donna Bartelen Application dated December 5, 2013 for a proposed I.L.O.

Carried.

MEETING WITH SASK AG AND FOOD AND BARTELEN'S

31/14

S. HODGSON: That, representatives from the Ministry of Agriculture and Food and Michael and Donna Bartelen be invited to meet with a Council to discuss the Notice of Decision for a Development Permit regarding the Michael and Donna Bartelen Application dated December 5, 2013 for a proposed I.L.O. and the landowner's intentions to remedy the unpermitted operations.

Carried.

RECESS FOR LUNCH – 12:07 PM

32/14

ZINOVICH: That, council recess for lunch.

Carried.

RECONVENE DELIBERATIONS – 1:03 PM

33/14

PANTER: That, council reconvene its deliberations.

Carried.

SARM CONVENTION

34/14

V. HODGSON: That, the Administrator, Reeve John Teer and Councillors Doug Panter and Vickie Hodgson be authorized to attend the SARM Annual Convention to be held in Regina March 10th to 13th, 2014 and that Councillors Doug Panter and Vickie Hodgson attend as voting delegates.

Carried.

MLDP

35/14

S. HODGSON: That, the following registrations be made for modules of the Municipal Leadership Development Program being held in conjunction with the SARM Convention March 10th, 2014 in Regina, and that associated expenses paid:

Public Relations and Communications for Municipalities – Vickie Hodgson

Carried.

Councillor Vickie Hodgson left the Council Chambers 1:35 p.m.

DPT

TOWN WATER REQUEST

36/14

ZINOVICH: That, a request be made to the Town of Big River as to the possibility of the RM Shop located at Parcel A Plan BQ143 in NW-17-56-07-W3 hooking into the Town of Big River water system.

Carried.

Councillor Vickie Hodgson returned to the Council Chambers 1:42 p.m.

Councillor Robert Zinovich and Reeve John Teer declared a pecuniary interest when the next topic came up and left the Council Chambers 1:48 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Doug Panter chaired the meeting in the Reeve's absence.

LOAD AND HAUL SNOW

37/14

S. HODGSON: That, Len's Trucking be hired to load and haul snow from the RM Household Garbage and Recycle Area located at Parcel A Plan BQ143 in NW-17-56-07-W3, at 2014 rates as deposited with the RM January 8th, 2014.

Carried.

Councillor Robert Zinovich and Reeve John Teer returned to the Council Chambers 1:55 p.m.

Reeve John Teer resumed Chairing the Council meeting.

Delegation George Hildebrand joined the Council meeting to discuss road and equipment maintenance 2:00 p.m. – 3:03 p.m.

John Oneschuk – Redhead Equipment Ltd. joined the Council meeting to discuss new grader delivery dates 2:18 p.m – 2:50 p.m.

Councillor Sharon Hodgson left the Council Chambers and the Council Meeting 2:32 p.m.

SUSPEND MEETING FOR PUBLIC HEARING – 3:00 PM – Zoning Amendments

38/14

ZINOVICH: That, Council suspend meeting for public hearing.

Carried.

RECONVENE DELIBERATIONS 3:01 PM

39/14

PANTER: That, Council reconvene its deliberations.

Carried.

PURCHASE CAMERAS

40/14

V. HODGSON: That, two game cameras be purchased as soon as possible for monitoring purposes in the RM.

Carried.

BYLAW 14/13 – Zoning Amendment Jennifer Sweet SE-03-57-07-W3

41/14

V. HODGSON: That, Bylaw No. 14/13, being a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw 6/99, be read a second time.

Carried.

BYLAW 14/13 – Zoning Amendment Jennifer Sweet SE-03-57-07-W3

42/14

ZINOVICH: That, Bylaw No. 14/13, being a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw 6/99, be read a third time.

Carried.

SARCAN DEPOT

43/14

PANTER: That, the RM of Big River, No. 555 support in concept the Town of Big River’s application to have the Ministry of Environment locate a full SARCAN Depot in Big River.

Carried.

CALCIUM POLICY

44/14

ZINOVICH: That, policy 400-21 be amended to remove the portion that speaks to cost sharing 50/50 for dust control with the Town of Big River on specific RM roads and replace it with “*The RM Council in consultation with their foreman determines annually where dust control is required on municipal roads.*”

Carried.

REPORTS

45/14

PANTER: That, the following reports be acknowledged and filed:
Maintenance
Committee Reports and Financial Statements
Unpaid taxes at year end

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

46/14

V. HODGSON: That, the correspondence having been read now be filed and that a list of the correspondence having been read be added to and form part of these minutes.

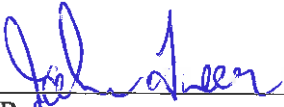
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT – 3:45 PM

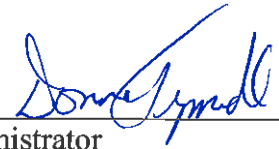
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ZINOVICH: That this meeting be adjourned.

Carried.



Reeve



Administrator