

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEWATER

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitewater held its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 in the Municipal Office in the Village of Minto with Reeve Blair Woods presiding and with Councillors
Reinie Weenink
John Sparrow
Bob Miller
Donald Rourke
Lisa Scott - CAO present.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, Donald Rourke completed his Oath of Office.

Reeve Woods called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by John Sparrow

1 RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted as circulated and amended and that it form part of the minutes.

CARRIED.

Minutes

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by John Sparrow

#2 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council held November 10th, 2010 the organizational meeting on November 3, 2010 and the special meeting held November 13, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

Business arising from the Minutes:

Nil.

Reeves Remarks

The Reeve reminded council of the rules for authorizing expenditures and being authorized to act on behalf of council. He also reviewed the Conflict of Interest Rules with council.

Financial Statement

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow

#3 RESOLVED that the Financial Statement for the period ending November 30, 2010 be approved.

CARRIED

The CAO was instructed to write to the Public Utilities Board regarding our requested water rate increase and approval for the 2009 deficit.

Administrator's Report

Christmas Greeting

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Donald Rourke

- #4 RESOLVED that we put a Christmas greeting in the Boissevain Recorder and Souris Plaindealer.

CARRIED.

Elgin Lions Club Donation

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by Donald Rourke

- #5 RESOLVED that we donate \$50.00 toward the Elgin Lions Club for working the bar at the Christmas party.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

AMM Training Seminar

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by Reinie Weenink

- #6 RESOLVED that Don Rourke and John Sparrow, be authorized to attend the AMM Newly Elected Municipal Officials training seminar in Souris on February 2, and their usual expenses be paid.

CARRIED.

Manitoba Emergency Measures Course

Moved by John Sparrow and seconded by Donald Rourke

- #7 RESOLVED that any member of council who can attend as well as the CAO and Local Emergency Coordinators be authorized to attend the Manitoba Emergency Measures course being held February 22 and 23rd in Hartney, AND THAT their usual expenses be paid.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Donald Rourke

- #8 RESOLVED that the correspondence be filed and/or dealt with in the usual manner.

CARRIED.

Unfinished Business

Council Committees

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow

- #9 RESOLVED that the following council committees and appointments be established.

Deputy Reeve	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>
Transportation & Protective Services	-	<u>Blair Woods</u>
	-	<u>John Sparrow</u>
General Government & Fiscal Services	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>
	-	<u>John Sparrow</u>
Recreation & Cultural Services	-	<u>Bob Miller</u>
	-	<u>Don Rourke</u>
Landfill & Recycling	-	<u>John Sparrow</u>
	-	<u>Bob Miller</u>
Public Utilities	Minto -	<u>Don Rourke</u>
	Elgin -	<u>Bob Miller</u>

Local Urban Districts	Minto -	<u>Don Rourke</u>
	Elgin -	<u>Bob Miller</u>
Souris River Water Commission	-	<u>Blair Woods</u>
Souris Valley Recreation Commission	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>
Emergency Measures Organization	-	<u>Blair Woods</u>
	-	<u>Lisa Scott</u>
Economic Development Services	-	<u>Bob Miller</u>
	-	<u>Don Rourke</u>
23 West Planning District	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>
	-	<u>John Sparrow</u>
Weed District	-	<u>Blair Woods</u>
	-	<u>Don Rourke</u>
Assiniboine Municipal Health Committee	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>
Assiniboine Hills Conservation District	-	<u>John Sparrow</u>
	-	<u>Reinie Weenink</u>

CARRIED.

By-Law No. 2009-6, being the Procedures By-Law and By-Law No. 2009-7, being the Organizational By-Law were reviewed. No changes or updates are needed at this time.

The caveat on the land around Minto Lagoon was discussed. The property owner will be asked to attend the next meeting.

The possible purchase of land around the Elgin Well was discussed.

The new WRARS Landfill Levy and a new building for the dump was discussed.

Councillor Sparrow left the meeting prior to discussion on the next issue.

The bill for cleaning out the ditch on NE 19-5-20 was discussed.

Council broke for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and resumed at 12:55 p.m.

Councillor Sparrow rejoined the meeting.

Unfinished Business cont'd:

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Robert Miller

#10 RESOLVED that the invoice prepared for the R.M. of Morton for the cost of fixing the boundary road be approved and sent to the R.M. of Morton for payment.

CARRIED.

Delegations:

1:05 p.m. – Syd Turner, Foreman, attended. Items discussed include boundary road, mower, grader tires, loader tires, plowing/grading in Minto.

1:30 p.m. – Anne Danielson, Emergency Co-ordinator for Southwest Emergency Management Group attended to review changes and updates to our 2010 Emergency Response Plan.

2:10 p.m. – Kevin Sparrow attended to discuss the ditch cleaning on NE 19-5-20.

Prior to any discussion, Councillor Sparrow left the meeting.

Kevin left the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Whitewater
Construction
Invoice

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Donald Rourke

#11 RESOLVED that we pay \$100.00 of the bill from Whitewater Construction for cleaning out the ditch on the NE 19-5-20 W.

CARRIED.

Councillor Sparrow returned to the meeting.

2:30 p.m. – Valerie Wooley Cuvelier, Economic Development Officer attended and updated council on projects she has been working on such as the housing investment club, letters to tradespeople, 2011 Homeshow and 2011 Newcomers Event/Canada Day Celebration. Valerie left the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Unfinished Business cont'd:

Purchase
New
Mower

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by John Sparrow

#12 RESOLVED that we purchase the Schulte XH 1500 and Flex Arm demo unit mower from Mazergruop for the quoted price of \$30,900.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED.

New Business

Website

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow.

#13 RESOLVED that bookmarks be added to our website at a cost of \$20.00 as per the request from the WCEDO.

CARRIED.

The CAO was instructed to write a letter to Albert Lagare regarding our gravel in his pit.

Minto
Fire
Department

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow

#14 RESOLVED that Minto Fire Department be authorized to purchase 3 sets of turnout gear.

CARRIED.

Federation of
Canadian
Municipalities

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by Donald Rourke

#15 RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities membership be renewed for 2011 at a cost of \$167.94.

CARRIED.

Evelyn
Miller
Resignation

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Donald Rourke

#16 RESOLVED that we accept with regret, the resignation of Evelyn Miller from her position as Elgin Utility Operator.

CARRIED.

Elgin
Utility
Operator

Moved by John Sparrow and seconded by Robert Miller

#17 RESOLVED that we advertise for the Elgin Utility Operator position with a deadline for applications being December 15, 2010.

CARRIED.

Poundkeepers

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by John Sparrow

#18 RESOLVED that the following persons be reappointed as Poundkeepers in their respective wards for the term of November 1, 2010 to October 31, 2014.

Ward 1	-	Bryan Jackson
Ward 2	-	Rick Kinsley
Ward 3	-	Gary Robbins
Ward 4	-	David Pettinger

CARRIED.

Canadian
Red
Cross

Moved by Donald Rourke and seconded by Reinie Weenink

#19 RESOLVED that CAO, Lisa Scott, be authorized to sign the Letter of Understanding renewal with the Canadian Red Cross for providing the services specified in the agreement during an emergency.

CARRIED.

Manitoba
Water &
Wastewater
Membership
Renewal

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded John Sparrow

#20 RESOLVED that Murray Jackson's Manitoba Water & Wastewater Association membership be renewed for 2011 at a cost of \$53.13.

CARRIED.

Grader
Tires

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow

#21 RESOLVED that we purchase 8 grader tires from Integra Tire for \$1,782.00 per tire, plus taxes and installation.

CARRIED.

Emergency
Response
Plan

Moved by Robert Miller and seconded by John Sparrow

#22 RESOLVED that the 2010 R.M. of Whitewater Emergency Response Plan be adopted as updated.

CARRIED.

Committee Reports

The CAO read the landfill operators report.

Councillor Weenink reported on a Conservation District meeting he attended. He reviewed some of the projects they had completed in 2010. He also attended the Conservation Districts Conference in Brandon.

Councillor Weenink reported on a 23 West Planning District meeting he attended. They have issued 99 permits since April.

Councillor Miller reported on the LUD of Elgin meeting held the previous evening

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Accounts

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by John Sparrow

#23 RESOLVED that the report of the Finance Committee regarding the accounts listed as paid to November 10, 2010 to December 7, 2010 in the amount of \$585,745.45 for which cheques No. 6370 to No. 6445 inclusive have been issued, be approved and that the proper officials be authorized to sign same.

CARRIED.

Adjourn

Moved by Reinie Weenink and seconded by Donald Rourke

#24 RESOLVED that we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

CARRIED.

TIME: 3:45 p.m.

THE R. M. OF WHITEWATER

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR