

The R.M. of Val Marie No. 17 held its Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2020 in the Municipal Chambers in Val Marie, Saskatchewan commencing at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Reeve Larry Grant; Division 1 Councillor: Tyler Jensen, Division 2 Councillor: Timothy B. Christianson; Division 3 Councillor: Steven Gunter; Division 4 Councillor: Shadrick Peno;

ABSENT: Division 5 Councillor: Greg Kornfeld

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Cathy Legault, Administrator; and Ben McLearn, Public Works Foreman

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum being present, Reeve Grant called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

262/20	AGENDA	PENO: That the agenda for this December 10, 2020 Council meeting be adopted as attached. Cd.
263/20	PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES	JENSEN: That the minutes of the November 16, 2020 regular meeting and November 23, 2020 special meeting be approved as read. Cd.
264/20	STARS TRAILER RESPONSE LIST	GUNTER: That Les Bloye be added to the Stars Trailer response list. Cd.
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	DELEGATE	Justin Lesperance from Timber Restoration Services was received by Council. Mr. Lesperance presented various timber bridge restoration methods that the company uses to rejuvenate and extend the life of timber bridges.
266/20	BRIDGE INSPECTIONS	GUNTER: That timber bridge restoration services be requested to quote on inspecting the following bridges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walker Bridge – NE 24-01-11-W3 • Dixon Bridge – NE 03-02-11-W3 • Olson Bridge – NE-09-03-13-W3 • Orkney Bridge – NE 34-01-15-W3 • Hillandale Bridge – NW 34-05-13-W3 • McGuire Bridge – SW 30-05-15-W3 • Jensen Bridge - NE 29-04-17-W3 Cd.
265/20	ADMIN REPORT	PENO: That the Administrators report be accepted as presented. Cd.
266/20	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	CHRISTIANSON: That the Statement of Financial Position as at November 30, 2020 be accepted as presented. Cd.
267/20	ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS	PENO: That the attached list of accounts for payment be approved. Cd.
268/20	COMMITTEE REPORTS	JENSEN: That the committee reports and minutes be accepted and filed. Cd.
269/20	LOTS & FORMER SHOP IN ORKNEY	PENO: That a tender be drawn and advertised to sell the lots in Block 2 in Orkney that the R.M. owns including the former R.M. shop. Cd.
270/20	PRAIRIE DOG DAMAGE COVERAGE FROM CROP INSURANCE	PENO: That both the federal and provincial Ministry's of Agriculture be requested to amend crop insurance to include damage from prairie dogs under the Wildlife Compensation Programs; and that coverage be extended to include damage to native grassland by prairie dogs. Cd.
271/20	BRIDGE DESIGN ENGINEERING RFP	CHRISTIANSON: That the bridge design engineering proposals be tabled until the next meeting. Cd.

272/20	BYLAW 18-20	GUNTER: That Bylaw 18-20, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality, be introduced and read for the first time. Cd.
273/20	BYLAW 18-20	CHRISTIANSON: Bylaw 18-20, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality, be read for the second time. Cd.
274/20	BYLAW 18-20	JENSEN: Bylaw 18-20, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality, be given three readings at this one meeting. Carried Unanimously.
275/20	BYLAW 18-20	PENO: Bylaw 18-20, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality, be read for the third time and adopted. Cd.
276/20	CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE	PENO: That the quote for cyber liability insurance at Level 2 coverage be accepted. Cd.
277/20	IN CAMERA SESSION	JENSEN: That we now move to an in camera session in order to finish the joint administrators performance review, time 4:40 p.m. Cd.
278/20	RISE FROM IN CAMERA	JENSEN: That we now rise from in camera, time 6:00 p.m. Cd.
279/20	ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	GRANT: That the Administrators Salary remain at \$87,125 per annum, adjusted for various insurances and benefits, and that 15 years of service as a municipal administrator be recognized and annual holiday leave be increased to 5 weeks per annum (new holiday year starting February 1, 2021). Cd.
280/20	INTERIM BUDGET	JENSEN: That the attached interim budget be approved. Cd.
281/20	BYLAW 19-20	JENSEN: That Bylaw 19-20, a Bylaw to Regulate the Proceedings of Municipal Council and Council's Committees, be introduced and read for the first time. Cd.
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289/20	AGGREGATE DEVELOPMENT	GUNTER: That the Grasslands National Park Superintendent be notified that the council's concerns with the proposed gravel development at the NE 7-4-13-W3 are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grasslands National Park's mandate is not to develop gravel pits outside of Grasslands National Park; and • That Grasslands National Park should be supporting the local economy and purchasing gravel at the prices set locally. Cd.
290/20	EXTENDING MEETING TIME	PENO: Where as section 24.1 of the Council Procedures Bylaw requires that council meetings adjourn at the expiration of five hours from the call to order unless a resolution of Council is passed; be it resolved that this meeting continue until the business listed on the agenda has been addressed. Cd.
291/20	FENCING CHANGES KEYSTONE XL	JENSEN: That the fencing changes outlined by email of November 4, 2020 from TransCanada for the Keystone XL pipeline be approved. Cd.
292/20	SASKPOWER REQUEST	PENO: That Saskpower's request to move poles to the east road allowance of section 36-03-13-W3 be approved. Cd.
293/20	SASKPOWER REQUEST	GUNTER: That Saskpower's request to amend the original plan approved by request 20278031 be approved, noting the installation of poles on the south side of the Hillandale Road rather than the north side. Cd.
294/20	MRS ELIGIBILITY DECLARATION	PENO: The Council of the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17 confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission of the 2019 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Government Relations; • In Good Standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes; • Adoption of a Council Procedures Bylaw; • Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct; and • All members of council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements, as required; and That we understand if any requirements are not met, our Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant may be withheld until all requirements are met; and That we authorize the Administrator to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations. Cd.
295/20	CANCELLATION OF PILT AMOUNT	GUNTER: That the PILT amount applied for the 2020 year on roll number 2315 be reversed, and the assessment and tax roll corrected for 2021 year. Cd.
296/20	CANCEL TAXES	JENSEN: That the taxes on Lots 1-5 BLK 2 Plan BM2409 be cancelled in the amount of \$3.30. Cd.
297/20	COVID TESTING PROTOCOLS	CHRISTIANSON: That the attached COVID testing protocols be approved. Cd.
298/20	OFFICE CLOSED	PENO: That the office be closed on December 24, 2020.

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299/20	ADMIN HOLIDAYS	JENSEN: That the administrators holiday request of December 23, 28, 29, 30, and 31 be approved. Cd.
300/20	ADJOURNMENT	GRANT: That this meeting do now adjourn, time 8:16 p.m. Cd.

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Administrator