



Rural Municipality of Val Marie No. 17

112 Railway Ave E, Val Marie, Saskatchewan

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting May 9, 2023 - 07:00 PM

PRESENT:

Reeve: Larry Grant

Division 1 Councillor: Tyler Jensen

Division 2 Councillor: Timothy Christianson (via teleconference)

Division 3 Councillor: Steven Gunter

Division 4 Councillor and Deputy Reeve: Shadrick Peno

Division 5 Councillor: Greg Kornfeld

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Cathy Legault, Administrator

Ben McLearn, Public Works Foreman

1 Call to order

A quorum being present, Reeve Grant called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Councillor Gunter was not present at the call to order.

2 Approval of the Agenda

Res. No. 2023-0144

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the agenda for this May 9, 2023 meeting be approved with the addition of:

- Unfinished Business - Letter to Minister of Agriculture re: Prairie Dog Control Permits
- New Business - Changing the July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting date.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3 Adoption of Minutes

Councillor Gunter joined the meeting, time 7:18 p.m.

3.1 April 17, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Res. No. 2023-0145

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the minutes of the April 17, 2023 Regular Meeting be approved with the amendment of striking "That the attached List of Accounts for Approval be approved:" from the text in resolution 2023-0092.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 April 29, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes

Res. No. 2023-0146

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the minutes of the April 29, 2023 Special Meeting be approved as read.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 Public Hearings

5 Delegations

5.1 7:30 p.m. - Marvin Meickel - Building and Technical Standards Branch, Ministry of Government Relations

Mr. Meickel was received by Council via teleconference @ 7:30 p.m. Mr. Meickel reiterated that the the Construction Codes Act requirement that every municipality now is required to have a Building Bylaw in place before December 31, 2023 or the Ministry of Government Relations will prescribe a model building bylaw. Council informed Mr. Meickel that they are not in favor of enacting a Building Bylaw, and that they do not feel that it will contribute to the safety or better management of resources for the ratepayers of the municipality. Council dismissed the delegate at 8:05 p.m.

5.2 8:00 PM - Kevin Dwyer, Fire Management Officer Grasslands National Park

Kevin Dwyer, Brett Grant and Dan Rafla from Grasslands National Park were received by Council at 8:09 p.m. Delegates reviewed the current fire equipment and staffing levels that Grasslands National Park has, and shared how Grasslands National Park would like to work with neighboring fire departments in fire fighting efforts. Delegates excused themselves at 8:55 p.m.

6 Reports of Administration & Committees

6.1 Administrative Update

Res. No. 2023-0147

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the Administrator's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 List of Accounts for Approval

Res. No. 2023-0148

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the List of Accounts for Approval detailing the following payments be approved:

- Inn. CU Cheques 4068-4077 totalling \$18,949.60
- Inn CU CAFT Payment # 2023-0037 - 2023-0048 totalling \$14,370.13
- Inn CU Online Banking Payment # 2023-0033 - 2023-0043 totalling \$14,900.98
- Inn CU Online Automatic Withdrawal Payment # 2023-0005 totalling \$543.12
- Collabria Credit Card Payment #2023-0026 - 2023-0029 totalling \$1,241.10
- Total Payments \$50,004.93

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Monthly Statement of Financial Position and Balance Sheet

Res. No. 2023-0149

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet, and Bank Reconciliations as of April 30, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.4 Committee Reports

Res. No. 2023-0150

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the committee reports and minutes be accepted and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 In Camera Session

7.1 Move to In Camera Session

Res. No. 2023-0151

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That we now move to an in-camera session in order to discuss employee matters, time 9:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

All staff left the meeting room, time 9:50 p.m.

All staff rejoined the meeting room, time 10:30 p.m.

7.2 Rise from In Camera Session

Res. No. 2023-0152

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That we now rise from in camera session, time 10:48 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8 Unfinished Business

8.1 Bylaw 2023-04, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality

8.1.1 Bylaw 2023-04, First Reading

Res. No. 2023-0153

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2023-04, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality; be introduced and read for the first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1.2 Bylaw 2023-04, Second Reading

Res. No. 2023-0154

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2023-04, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees and charges, be now read for the second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1.3 Bylaw 2023-04 - Three Readings at One Meeting

Res. No. 2023-0155

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2023-04, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees and Charges, be given three readings at this one meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1.4 Bylaw 2023-04 - Third Read & Adopt

Res. No. 2023-0156

Moved by: Reeve Grant

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2023-04, A Bylaw to Establish a Schedule of Fees Charged by the Municipality, be read for the third time and adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Grasslands National Park - Letter to Executive Director re: Outstanding Invoice

Res. No. 2023-0157

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the letter from the Acting Field Unit Superintendent dated May 8, 2023 be noted as received and that a response be discussed a later meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Road Legitimization Projects

8.3.1 Road Legitimization Projects - Surveying Quotes

8.3.1.1 Road Legitimization Projects - Quotes Received

Res. No. 2023-0158

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That it be noted that quotes for road surveying and plan drafting for the road legitimization projects [to the Jensen yards in TWP 4 RG 17, the road through the Dixon Community Pasture to the east boundary of the RM in TWP's 2 & 3 RG 10, as well as the road through E1/2 of 21 and SE 28-03-12-W3] were received from: GeoVerra, Midwest Surveys Inc., and Meridian Surveys.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3.1.2 Road Legitimization Projects - Surveying and Plan Drafting

Res. No. 2023-0159

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That Meridian Surveys be contracted to complete surveying and plan drafting for the road legitimization projects as described in the request for quote, per their quoted price of \$58,000 plus taxes, price includes ISC Fees (R.M. to pay Ministry of Highways Fees directly).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3.2 Road Legitimization Projects - Agreement for Sale of Land - Facette

Res. No. 2023-0160

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the agreement for sale of land with Arthur & Edna Facette for the purpose of surveying and registering an existing roadway in the SE 21-03-12-W3 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3.3 Road Legitimization Projects - Agreement for Sale of Land - Tetreau

Res. No. 2023-0161

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the agreement for sale of land with Brad & Kyla Tetreau for the purpose of surveying and registering an existing roadway in the NE 36-02-10-W3 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3.4 Road Legitimization Projects - Consent of Occupants Received - Cote and Tetreau

Res. No. 2023-0162

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That it be noted consent from Maurice Cote and Brad & Kyla Tetreau has been obtained to raise road plans through the following agricultural crown lease lands:

- SE 28-03-12-W3
- NE 21-03-12-W3
- NW 36-02-10-W3
- SE 01-03-03-10-W3
- SW 01-03-10-W3

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3.5 Closing and Selling Road Plan SE 21-03-12-W3 AU1365 Ext 1

Res. No. 2023-0163

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the Administrator draft the necessary agreements and Bylaw, as well as provide the required public notice so that Council may consider the closing and selling of SE 21-03-12-W3 AU1365 Ext 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Olson Bridge Replacement Roadwork - Right of Way Agreements for Fencing & Back Sloping

8.4.1 Right of Way Agreement for Fencing and Back Sloping - Bernice Olson

Res. No. 2023-0164

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the agreement with Bernice Olson for fencing and back sloping pertaining to the SE 16-03-13-W3 ext 54 and 56 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4.2 Right of Way Agreement for Back Sloping - D.M.G. Ranches

Res. No. 2023-0165

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the agreement with DMG Ranches pertaining to back sloping the NE 09-03-13-W3 Ext 4 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4.3 Right of Way Agreement for Back Sloping - Grasslands National Park

Res. No. 2023-0166

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the wording changes to the agreement for back sloping requested by Grasslands National Park be approved and a revised agreement returned to them. The Administrator and Reeve are authorized sign the agreement after signatures from Grasslands National Park have been obtained so that agreement is in place before construction starts.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 Prairie Dog Permits - Min of Env & Ag

Res. No. 2023-0167

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That a letter to the Minister of Environment and the Minister of Agriculture be sent requesting an update on the Province of Saskatchewan issuing Black Tailed Prairie Dog Control Permits.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9 New Business

9.1 Development Appeals Board Appointment

Res. No. 2023-0168

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That Western Municipal Consulting be appointed to manage the Development Appeals Board process, as required by sec. 214(2) of *The Planning & Development Act, 2007*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Subdivision Request - Discretionary Use

Res. No. 2023-0169

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the Utility Subdivision Application in the SW 17-04-18-W3 (Community Planning File No. - SUBD-001322-2023) be approved; noting that Utility Uses are considered discretionary under the municipalities Zoning Bylaw and the required Public Notice and adjacent landowner notice has been provided.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Val Marie Community Church - Meeting with Village of Val Marie

Res. No. 2023-0170

Moved by: Reeve Grant

That a special meeting be held with the Village of Val Marie Council in order to discuss the disposal of the Community Church property (BLK A Plan No 101706184) property on May 31, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 Ministry of Highways Spring Road Restriction Order - Withdrawal

Res. No. 2023-0171

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the R.M. be withdrawn from the Ministry of Highways Spring Road Restrictions Order as soon as the next order is issued.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.5 2023 Budget

Res. No. 2023-0172

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the 2023 Annual budget be considered at the Special Meeting to be held on May 31, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 2023 Mill Rate

Res. No. 2023-0173

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That setting the 2023 mill rate be considered at the Special Meeting to be held on May 31, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7 Leafy Spurge Control Program Guidelines

Res. No. 2023-0174

Moved by: Reeve Grant

That the 2023 Leafy Spurge Control Program Guidelines be considered at the Special Meeting to be held on May 31, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.8 Items to Surplus

Res. No. 2023-0175

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the old tank from the Orkney fire truck, the old slip tank from the Orkney Fire Truck, the homebuilt flex arm, and the 2008 Schulte Flex arm be sold by tender.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.9 July Meeting Date Change

Res. No. 2023-0176

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the July 11, 2023 meeting be changed to Thursday, July 6, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10 Communications

Res. No. 2023-0177

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the communications listed on the agenda be acknowledged as required and filed as deemed appropriate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11 Reeve & Councillors Forum

12 Adjournment
Res. No. 2023-0178
Moved by: Reeve Grant

That this meeting adjourn, time 11:51 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
