



Rural Municipality of Val Marie No. 17

112 Railway Ave E, PO Box 59, Val Marie, Saskatchewan

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting January 14, 2025 - 01:00 PM

PRESENT:

Reeve: Larry Grant
Division 1 Councillor: Tyler Jensen
Division 2 Councillor: Timothy Christianson
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
Logan Resch, Assistant Administrator

1 Call to order

A quorum being present, Reeve Grant called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.
Councillor Kornfeld and Councillor Christianson were not present at the call to order.

Councillor Kornfeld joined the meeting, time 1:06 p.m.

2 Approval of the Agenda

Res. No. 2025-0001

Moved by: Div. 1 Councillor Jensen

That the agenda for this January 14, 2025 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3 Adoption of Minutes

3.1 December 19, 2024 Regular Meeting

Res. No. 2025-0002

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the minutes of the December 19, 2024 Regular Meeting be approved as read with the culvert measurements being corrected to 2 - 20m x 2200mm x 3.5mm in resolution 2024-0354.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 Public Hearings

5 Delegations

Councillor Christianson joined the meeting room at 1:31 p.m.

5.1 1:30 p.m. Beau Cornet - Cornet Agencies re: Rental Agreement

Moved by: Div. 1 Councillor Jensen

Beau Cornet was received by council at 1:19 p.m. to discuss the Cornet Agencies rental agreement. Mr. Cornet requested that the rental increase amount outlined in resolution 2024-0308 be lowered to \$700/month, there was discussion about alternative solutions and the reasoning for the increase. Mr. Cornet excused himself from the meeting room at 1:42 p.m.

5.1.1 Cornet Agencies Rental Amount

Res. No. 2025-0003

Moved by: Div. 1 Councillor Jensen

That after further discussion and consideration of an updated agreement with Cornet Agencies, that a rental rate of \$800 per month be requested and a one-time \$1,000 payment be made in 2025 because of the implementation of the new SGI Drive program. The updated agreement will continue to outline that any and all training expenses will continue to be covered by Cornet Agencies; and that if there are any major program changes in future years another one-time payment will be required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Kornfeld declared a conflict of interest with agenda item 5.2 and left the meeting room at 1:55 p.m.

5.2 2:30 p.m. - Dale Laturus - Road Closure Bylaw

Dale Laturus was received by Council at 1:55 p.m. Mr. Laturus noted he received notice of the Council's intent to consider closing and leasing the undeveloped road allowance west of NW 35-01-12-W3 to the adjacent lessee. Mr. Laturus also noted that he received an offer/inquiry from the R.M. wondering if Mr. Laturus would want to close and lease the (developed) road through the SW, SE, & NE of 26-01-12-W3 & SE 35-01-12-W3, and the road west of SW 36-01-12-W3. It was noted by Council that Mr. Laturus has expressed dislike of traffic through his yard in the SE 35-01-12-W3. Mr. Laturus spoke against closing and leasing the road allowance west of NW 35-01-12-W3 to the adjacent lessee as he does use the road allowance as it is a shorter distance for him to access other lands of his. It was noted by Council that there is not a road built on the road allowance west of NW 35-01-12-W3, and there is a slough on that road allowance that often could not be drove through. Council noted that others are driving farther distances around his yard because he does not like traffic going through his yard. Mr. Laturus was excused at 2:48 p.m.

Councillor Kornfeld rejoined the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

6 Reports of Administration & Committees

6.1 List of Accounts for Approval

Res. No. 2025-0004

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the "List of Accounts for Approval" detailing the following payments be approved:
Inn. CU - Cheque No.'s 4445 to 4454 totalling \$55,046.10
Inn. CU - CAFT Payment No.'s 2024-0169 to 2025-0004 totalling - \$13,659.16
Inn. CU - Online Banking Payment No.'s 2024-0117 to 2025-0007 totalling - \$47,229.66
Inn. CU - Automatic Withdrawal Payment No.'s 2025-0001 to 2025-0002 totalling - \$60,282.68
Collabria Credit Cards Payment No.'s 2024-0104 to 2025-0003 totalling - \$5,594.45
Total Payments - \$181,812.05

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Administrative Update

Res. No. 2025-0005

Moved by: Div. 1 Councillor Jensen

That the Administrator's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Monthly Statement of Financial Position and Balance Sheet

Res. No. 2025-0006

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet, and Bank Reconciliations as of December 31, 2024 be accepted as presented noting that not all year end adjusting is complete and not all invoices for 2024 have been received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3.1 Reserve Adjustment - Road Legitimization

Res. No. 2025-0007

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the "Reserve - Road Legitimizations" (acct #310-100-300) be adjusted to show a balance of \$4,500 at December 31, 2024; reflecting the amount of work left for this project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.4 Committee Reports

Res. No. 2025-0008

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

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. 2025-0009

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That we move to an in-camera session in order to discuss employee matters, time 3:10 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

All staff left the meeting room, time 3:10 p.m.

All staff rejoined the meeting room, time 3:28 p.m.

7.2 Rise from In-Camera Session

Res. No. 2025-0010

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That we now rise from in-camera session, time 3:28 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8 Unfinished Business

**8.1 2025 Prequalification Contract with 102039803 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Harlan Gunter)
Aggregate Loading & Hauling, and Excavation Services**

Res. No. 2025-0011

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the prequalification agreement with 102039803 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Harlan Gunter) for aggregate loading and hauling as well as excavation services for the 2025 year, be approved and signed by the Reeve and Administrator.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 2025 Prequalification Agreement with Stacey McCrea - Aggregate Loading, Hauling, and Spreading

Res. No. 2025-0012

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That we do not enter into a prequalification agreement for gravel hauling with Stacey McCrea at this time. A Request for Quote (RFQ) be advertised for gravel loading, hauling, and spreading for 2025 year. Administration is to forward RFQ details to council before posting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Grader Quotes - Finning

Res. No. 2025-0013

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the grader replacement quotes be tabled until next meeting, and further research be done on trade in vs private sale value of the graders.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Municipal Administrator Internship Program (MAIP) - Funding Agreement

Res. No. 2025-0014

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the Municipal Administrator Internship Program (MAIP) funding agreement between the R.M. of Val Marie and SARM for RMAA Level 'C' training for Logan Resch be signed and approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9 New Business

9.1 Presentation of Bond

Res. No. 2025-0015

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the bond coverages for 2025 be noted as presented by the Administrator with the following coverage levels:

- SARM Fidelity Bond: Fidelity Bond Insurance \$200,000 Coverage; Registered Mail: \$50,000; and Money & Securities: \$20,000 Coverage. Policy Period: January 1, 2025 to 12:01 AM January 1, 2026 (Regina Time)
- SGI Canada Policy: Fidelity Bond \$500,000; Loss Inside Premises Coverage \$25,000; Loss Outside Coverage \$25,000; Money Orders and Counterfeit Paper Currency Coverage \$25,000; Depositors Forgery Coverage \$25,000; Credit Card Forgery \$1,000; Computer Fraud and Funds Transfer Fraud \$25,000 (subject to various deductibles). Policy Period is March 3, 2024 to March 3, 2025 (coverages reviewed at renewal).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 March Regular Meeting Date Change

Res. No. 2025-0016

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the March 2025 Regular Meeting be changed to March 25, 2025 @ 1:00 p.m. due to the date conflicting with the SARM Convention.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Records Disposal List

Res. No. 2025-0017

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the documents outlined on the attached "Records Disposal Listing" be approved for disposal.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 Sask Lotteries 2026 Community Grant Program

Res. No. 2025-0018

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the R.M. of Val Marie's Sask Lotteries 2026 Community Grant be allocated to the Village of Val Marie - Val Marie Recreation Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.5 Elected Officials WCB Coverage

Res. No. 2025-0019

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the WCB coverage for elected officials be set at the minimum coverage of \$42,235 for 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 Bylaw 2025-01 " A Bylaw to Provide for Closing and Leasing of a Municipal Road or Street"

Res. No. 2025-0020

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That Bylaw 2025-01, A Bylaw to Provide for Closing and Leasing of a Municipal Road or Street be tabled until next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7 Bylaw 2025-02 "A Bylaw to Provide for the Municipality to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the Village of Val Marie"

9.7.1 Bylaw 2025-02 - First Reading

Res. No. 2025-0021

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2025-02, A Bylaw to Provide for the Municipality to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the Village of Val Marie, be introduced and read for the first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7.2 Bylaw 2025-02 - Second Reading

Res. No. 2025-0022

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2025-02, A Bylaw to Provide for the Municipality to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the Village of Val Marie, be now read for the second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7.3 Bylaw 2025-02 - Three Readings at One Meeting

Res. No. 2025-0023

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2025-02, A Bylaw to Provide for the Municipality to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the Village of Val Marie, be given three readings at this one meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7.4 Bylaw 2025-02 - Third Read and Adopt

Res. No. 2025-0024

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

Be it resolved that Bylaw 2025-02, A Bylaw to Provide for the Municipality to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the Village of Val Marie, be read for the third time and adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10 Communications

Res. No. 2025-0025

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. 2025-0026

Moved by: Reeve Grant

That this meeting adjourns, time 5:07pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
