

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF SIFTON
THURSDAY, June 11, 2020 - 8:30 A.M., OAK LAKE COMMUNITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Reeve: Cyril Druwe. Councilors: Wilson Davis, Scott Phillips, Russell Thiessen, Rick Gabrielle, Mark Houston, Larry Wallace, Stan Cochrane. Administrator: Lon Turner Regrets: Dave Roulette

A. CALL TO ORDER at 8:35 a.m. by Cyril Druwe.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: W. Davis – S. Phillips

2020-071 BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the regular meeting of June 11, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: L. Wallace – R. Thiessen

2020-072 RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 7, 2020, as circulated, be taken as read and approved, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled.

CARRIED.

D. RECEPTION OF DELEGATES

8:45 a.m. Cody Denbow, Public Works Foreman entered the meeting to update Council on Operator's schedules and machine maintenance:

- Gravel work at Resort WTS 7 loads, needs 2 more loads; road hauling gravel program has started; dust control is complete for June; RM has had requests for DC on PR roads and on boundary roads by non-rate payers; Will get rate payers to call highways for DC on PR roads; garbage trailer at Strike for pump installation; coolant leak on semi tested and fixed; a dozer day job to do; pre-work for PR 255 culvert project is also needed; seasonal worker is cross-training in grader to cover shortage; looking at value of a skid-steer for RM to use with snow blower instead of trade in; cost of new skid steers range from 70-100K; use for a bin at Resort WTS for furniture, steel, misc; need shelter for WTS supervisors at Resort now old sheds are gone.

Albert Logeot, Utilities-Urban Centre Foreman to update Council on Utilities and other activities:

- Lift station fans are installed and no heat alarms since; weed district spraying RM parks and property; Resort WTS fence is being fixed up; fence along Lakeshore Dr in Oak Lake Beach Resort will be installed to prevent parking and unauthorized access to Public Reserve areas; lagoon sample taken for June discharge; new JD mower working great after 50 hours; potholes around Oak Lake (Town) need filled; tree branch shredder would be helpful (costs around 8K for 4" log); wrecked signs around the RM need replaced.

Carleigh Babiak, EDO and Rec Director to update Council on recreation and economic development programs:

- At home rec programs running currently; regular programming will start in fall; reviewed MB Building Sustainable Communities grants for arena (~22K) and Handi-Van (~45K) approvals; trail maps being worked on; yard clean up challenge complete; hall brochures completed; MB 150 event planned for fall is uncertain at this point due to COVID19; OLACDB RMS Strategic Plan presented reviewing years 2016-2020; Oak Lake Golf course is planning Canada Day events.

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Richard Romaniuk (Sr. Park Advisor), Shawn Lamb (Park Region Manager) and David Jones (Park Specialist) from Manitoba Conservation and Climate entered meeting to discuss Oak Lake Provincial Park and Beach:

- Province is aware of how important the Park/Beach areas are to the RM; the Province is not in a position to sell the Park at the moment but Lease options and Operating Agreements are available; Parks Dept is checking to see if there are any entitlement claims on the parks property; Province acknowledged RM's interest in investing in the parks area to make it a better place for tourists and residents; RM directed to pass a resolution and forward a formal letter to the Province stating RM's interest in the Parks property; Park succession planning will need to go through public consultation before property can be transferred; General discussion about the history of the OL Provincial Park and Provincial Parks in general; Provincial delegates will return in July to do a site visit of Park and Beach area with RM Council.

E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Infrastructure: Met with delegates from Province to discuss Oak Lake damn repairs and possible solution is to place rocks in front and behind damn; Discussion on road/sidewalk infrastructure for Oak Lake Town and Oak Lake Beach Resort – Lakeshore Drive repairs needed.

Watershed District: Regular business meeting, nothing to report.

Hall Committee: Received 6K grant from OL&A Foundation for 24 round tables.

Animal control: General discussion on role in managing animal units per acre as per RMS Zoning Bylaw No 1325.

Waste & Recycling: Discussion on managing fish waste from Lake and marina. No resolution made. CAO will contact marina to discuss options. Old tires stacking up at OL WTS. CAO to manage pick up of tires.

Committees: Discussion to amalgamate Sifton Recreation Commission with Oak Lake & Area Community Development Board. Also discussed other ideas for development of RM.

F. COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION : S. Phillips – W. Davis
2020-073 BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Sifton provides a grant of \$ 500.00 to the Oak Lake Golf Club to be used for a Canada Day Celebration.

CARRIED.

MOTION: L. Wallace - R. Thiessen
2020-074 BE IT RESOLVED to support the Oak Lake & Area Handi-Transit as per requested in schedule "A".

CARRIED.

G. ACCOUNTS

MOTION: R. Gabrielle – S. Cochrane
2020-075 BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves month-to-date Accounts Payable listing including cheques #6981 to #7008.

CARRIED.

MOTION: M. Houston – R. Thiessen
2020-076 RESOLVED that the accounts paid of general account cheque numbers 6921 to 6977 and Direct Deposit payroll, and on line payments, inclusive, from May 1 to May 31, 2020 in the amount of \$253,483.83 be approved.

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MOTION: R. Gabrielle – S. Cochrane

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2020-077 RESOLVED that the RM of Sifton approves the Financial Statement as presented.
CARRIED.

Councilor Mark Houston left the meeting due to a conflict of interest.

MOTION: L. Wallace – R. Thiessen

2020-078 BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Accounts Payable for cheque # 6980 as approved by the Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

Councilor Mark Houston re-entered the meeting.

Councilor Stan Cochrane left the meeting due to a conflict of interest.

MOTION: S. Phillips – W. Davis

2020-079 BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Accounts Payable as attached.

CARRIED.

Councilor Stan Cochrane re-entered the meeting.

MOTION: M. Houston – R. Thiessen

2020-080 BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Accounts Payable as attached.

CARRIED.

MOTION: R. Thiessen – L. Wallace

2020-081 RESOLVED that we transfer funds in the amount of \$1044.81 from the Sewer Reserve Fund to the Sewer Operating Account to cover the cost of the supply and install of the ventilation at the lift station.

CARRIED.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION: S. Cochrane – R. Thiessen

2020-082 BE IT RESOLVED to rent a dumpster bin for the Resort Waste Transfer Site for 3 months beginning June 12, 2020.

CARRIED.

MOTION: L. Wallace – S. Phillips

2020-083 BE IT RESOLVED that we hire Kristen Kobialko for our seasonal Position from April 1 to September 30, 2020. Wages per Schedule "A".

CARRIED.

MOTION: R. Thiessen – S. Cochrane

2020-084 BE IT RESOLVED that we hire Rilynn Enns as our full-time student for Position #1 from May 19 to August 28, 2020. And that we hire Jordyn Smith for Position #2 from June 8 to August 28, 2020. Wages per Schedule "A".

CARRIED.

MOTION: W. Davis – S. Phillips

2020-085 BE IT RESOLVED that the CAO and Deputy Reeve sign the Development Agreement between Bruce's Four Season (1984) LTD. and the RM of Sifton.

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I. BY-LAW, POLICY & PUBLIC HEARINGS

MOTION: R. Thiessen – L. Wallace
2020-086 BE IT RESOLVED that we do now move into a Committee of the Whole with Cyril Druwe to sit in chair as a Variation Board.

CARRIED. *See minutes for Variation Order Application*

MOTION: S. Cochrane – R. Gabrielle
2020-087 BE IT RESOLVED that we exit the Committee of the Whole and resume the former order of business.

CARRIED.

MOTION: W. Davis – S. Phillips
2020-088 WHEREAS Chris and Christa Cels have submitted Variation Application No. 20-01S as required to comply with Zoning By-Law No. 1325; AND WHEREAS this application requests approval to vary the minimum Rear Yard from 25 feet to 20 feet, to allow construction of a cabin to comply with RM of Sifton Zoning By-Law; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Variation Application be approved.

CARRIED.

MOTION: M. Houston – R. Thiessen
2020-089 BE IT RESOLVED to pass the 1st reading of By-Law No. 03-2020, Regulation of Parking and Storing Vehicles by-law.

CARRIED.

J. GENERAL BUSINESS

MOTION: M. Houston – R. Gabrielle
2020-090 RESOLVED that we tender by invitation for the following:

- 1) The pumping out of Oak Lake resident sewer tanks (list to be provided by the Municipal office) please provide cost per tank.
- 2) Provide an hourly rate for use of septic truck to perform jobs authorized by the municipal office or the public works foreman. The company must confirm their ability to respond with equipment and manpower when given 3 hours' notice;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the pumping out of tanks is to be completed by August 31, 2020. Proof of vehicle and liability insurance is to be included with the tender. Tenders are to be received by 5:00 p.m. July 8, 2020. The lowest or any tender may not be accepted and the RM of Sifton reserves the right to reject any and all tenders.

CARRIED.

K. NOTICE OF MOTION

L. **ADJOURNMENT** Adjourn by the Chair to meet again July 9, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.