

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF SIFTON
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021 - 8:30 A.M., OAK LAKE COMMUNITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilors: Ward 1 - Russell Thiessen Larry Wallace Rick Kenderdine
 Ward 2 - Wilson Davis Stan Cochrane
 Ward 3 - Dave Roulette Mark Houston
Administrator: Lon Turner
Absent: Cyril Druwe, Scott Phillips

A. CALL TO ORDER at 8:30 a.m. by Larry Wallace

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: **R. Kenderdine – W. Davis**

2021-054 BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the regular meeting of April 8, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: **R. Thiessen – M. Houston**

2021-055 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2021, and, 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, Municipal Foreman** to update Council on activities:
Grading has started, monitoring road conditions and frost boils, gravel maps started; approach widening projects (DL/JH/JP); old trailer modified to haul toolcat; parts ordered for backhoe; OLTS cleanup and haul to landfill; discuss bin at Resort WTS; a few road signs need to be replaced; road development project in SW Ward 2.

Albert Logeot, Public Works/Utilities Foreman to update Council on activities:
Green Team hired and started; cleaning dumps, mowers ready, weed whipper purchase, sewer course 2-days; backlane tree removal discuss-will get quote; OLPP starting up and new speed sign needs to be installed

E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

OLCDB: Funding agreement with RM discussed.

Aquifer: Levels are below normal in areas.

ARENA: Open for MAY but would like cost/month break-even numbers from CAO.

Resorts: More lights along 254 by Marina preferred. CAO to contact MI. Road allowance for Cherry Point Road needs to be surveyed-boundary close to private lot on west side of Cherry Point.

Watershed Districts: New manager hired for SRWD.

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F. COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION : **R. Thiessen – R. Kenderdine**
2021-056 BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Sifton gives Kidsport MB a donation in the amount of \$300.00.
CARRIED.

MOTION : **S. Phillips – D. Roulette**
2021-057 BE IT RESOLVED to approve grants to the Oak Lake Golf Club as follows:
1. \$2,000.00 for Sponsorship
2. \$1,750.00 for course upgrades
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED to use funds from the COVID-19 surplus grant received.
CARRIED.

MOTION: **S. Cochrane – W. Davis**
2021-058 BE IT RESOLVED to approve a 5-year agreement with OLCDB as per Schedule A.
CARRIED.

G. ACCOUNTS

MOTION: **S. Cochrane - D. Roulette**
2021-059 WHEREAS the 2019 audited financial statement showed a general operating fund deficit on Schedule 14 in the amount of \$237,381;
AND WHEREAS the deficit was due to the construction of the lagoon and payment of capital project costs until borrowing for the lagoon project was in place;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the transfer of \$237,381 from accumulated surplus to cover the \$237,381 deficit from 2019.
CARRIED.

MOTION: **D. Roulette – M. Houston**
2021-060 RESOLVED that the accounts paid of general account cheque numbers 7570 to 7653 and Direct Deposit payroll, and online payments, inclusive, from March 1 to March 31, 2021 in the amount of \$285,258.62 be approved.
CARRIED.

MOTION: **R. Thiessen – M. Houston**
2021-061 BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves month-to-date Accounts Payable listing including cheques #7633 to #7653.
CARRIED.

MOTION: **M. Houston – D. Roulette**
2021-062 BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Financial Statements as presented.
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H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION: **S. Cochrane – R. Kenderdine**
2021-063 BE IT RESOLVED to accept the offer to purchase from Roger Branum for the old Lagoon site for the sale price of \$15,000.00 plus buyer pays for all legal fees and transfer taxes.
CARRIED.

MOTION: **S. Cochrane – R. Kenderdine**
2021-064 BE IT RESOLVED to purchase dock extension of 16 feet (x 2 sections) for the price of \$5,400 plus taxes.
CARRIED.

I. BY-LAW, POLICY & PUBLIC HEARINGS

MOTION: **R. Kenderdine – R. Thiessen**
2021-065 BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 01-2021 being a by-law for the 2021 Property Tax pass first reading.
CARRIED.

J. GENERAL BUSINESS

MOTION: **M. Houston – D. Roulette**
2021-066 BE IT RESOLVED that we hire Kristen Kobialko, Rilynn Enns, Jordan Smith, Caden Nolan, and Megan Reynolds as our summer Positions for the 2021 Season Wages as per Schedule “A”.
CARRIED.

Reeve, Cyril Druwe

Chief Administrative Officer, Lon Turner