

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF SIFTON**  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - 8:30 A.M., OAK LAKE COMMUNITY HALL**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**A. CALL TO ORDER at 8:30 a.m. by Cyril Druwe.**

**B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** R. Thiessen – M. Houston

**2020-106** BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the regular meeting of August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED.**

**C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** W. Davis – S. Phillips

**2020-107** RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 9<sup>th</sup>, 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:

- First round of road mowing complete; more to do in fall; scraper ready to begin prep-work for 255 culvert install; initial road gravel requirements have been completed and will review budget to decide if more graveling is feasible; some issues near Oak Lake spillway with old deteriorated culverts, will check with Water Services to determine whose responsibility to fix; other culverts around RM deteriorating as well; review Mack truck issues and repairs; discussion on Belleview Road repair, road in SE municipality needing major work, which may not be feasible; working on a couple of cost-shared projects.

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

- Vehicle repairs on Parks truck; sewer issues with drain valves fixed; water overflow drain on Aspen cleaned out and appears to be working; tree cutting activity review and need for MB Hydro to cut some branches back near power lines at Oak Lake Beach Resort; Civic Address signs going in.

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

- Presented information on recreation activities, grant approvals and applications and economic development.

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Dale Hrynko, RM Sifton BYLAW Officer to update Council on activities in the municipality

- Jack Robson, Robert Jasper, Waldemur Naumann enter as guests
- Review and discussion of activity regarding animal control, traffic and zoning bylaw.

**MOTION:**     **S. Cochrane – W. Davis**  
**2020-108**     BE IT RESOLVED to enforce BY-LAW 1325.  
**CARRIED.**

**E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**Southwest Weed District:**     General administration meeting.

**CPCOA:**                             Reviewed activity in Cherry Point: playground, waste transfer site, shoreline issues that were fixed.

**OL Provincial Park:**             Delegates from Provincial Parks came to visit OL Park and Beach area to discuss future development of the area and to explore different interests. General discussion of possible development ideas and projects to improve Provincial Park and Public Reserve Areas in Oak Lake Beach and Cherry Point Resorts.

**OL Beach Resort:**                 Severe weather warnings an issue for the area, cell service and internet service in area is poor so other initiatives may be a better choice for warning (sirens); Trees along PR 254 need to be cut back from highway as branches are hitting sides of RV's and need room for vehicles to pull over (no shoulders); interest by residents to have more speed signs, stop signs, and temporary speed bumps placed on roads to help slow traffic on Lakeshore Drive.

**Watershed District:**             General meeting for administration.

**Econ Dev:**                         Meeting with Steel Creek in Melita to investigate potential development initiatives for RM Sifton; site visit to a 6-Plex construction site.

**F. COMMUNICATIONS**

**G. ACCOUNTS**

**MOTION:**     **R. Thiessen – L. Wallace**  
**2020-109**     RESOLVED that the accounts paid of general account cheque numbers 7035 to 7095 and Direct Deposit payroll, and on line payments, inclusive, from July 1 to July 31, 2020 in the amount of \$220,160.12 be approved.  
**CARRIED.**

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

**MOTION:**     L. Wallace – R. Thiessen  
**2020-110**     BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Accounts Payable as attached.  
**CARRIED.**

Councilor Stan Cochrane re-entered the meeting.

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**MOTION:**       **D. Roulette – M. Houston**  
**2020-111**       BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves month-to-date Accounts Payable listing including cheques #7099 to 7142, and A/P Preliminary Cheque Run.  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION:**       **S. Phillips – W. Davis**  
**2020-112**       RESOLVED that the RM of Sifton approves the Financial Statement as presented.  
**CARRIED.**

**H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**MOTION:**       **R. Gabrielle – S. Cochrane**  
**2020-113**       BE IT RESOLVED to approve and plan for the installation of a culvert under PR 255 just west of 148W using the Detour Map Plan as attached and schedule installation to be completed during the week of September 14<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION:**       **L. Wallace – R. Thiessen**  
**2020-114**       BE IT RESOLVED we set the Rural Municipality of Sifton Council appoints Deanne Weisberg to SAIL.  
**CARRIED.**

**I. BY-LAW, POLICY & PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**MOTION:**       **L. Wallace – R. Thiessen**  
**2020-115**       BE IT RESOLVED that we do now move into a Committee of the Whole with Cyril Druwe to sit as a Variation Board.  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION:**       **S. Phillips – W. Davis**  
**2020-116**       BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee of the Whole be adjourned and that we resume the former order of business.  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION:**       **S. Cochrane – R. Gabrielle**  
**2020-117**       WHEREAS Daryl McCharles has submitted Variation Application No. 20-02S as required to comply with Zoning By-Law No. 1325;

AND WHEREAS this application requests approval to reduce the Front Yard from 25 feet to 3 feet, and reduce the North Side Yard from 10 feet to 6 feet to allow construction of a garage to comply with RM of Sifton Zoning By-Law.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Variation Application be approved.

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**CARRIED.**

*Councillor Scott Phillips left the meeting due to a prior engagement.*

**J. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**MOTION: R. Gabrielle – W. Davis**

**2020-118** BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the RM of Sifton appoints MNP as their municipal auditor for the year ending December 31, 2020.

**CARRIED.**

**MOTION: R. Gabrielle – M. Houston**

**2020-119** BE IT RESOLVED to acknowledge and approve the private property structure encroachments of Roll 87400 onto Public Reserve Land and Public Road Allowance as attached and presented by Surveyor's Sketch of Lot 1, Block 7, Plan 1138 BLTO, drawing # 221145-SK-RD dated 29th June 2020 (Schedule A).

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that owner of Roll 87400 will be liable for any costs incurred to these structures for removal or repair if and when these structures interfere with any public work required to do on the above-mentioned public properties.

**CARRIED.**

**MOTION: D. Roulette – M. Houston**

**2020-120** BE IT RESOLVED to offer to purchase 3.5 acres of bare land as attached in Schedule "A" and to cover additional administrative expenses as per schedule "A".

**CARRIED.**

**K. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. Adjourn by the Chair to meet again September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

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Reeve, Cyril Druwe

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Chief Administrative Officer, Lon Turner