Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held Thursday the 9th Day of May, 2024 held at 137 George Avenue, Collacott Subdivision, R.M. of Orkney No. 244

Present:

Reeve Randy Trost

Councillor Division 1 Mathew Charney (Matt)

Councillor Division 2 Trevor Protz Councillor Division 3 Ronald Mehling Councillor Division 4 Jack Maksymiw

Councillor Division 5 Vern Effa (Deputy Reeve)

Councillor Division 6 Robert Kriger

Administrator Bridgette Rushkewich

Public Works Manager Kevin Zamonsky

Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Reeve, Randy Trost called the meeting to order, at 8:08 a.m.

Minutes:

172/24 **Kriger:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Thursday, May 9, 2024 and the Special Meeting of Council held on Friday, April 19, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

In-Camera:

173/24 **Trost:** That the Regular Meeting of Council be closed for an in-camera session at 8:10 a.m. to discuss future capital projects and legal matters.

Carried.

B. Prybylski attended Council Chambers from 8:10 to 8:19 a.m.

Bridgette Rushkewich, Administrator, left Council Chambers from 9:19 a.m. to 10:11 a.m.

The Council Meeting reconvened into open session at 10:13 a.m.

Donation to Willowbrook Community Center:

Mehling: That the Council approves giving a donation to the Willowbrook Community Center in the amount of \$2,000.00 to assist in repairs to the roof, once confirmation is provided in writing to the RM Office that they are proceeding with the project.

Carried.

Request for a Road Maintenance Agreement to Haul on Grain Millers Drive:

175/24 Effa: That Council remains in agreement with resolution 148/24 from the April 11, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council, directing that haul requests for Grain Millers Drive will not be granted and that the City of Yorkton's designated detour route from the construction on York Road should be used.

Carried.

Unfinished/New Business:

Bylaws:

Bylaw No. 7/2024, Fee Bylaw

176/24 **Effa:** That Bylaw No. 7/2024, being a Bylaw to Authorize Charging Fees for Various Services and Products be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried.

177/24 **Charney:** That Bylaw No. 7/2024, being a Bylaw to Authorize Charging Fees for Various Services and Products, be given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried.

178/24 **Protz:** That Bylaw No. 7/2024, being a Bylaw to Authorize Charging Fees for Various Services and Products be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

179/24 **Kriger:** That Bylaw No. 7/2024, being a Bylaw to Authorize Charging Fees for Various Services and Products, be given three readings and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

Admin./Reeve

Bylaw No. 8/2024, A Bylaw to Establish Fees for the Provision of Tax Certificates Mehling: That Bylaw No. 8/2024, being a Bylaw to Establish Fees for the Provision of 180/24 Tax Certificates and Other Assessment and Taxation Information, be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried.

Maksymiw: That Bylaw No. 8/2024, being a Bylaw to Establish Fees for the Provision of 181/24 Tax Certificates and Other Assessment and Taxation Information, be given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried.

Effa: That Bylaw No. 8/2024, being a Bylaw to Establish Fees for the Provision of Tax 182/24 Certificates and Other Assessment and Taxation Information, be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

Charney: That Bylaw No. 8/2024, being a Bylaw to Establish Fees for the Provision of 183/24 Tax Certificates and Other Assessment and Taxation Information, be given three readings and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

General Items:

Policies:

Human Resource Committee Policy:

Maksymiw: That the Council approves and adopts the Human Resource Committee Policy 184/24 as presented and attached hereto and forming part of the comprehensive policy book.

Carried.

Finance Committee Policy:

185/24 Effa: That the Council approves and adopts the Finance Committee Policy as presented and attached hereto and forming part of the comprehensive policy book.

Carried.

Organization Structure Policy:

Charney: That the Council approves and adopts the Organizational Structure Policy as 186/24 presented and attached hereto and forming part of the comprehensive policy book.

Carried.

Mathew Charney, Division 1 Councilor requested a recorded vote on the resolution for the amendment of scope for the work to be done on Skilnick Road

Skilnick Road Work Scope Amendment:

187/24 Charney: That the Council approves a change in scope of work to the Skilnick Road project from rebuilding the last mile of Skilnick road, to milling and adding MG30 to the first two miles of Skilnick Road and a portion of Range Road 2043, north of Skilnick Road for an estimated additional cost of \$3,612.80, including taxes.

In Favour:

Randy Trost, Reeve Mathew Charney, Division 1 Councilor, Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councilor, Ronald Mehling, Division 3 Councilor, Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councilor and Vern Effa, Division 5 Councilor.

Against:

Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councilor

Carried.

Asphalt Repairs:

188/24 **Protz:** That the Council approves the tender received from Fedorowich Construction Ltd. for crack sealing and/or patching portion of Grain Millers Drive, R.M. owned paved portions of Range Road 2042 from township road 252 to township road 255 (a.k.a. York Lake Road) and Main Street in the Willowbrook subdivision area for the amount of \$20,925.00, plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

Residential Building Official:

189/24 **Protz:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the information of possibly an additional employee to The Home Team.

Carried.

Mill Rate:

190/24 **Effa:** That the Council approves the Mill Rate increase of 0.50 mills going form 9.50 mills to 10.00 mills, with no change in the mill rate factors or minimum tax bylaws.

Carried.

2024 Well Decommissioning:

- Mehling: That the RM of Orkney will participate in the 2024 well decommissioning campaign administered by the Assiniboine Watershed Stewardship Association (AWSA) as in accordance with the following:
 - The RM shall be responsible for paying the contractor invoice (\$2500 plus tax),
 - AWSA will be the contact and shall submit the paperwork to the Ministry of Ag's Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program (FRWIP) in order to obtain the RM 90% reimbursement, and
 - the AWSA will provide the RM with the \$100 reimbursement per well.

Carried.

Complaint/Request Forms:

Overgrown Shrubs/Debris in Road Allowance NE 8-25-04-W2:

Maksymiw: That Council acknowledges receipt of the request to clear the natural drainage along NE 8-25-04-W2 and will look into some restorative channel cleaning this year.

Carried.

Employees:

Employee Holidays:

193/24 Maksymiw: That Council approve the following employee holidays:

D. Flundra - April 25 to 27,

D. Fink - ½ day April 22 and

K. Zamonsky – May 17 to 21 and June 6 to 10.

Carried.

194/24 **Effa:** That the Council approves of J. Decker taking July 15 to 19 and August 22 to 23 acknowledging that these days result in an additional 5.25 holiday days and therefore the additional days will not be compensated.

Carried.

Administrative Reports

List of Accounts for Approval:

195/24 **Kriger:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:

EFT numbers 1307 - 1332 \$134,912.57,

INT numbers 881 - 888: \$40,537.09,

Cheque numbers 11445 - 11464 \$64,859.27 and

Payroll totaling \$34,272.22.

Carried.

Monthly Financial Statements:

196/24 Effa: That the Statement of Financial Activities, Bank Reconciliation and the Credit Card

Statement for the month of April, 2024 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.

Administrative Reports:

197/24 **Mehling:** That Council acknowledges receipt of the Administrative Report and that it be filed.

Carried.

Admin./Reeve

Correspondence: all correspondence sent via email

198/24 Effa: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed:

APAS (Agricultural Producers of Saskatchewan): Update Letter,

Baker Tilly SK LLP: 2024 Audited Financials,

East Central Transportation Committee - Meeting Notification and Minutes,

FCM Newsletter and Updates,

Farm and Food Care Saskatchewan - Information Letter,

RCMP: Monthly Report,

SARM (Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities) - Newsletter and Updates and

response to SARM Resolution 7-24A.

Carried.

Adjourn

Trost: That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 12:04 p.m/

Carried.

Reeve, Randy Trøst

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Administrator, Bridgette Rushkewich

Admin./Reeve