Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held Monday the 15th Day of June 2023 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 (Deputy Reeve)

Councilor Division 3 Ronald Mehling Councillor Division 4 Jack Maksymiw Councillor Division 5 Vern Effa

Councillor Division 6 Robert Kriger

Administrator Bridgette Rushkewich

Assistant Admin. Jamie Decker Public Works Manager Kevin Zamonsky

Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Reeve, Randy Trost, called the meeting to order, at 8:00 a.m.

Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councilor, declared a conflict of interest as his company, Maks Construction Ltd., was contracted for work and received funds from the R.M. of Orkney No. 244 for the completion of work performed therefore he will leave Council chambers prior to any discussion, he will not participate in any part of the discussions and he will be abstaining from voting.

Minutes:

195/23 **Mehling:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Thursday, May 11, 2023 be approved as amended.

Carried.

Delegations:

Mr. Wiley Attended the council meeting from 8:02 to 8:20 a.m. to discuss the York Lake Toll Booth

Ms. Robinson and Mr. Paul attended the council meeting from 8:22 to 8:35 a.m. to discuss the York Lake Toll Booth

Mr. Zilke attended the Council Meeting from 8:37 to 8:54 a.m. to discuss drainage concerns with Cussed Creek.

In-Camera:

196/23

Mehling: That the Regular Meeting of Council be closed for an in-camera session at 8: 55 a.m. to discuss employees.

Carried.

Jamie Decker, Assistant Administrator; and Kevin Zamonsky, Public Works Manager, left Council chambers at 8:55 a.m.

Kevin Zamonsky, Public Works Manager returned to Council Chambers at 9:42 a.m.

197/23 Trost: That the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 9:53 a.m.

Carried.

Jamie Decker, Assistant Administrator returned to Council Chambers at 10:07 a.m.

Employee Holidays:

198/23 **Charney:** That, further to resolution 155/23, the Public Works Manager is allowed to take an additional two unpaid days, for a total of seven extra holiday days that are unpaid.

Carried.

Dust Suppressant:

199/23 Charney: That payment is authorized to re-imburse those rate payers that have provided payment for the 2023 dust suppressant program, which JDC Ag agreed to pay for and JDC Ag be invoiced the \$318.00 per 100-meter section per residential site for roads numbered 104, 106 and 110 (totalling 900 meters).

Carried.

Admin./Reeve

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councilor, declared a conflict of interest as he is asking for a payment of \$1.50 per yard of clay that is being taking from NE 11-25-05-W2 to be used on the Protz Memorial Road project for the R.M. of Orkney No. 244 therefore he is leaving Council chambers at 10:14 a.m., prior to any discussion, he will not participate in any part of the discussions and he will be abstaining from voting.

Payment for Clay:

200/23 **Maksymiw:** That the Council authorize a payment of \$1.50 per yard of clay for clay taken from NE 11-25-05-W2, used in the Protz Memorial Road clay capping project with the amounts of clay used to be provided from Deboys Equipment and an invoice submitted for payment by the land owner, Trevor Protz.

Carried.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councilor, returned to Council Chambers at 10:22 a.m.

Kevin Zamonsky, Public Works Manager left Council Chambers at 11:02 a.m.

Delegation:

Ms. Rae attended the Council Meeting to discuss the East Central Municipal Alliance from 11:02-11:34 a.m.

201/23 Trost: That this Regular Council Meeting recess for lunch at 12:17 p.m.

Carried.

Matt Charney, Division 1 Councilor, left Council chambers at 12:31 p.m.

202/23 **Trost:** That this Regular Meeting of Council resume at 12:54 p.m.

Carried.

Budget:

203/23 **Protz:** That the Council approved the budget as presented.

Carried.

Mill Rate:

204/23 Kriger: That the mill rate increase 1.0 mil from 8.0 mil to 9.0 mil.

Defeated.

205/23 **Protz:** That the mill rate increase 1.5 mills from 8.0 mil to 9.5 mil.

Carried.

Mill Rate Factors/Minimum Tax:

206/23 **Mehling**: That there be no change in the mill rate factors or minimum tax.

Carried.

Unfinished/New Business:

Road Maintenance Agreements:

Road Maintenance Agreement No. 6-2023 (Potzus Paving)

207/23 **Maksymiw:** That the Road Maintenance Agreement No. 6-2023 is approved as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

Road Maintenance Agreement No. 7-2023 (Potzus Paving)

208/23 **Effa:** That Road Maintenance Agreement No. 7-2023 is approved as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

Drainage:

SW 24 26-06-W2 WSA File E5105363 (Westside Land)

Maksymiw: That the Council approves of the drainage plan received from the Water Security Agency, file E105363, with the condition that the R.M. Office receive confirmation that the gate is in place and will be operated as discussed, notification being giving to the R.M. when the gate is going to be opened and closed with the land owner going to maintain water flow levels in accordance with Yorkton Creek provisions.

Carried.



NE 1-27-06-W2 (Zilke):

210/23 **Effa:** That the RM is willing to sign an approval for works with in the RM right of way should it be required by the land owner and Water Security Agency but will not provide any financial assistance for the land owner's project.

Carried.

Natural Habitat Signs:

Protz: That the Council approves the location of the Natural Habitat signs that were submitted and filed with correspondence, provided that the signs are installed in conjunction with the Ministry of Highways sign installation standards, being one meter form the intersecting road lines.

Carried.

2023 Well Decommissioning:

- Mehling: That the RM of Orkney will participate in the 2023 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.

Website:

213/23 **Mehling**: That resolution143/23 is rescinded and that the RM approve Catalys Technologies Canada Ltd. completing an maintaining the RM website design with the development cost of \$2,995 (plus taxes).

Carried.

Complaints/Request Forms

Culvert Placement Highway 9 and North NE 24-27-04-W2 (HLD Holdings):

214/23 **Maksymiw:** That Randy Trost is going to contact the Parrish and Heimbecker Ltd. elevator to clarify questions regarding the culvert placement in the highways approach.

Carried.

Application to Develop - York Lake Toll Booth - SE 22-25-04-W2

215/23 Effa: That further to resolution 163/23 approving the placement of the York Lake toll booth being placed on a portion of range road 2042 and township road 253; that Council is now directing that the toll booth be moved off of range road 2042.

Carried.

Pleasant Avenue Road Allowance:

216/23 **Trost:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the complaint of the Pleasant Avenue road allowance being farmed and that they are aware of ongoing concerns and are working towards a solution.

Carried.

East Central Municipal Association:

217/23 **Effa:** That the Council approves of becoming a member of the East Central Municipal Association appointing myself, Division 5 Councilor and the Administrator to attend the next regular meeting.

Carried.

Employee Holiday Requests:

Mehling: That the following employee holidays are approved:
K. Zamonsky – July 10-14, 24-28, July 31 to August 6, August 21-27,
D. Fink – July 23 and
J. Decker – Ratify: May 23, Approve July 12-14, August 22-28.

Carried.

Admin./Reeve

Administrative Reports

List of Accounts for Approval:

219/23 **Protz:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:

EFT numbers 1011 – 1039 \$67,275.19, INT numbers 785 – 793 \$53,850.59,

Cheque numbers 11170-11200 \$21,359.97 and

Payroll totaling \$27,622.49.

Carried.

Additional Payment:

220/23 **Effa:** That Administration be authorized to add to the List of Accounts a reimbursement for overpaid dust suppressant in the amount of \$1,272.00 (issued cheque 11200).

Carried.

Financial Reports:

221/23 **Mehling:** That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of May and the bank reconciliations for the months of May 2023 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.

Willowbrook Water Reports:

222/23 Kriger: That Council acknowledges receipt of the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and

Environmental Analysis for the month of May and that they be filed.

Carried.

Correspondence:

223/23 **Protz:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed:

APAS Updates (emailed),

Bylaw Enforcement Report (emailed),

Melville Fire Department, Boundary change (emailed),

Parkland Regional Park Board Update (emailed),

P.B.I. Report (emailed),

RCMP Monthly Report (emailed),

SARM - Monthly Update and Plant Health Network Newsletter (emailed) , and

Yorkton Chamber of Commerce letter regarding Grain Millers Road (emailed).

Carried.

Adjourn:

224/23 Trost: That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 3:20 p.m.

Carried.

Reeve, Randy Trost

Administrator, Bridgette MacDonald

Admin./Reeve