Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held Thursday the 13th Day of July 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

Absent:

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 the previous meeting 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.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councilor arrived at 8:07 a.m.

Minutes:

255/23 **Mehling:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Thursday, June 11, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried.

In-Camera:

256/23 **Mehling:** That the Regular Meeting of Council be closed for an in-camera session at 8:09a.m. a.m. to discuss possible future purchasing.

Carried.

257/23 Trost: That the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 8:12 a.m.

Carried.

258/23 **Trost:** That the Regular Meeting of Council be recessed for the Public Hearing for the discretionary use of establishing a communication tower at PT NW 10-25-04-W2, Parcel A, Plan 1020288515 at 9:02 a.m.

Carried.

The Council acknowledges that there is no one in attendance nor have any written submissions been provided in regards to the discretionary use of establishing a communication tower at PT NW 10-25-04-W2, Parcel A, Plan 1020288515.

259/23 Trost: That the Public Hearing be adjourned and the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 9:04 a.m.

Carried.

Unfinished/New Business:

Development:

Application to Rezone PT NE 21-25-04-W2:

260/23 Charney: That the Council support the application to rezone PT NE 21-25-04-W2 from agricultural to low density country residential and direct Administration to start the process to amend Bylaw No. 4-2015, a Bylaw known as the Zoning Bylaw to allow for more than a 12 lot density in all low density country residential areas.

Defeated.

Application to Establish Veterinary Service PT NE 14-26-04-W2:

261/23 **Protz:** That the Council has considered the condition of the internal service road and approves the discretionary use of establishing a Veterinary Clinic at PT NE 14-26-04-W2, Parcel A, Plan 82Y06685 with no conditions.

Carried.

Admin /Reeve

Subdivisions:

Residential Subdivision PT SW 28-25-05-W2:

262/23 Effa: That the application to subdivide a 14.00-acre residential lot on PT SW 28-25-05-W2 is not recommended for approval as it contravenes section 7.5 and does not meet the requirements of section 7.9.7 of Bylaw No. 4-2015, a bylaw known as the Zoning Bylaw and there are concerns over long term access to the existing and proposed parcels.

Carried.

Residential Subdivision SW 16-25-05-W2:

263/23 **Kriger:** That the application to subdivide a 21.00-acre residential lot on PT SW 16-25-05-W2 is not recommended for approval as it contravenes section 7.5 and does not meet the requirements of section 7.9.7 of Bylaw No. 4-2015, a bylaw known as the Zoning Bylaw.

Carried

Agricultural Subdivision PT SE 32-25-06-W2:

Mehling: That the Council recommends the approval of the proposed 40-acre Agricultural subdivision on PT SE 32-25-06-W2, being Parcel C, with the condition that an access approach be constructed, in accordance to the R.M.'s approach permit standards.

Carried.

Discretionary Use: Communication Tower: PT NW 10-25-04-W2, Parcel A, Plan 102088515

Charney: That the discretionary use application for establishing a communication tower on PT NW 10-25-04-W2, Parcel A, Plan 102088515 is approved including the variance on the set back of the rear fence due to the existing physical lay out of the pre-existing yard site and with the condition that the RM will register an interest on title reflecting that the use approval is for the same term in the original lease agreement and that the land owner and contractor are responsible for maintaining their own access to the tower at their sole expense.

Carried.

General:

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

Maksymiw: That further to resolution 214/23, stating that the Reeve would contact Parrish and Heimbecker Ltd. to get some clarification on the location and installation of the culvert located at highway 9 and NE 24-27-04-W2; it has been determined that the culvert is within the Ministry of Highways right-of-way, the R.M. of Orkney No. 244 has no jurisdiction in this matter.

Carried.

Ministry of Highways Speed Zone Change By Willowbrook:

267/23 **Mehling:** That Council acknowledge receipt of and are in support of the Ministry of Highways reducing the speed just outside of the unorganized hamlet area of Willowbrook, SK being reduced to 60 kilometers an hour.

Carried.

Civic Addressing Signs:

268/23 **Effa:** That in conjunction with the 2023 budget Administration is to order blue civic address signs focusing on residential active areas.

Carried.

Complaints/Request Forms

Rock Thrown from Private Mower (Smuk):

269/23 **Protz:** That the R.M. of Orkney will not be reimbursing for any costs for rocks thrown from private mowers.

Carried.

Ebenezer Fire Department Donation:

270/23 **Effa:** That the Council may consider the request for a donation to the Ebenezer Fire Department to construct an addition to the Ebenezer Fire Hall in the 2024 budget year providing that more details are provided in regards to actual costs and more specific donation request is provided.

Carried.



Employee Holiday Requests:

271/23 Charney: That the following employee holidays requests are approved:

D. Fink August 18 and

J. Decker no longer taking the following holiday days: July 12 and 13 and August 22 and 23.

Carried.

Employee Resignation:

272/23 **Effa:** That Council acknowledge the resignation of E. Ereth-Matieyshen effective July 2, 2023 and authorize the Administrator to hire a full-time replacement within the budget as discussed verbally.

Carried.

Full-Time Seasonal Mower Operator:

273/23 **Trost:** That the Council authorizes the hiring of K. Ruf as a full-time mower operator with a wage of \$30.00 per hour working a four-day work week with a flexible work schedule for the remainder of July and full-time hours to commence August 1, 2023 with a six-month probationary period.

Carried.

Administrative Reports

List of Accounts for Approval:

274/23 **Protz:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:

EFT numbers 1040 – 1067 \$93,502.92,

INT numbers 794 – 802 \$73,375.29,

Cheque numbers 11201-11226 \$689,330.29 and

Payroll totaling \$30,927.88.

Carried.

Stop Payment and Re-Issue Payments:

275/23 **Charney:** That, as not one, May Regular Council Meeting authorized cheque that were mailed have been received from any vendor or cleared the bank that Administration be authorized to place a stop payment and re-issue all cheques (original cheques were numbers 11155 – 11167 totaling \$8,845.02; reissued cheques numbers are 11227-11239).

Carried.

Financial Reports:

276/23 **Effa:** That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of June 2023 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.

Willowbrook Water Reports:

277/23 **Mehling:** That Council acknowledges receipt of the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and Environmental Analysis for the month of June and that they be filed.

Carried.

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Iax	Enforcement:

278/23	Charney: That Taxervice be authorized under s22(1) of The Tax Enforcement Act after
	June 28, 2023 to commence proceedings to request title with respect to the following
	described lands:

Roll	178	BLK/PAR Y-PLAN 87Y07334 EXT 18
Roll	179	BLK/PAR Z-PLAN 87Y07334 EXT 17
Roll	241.35	LOT 2-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN 101958060 EXT 0
Roll	544	NW 22-25-06-2 EXT 0
Roll	1179	BLK/PAR B-PLAN 101675460 EXT 1
Roll	1236	SW 11-27-04-2 EXT 0
Roll	1872	LOT 7-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN T1213 EXT 0
		LOT 8-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN T1213 EXT 0
Roll	1873	LOT 9-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN T1213 EXT 0
Roll	1920.1	LOT 10-BLK/PAR 6-PLAN 102082834 EXT 0
Roll	1956.1	LOT 6-BLK/PAR 11-PLAN 101974877 EXT 0
Roll	2135	LOT 4-BLK/PAR 5-PLAN AT3129 EXT 0
Roll	2136	LOT 5-BLK/PAR 5-PLAN AT3129 EXT 0
Roll	2145	BLK/PAR 1-PLAN AQ5751 EXT 60

Carried.

Outstanding Accounts Receivable:

279/23 **Protz:** That Council approves removing the following outstanding uncollectable receivable invoices:

01-2021 \$15,230.22 08-2021 \$12,691.85 and 11-2021 \$5,186.52.

Carried.

Policy Committee:

280/23 **Mehling:** That the Council appoint the Administration and the following Division Councillors to form the policy committee:

Matt Charney, Division 1, Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 and Vern Effa, Division 5.

Carried.

Correspondence:

281/23 **Protz:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed:

APAS Updates (emailed),

Bylaw Enforcement Report (emailed),

NAMS Canada - Council Asset Management Training (emailed),

RCMP Monthly Report (emailed) and

SARM – Monthly Update (emailed).

Carried.

Adjourn:

282/23 Trost: That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 11:36 a.m.

Carried.

Reeve, Randy Trost

Administrator, Bridgette Mael

Admin./Reeve