



# Rural Municipality of St. Laurent

Regular Council Meeting

September 25, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

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## AMENDED AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
  
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA (att.)
  
3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (att.)
  - Regular Meeting Minutes – September 4, 2019
  
4. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - CAO
  - MEC
  - EDO
  - Public Works
  - Fire Department
  - Rec Commission
  - Phil Mathews
  - Jerry Combot
  - Frank Bruce
    - o Christmas Lights
  - Laurent Kerbrat
  - Cheryl Smith
    - o Media Report
  
5. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS
  - Council Expenses & Indemnity
  - Accounts Payable to September 24, 2019
  - ~~— Addition of Fire Department Member~~
  - Offer to purchase Zodiac Boat (att.)
  - ~~— Fire Department Pump~~
  - Coffee Services

## **6. ZONING AND SUBDIVISIONS**

### Public Hearings:

- 10:45 a.m. Public Hearing – Application for Variation VSTL-06-19 from Gerhard Engel and Johanna Engel (att.)

### Regular Matters:

- None

### Notices:

- None

## **7. DELEGATIONS**

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  - ~~Financial Statement Approval~~

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## **10. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION/MINUTES FROM OTHERS (att.)**

### Correspondence/Information:

- Prairie Rose S.D. Meeting Highlights – Sept. 9, 2019

### Minutes:

- St. Laurent Co-operative Recreation Centre Inc. – Aug. 22, 2019
- Community Futures West Interlake – June 19, 2019
- Prairie Rose S.D. Meeting – Aug. 26, 2019

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— Personnel

- Public Works – TDA hauling invoice
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- Legal
  - Scrap and Steel
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**12. ADJOURN**



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**MINUTES**

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Cheryl Smith, Councillors Laurent Kerbrat, Phil Mathews and Jerry Combot, and CAO Hilda Zotter.

Regrets: Councillor Frank Bruce

**Call to Order**

Reeve Cheryl Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Res #278/2019 Mathews - Kerbrat  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for today's date be hereby adopted as amended.

....Carried

**Adoption of Minutes**

Res #279/2019 Mathews - Combot  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of:  
- Regular Meeting Minutes – August 14, 2019  
be hereby adopted.

....Carried

## Committee Reports:

### CAO (Hilda Zotter)

- Advised the next step in the process of the Strategic Plan is to survey the Reeve, Council and Staff which will take place soon.
- Dillon Consulting has completed the lagoon survey and we should receive the results soon.
- The Christmas lights will be delivered this Thursday or Friday, brackets have been made, and just received the electrical quotes which will be reviewed later in the meeting.

### MEC (Paul Belair)

- Advised on the MHC door issues regarding the outside door not being insulated, Allmar will be shipping two replacement doors. Due to the door issues I had to asked for two extensions, June then end of September. Would like to coordinate Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> to do final install of doors, then finish the paint. Moulding to be replaced as it is patched currently. Will be washed and cleaned then inspected by Wayne. It is suggested that Council take a look at the MHC facility on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. before the Council meeting. This would allow the coordination with SCF to finish the paperwork and we can prepare a cheque to Lindell in the amount of \$30,000, and \$4,300 to SDO Architecture Inc. (formally Synyshyn Architecture). This will assist us to receive our funds back.

### EDO (Guy Dumont)

#### **Land Development/RFP:**

I attended the MMF Community Information meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>. We had previously received an indication from MMF on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, through their engineer, that they are ready to install a new, full waste water sewage line to the Manitoba Housing Lagoon and are working on recommendations regarding same.

In the interim, Manitoba Housing asked me for a confirmation that the RM of St. Laurent is still interested in acquiring the MHRC lagoon. I confirmed same, subject to the engineer's report and/or possible provincial regulatory restrictions. He will be contacting us next week for an informal meeting to further discuss the possibility of transferring the lagoon to the RM.

#### **Cold storage Building, Goodon Industries:**

After waiting 2 months for a response from Goodon Industries' engineer, I wrote to Goodon's on August 27<sup>th</sup> and indicated that we were anxious to settle accounts and begin to use our building as intended. Only yesterday did he forward to me the engineer's response letter from June 17<sup>th</sup>, which provides an addendum, basically accepting the nailing pattern on the columns as delivered by Goodon. In his email, he did not talk

about when they would be coming to rectify the previously confirmed deficiencies.

Seeking direction for next steps:

Now that we have received communication with Goodon in writing, we can safely move forward with filling it in with limestone, and Dean to obtain a quote for lighting of the building. This should be coordinated with Guy Dumont for inspection.

#### **Strategic Priority Plan**

We met with Mr. Ernie Epp of Way to go Consulting on July 30<sup>th</sup> and planned for a community consultation meeting, which was held on August 28<sup>th</sup> at the Rec Centre.

#### **New Business Inquiries**

I spoke with 2 individuals wanting to start Taxi businesses in the RM. Awaiting decision to inform them should the RM wish to enact a by-law for that purpose.

#### **Assisted Living Centre**

As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, I have assumed full administrative duties of the Assisted Living Centre, including tenant relations and turnovers, bookkeeping, Human Resource Management and Building Maintenance. This includes hands-on light maintenance.

#### **Grants for Road Repairs**

The Tire Stewardship of Manitoba grant was approved for \$20,000 for Ludovic Road rehabilitation. Work to begin this month.

#### **TDA deliveries**

I built a one cubic yard box at the waste transfer site to try and determine exactly the volume of Tire Derived Aggregate that was delivered as the weight indicated in the bills of lading suggest we have received considerably less cubic yards per load than what was quoted. We weighed the aggregate with Hilda and Waste Transfer site crew and found this to be the case. I later met with the company delivering and explained our concerns. We will meet with him again after he finishes assessing the information. He seems willing to work with us to arrive at a fair settlement.

#### **Metis Heritage Centre Policy Committee**

We have completed the draft version of the Policy and Procedures document and the committee is to meet one more time to approve the final draft that I have typed out, which will then be submitted to Council for your approval.

#### **Investing in Canadian Infrastructure Program (ICIP) grant application**

I have been working with CDEM officials and contract consultants in providing them with relevant information and documents to help us fill out the CDC's application for Phase 2 and possibly Phase 3 of the Metis Heritage Centre project.

#### **Sewage Lagoon**

Met with Dillon Consulting to arrange for preliminary estimates for dredging of sludge and a UV filtration system to enable us to apply for ICIP grants for both projects.

#### **Indigenous Sub Committee of the IERHA Board appointment**

I have accepted an appointment to the Indigenous Sub Committee of the IERHA.

#### Public Works (Dean Appleyard)

- After the rain all roads require grading
- All staff back from holidays
- Mower is currently out east
- White truck is running good
- Dumont has been contacted to preform the work required to place a few culverts
- Gravel will be going to Oak Point as discussed
- Chartrand Road needs to be done with cold patch, Dean to take a look at it and get some quotes on material.

#### Fire Department (Roger Leclerc)

- Obtained and reviewed the list of radios, it appears 1 will be compatible with the new system.
- Will be speaking with possible candidate for Deputy Fire Chief, will advise Council once decided.
- Fire Commissioner Reports are partially complete and expecting to meet with Matt next week to complete.

#### Rec Commission (Tammy Hiebert)

- Reviewed the summer programming which consisted of:  
Yoga, Mom and Tot yoga (1 to 5 years old) – will restart in fall  
Country Boot Camp - will restart in fall  
Country Boot Camp Mom & Tot – new and will start in the fall  
Youth night and ball hockey was not well attended  
Green Team Summer camp was slow in July however, August was busy  
Red Cross swimming program was well attended with 28 kids  
Roller blading started not bad but then dwindled  
Pickle ball was well attended
- Would like to apply for a grant for the rec area, playground and shelter, will meet on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> with an architect. It was noted to look at bathroom facilities near the recreation/ball area.

- Working with Laurentia Beach Association on trails for snow shoeing and cross country skiing; working on where to place the signs, and considering family outings which would include hot chocolate and hot dogs or something similar.

Cheryl attended the LBA corn roast and they indicated that they would like for us to invest in a play structure or something similar. The old equipment was removed due to safety issues. Tammy will look into possibilities and will report back.

- Working on putting together a Rec Commission meeting
- Cheryl and Council thanked Tammy for the great work she is doing for the community, it is appreciated.

#### Councillor Phil Mathews

- Attended the community club meeting, the floor grant was approved.
- Attended the WIPD meeting, tiny homes and guest homes are being looked at closely due to their popularity, and how to proceed with a by-law.

#### Councillor Jerry Combet

- Attended the August 12<sup>th</sup> Vet Board meeting in Lundar, mostly discussed the concerns in regards to the current drought. Also met on August 22<sup>nd</sup> with all areas of RM's and discussed declaring an agriculture disaster.
- Looked at renos, they look good, will be adding insulation through Manitoba Hydro incentive.
- Worked on brackets for the Christmas lights, they are now complete.

#### Councillor Frank Bruce

- None

#### Councillor Laurent Kerbrat

- The Senior's Feast was well attended
- Meeting with the Senior's Centre on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> to review financials
- Handivan meeting will take place on Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Conservation wants a meeting with Lake Francis sub-committee on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

#### Reeve Cheryl Smith

- Advised that Guy Dumont is now on the sub-committee with CancerCare Manitoba and IERHA initiative.



- CancerCare Manitoba public meeting will take place on October 1, 2019 in Council Chambers.
- Continuing on the Woodlands file, will go in-camera for legal information.
- Continue to meet with Hilda on various matters.

Media Report (Reeve Smith)

- None

## Finance & Accounts

Res #280/2019                      Mathews – Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts Payable to September 3, 2019, written under cheque numbers 27994 to 28034 and totaling \$156,659.55 be hereby approved for payment.

...Carried

Res #281/2019                      Combot – Kerbrat

WHEREAS ongoing training for staff is a benefit and asset to the RM, and builds the capacity of the RM's Staff.

AND WHEREAS a one-day HR Law is being held on October 28, 2019 in Winnipeg at a cost of \$249.00, plus GST.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize CAO Hilda Zotter to attend said seminar.

.....Carried

Res #282/2019                      Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the RM wishes to install Christmas Lights along the Veterans Memorial Roads in both Oak Point and St. Laurent.

WHEREAS quotes have been received for installation of power supply for Christmas lights on selected hydro poles.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the quote received from Richman Electric in the amount of \$761.25 plus applicable taxes for each pole.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT ten poles are to be done this year at that price.

.....Carried

### **Zoning and Subdivisions**

- None

### **Regular Matters:**

- None

### **Notices:**

- September 25, 2019 at 10:45 a.m. re Variation VSTL-06-19 Gerhard Engel and Johanna Engel – Height Variation located at the RM of St. Laurent, MB.

### **New and Unfinished Business**

Res #283/2019                      Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the Association des municipalités bilingues du Manitoba (AMBM) is holding their AGM and Strategic Planning Session on November 8 and 9, 2019 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Reeve Cheryl Smith and EDO Guy Dumont at the said event.

.....Carried

Res #284/2019                      Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the RM will undertake planning for the 2020 Manitoba 150 celebrations and wishes to form a planning committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve CAO Hilda Zotter, Reeve Cheryl Smith and the following Councilors to participate in the Manitoba 150 planning committee: Phil Mathews, Jerry Combot, Laurent Kerbrat, and Frank Bruce.

....Carried

### **Delegation**

11:00 a.m. WIWCD Linda Miller and Neil Brandstrom

- Provided a copy of Southwest Interlake Integrated Watershed Management Plan and "The Current" 2019 magazine to Council.
- Provided a summary sheet of their projects and the boundary changes.

- It was noted that those who do not join do not contribute and cannot participate in any projects.
- The AGM will now take place in January of each year vs October.
- Provided a summary of projects which most of funding going to Dog and Swan areas.
- Projects outlined were the Tree Program is doing very well, applied for funding for Conservation Trust (non-profit organizations). Received \$20,000 for 2018 and has applied for \$150,000 for 2019.
- Grow Funding Farmers to assist with keeping wetlands.
- Well Inventory Program, \$1000 well sealing program.
- Presentations to schools by Oak Hammock, Grades 1-6 programming, and Green Kids go to various schools on environmental issues.
- They hold a Water Festival which moves around to various locations that are centralized for schools in each area. They have a number of stations for the students which include, but limited to trapping, water simulation etc.
- Strongly asked if there were any suggestions to bring them forward.
- Cheryl asked if our Rec Commission Director, Tammy would be able to come to them with ideas for external funding in regards to their walking trail, and they are very welcome to the idea.
- Cheryl also asked if they can assist with the Beaver population, they had indicated that this is done strictly by the Province. They can however, provide trapper workshops to landowners so that they can control the problems themselves. They also have a predator workshop that may be of some use.
- Cheryl thanked them for attending and enjoys them coming each year with the important information they provide.

### **New and Unfinished Business – Cont'd**

Recorded Vote

Res #285/2019

Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the lack of volume and frequency of precipitation in 2019 has caused incorrigible damage to the agriculture industry within the R.M. of St. Laurent and Interlake region; and

WHEREAS moisture accumulations, to date, are 40 to 60% of normal; and

WHEREAS hay yields are coming in at 20 to 60% of average production; and

WHEREAS dugouts and wells are drying up and water quality is a growing concern. Water supply is rated as 30 to 40% adequate; and  
WHEREAS farmers are being forced to sell their livestock because of the high cost of providing feed and water; and  
WHEREAS there is an increasing desperation among the farmers in the R.M. of St. Laurent as they continue to watch the lack of precipitation inhibit the 2019 farming year; and  
WHEREAS these drought conditions have extreme economic impacts on all sectors of the Agriculture industry;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council declare a State of Agricultural Disaster within the R.M. of St. Laurent; and  
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request immediate assistance be provided through provincial and/or federal programs to those in our Agricultural industry affected by current drought conditions.

....Carried

For: Phil Mathews, Cheryl Smith, Laurent Kerbrat, Jerry Combot

Against:

Abstained:

Res #286/2019                      Kerbrat - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint Hilda Zotter, CAO and Jerry Combot, Councilor of the RM of St. Laurent for the Hay/Feed Disaster committee for the Interlake Region to attend any upcoming meetings on the issue.

....Carried

Res #287/2019                      Mathews - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT there be only one regular council meeting for the month of October 2019 namely:

- Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

....Carried

Res #288/2019                      Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) is holding their AGM on Monday, October 7, 2019 in St. Laurent, Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Reeve Cheryl Smith, EDO Guy Dumont and ACAO/MEC Paul Belair at the said event.

....Carried

Res #289/2019 Mathews - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the Sandpiper Association is hosting their AGM at the Church Parish Hall on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

AND WHEREAS the Reeve and Council members has received an invitation to attend.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Reeve Cheryl Smith, and Laurent Kerbrat at the said event.

....Carried

### Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res #290/2019 Combot - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole in Camera.

.....Carried

Res #291/2019 Combot - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee rise and that Council reconvene once again.

.....Carried

Recorded Vote

Res #292/2019 Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the RM of Woodlands, its residents, and their contractors are using the RM of St. Laurent's paved Venice Road South to access the RM of Woodlands area south known as Twin Lakes Beach Road in the R.M of Woodlands causing wear and tear and damages to the paved road known as Venice Road South.

AND WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent will have no recourse but to place road restriction of 75% of normal axle load weight for all twelve months of the year on the access road running east/west known as Twin Beach Road from the four-way stop east to Venice Road South, and all of Venice Road South in an attempt to maintain and protect the paved roads.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT road restrictions be placed on the above-named roads immediately.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT applicable by-laws be amended to reflect the above and that Council explore options such as installation of toll, user fees, etc.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all of Council of the RM of St. Laurent extends invitation to all of Council of the RM of Woodlands for an urgent meeting on this matter.

.....Carried

### Correspondence/Information/Minutes from Others

#### Correspondence/Information:

- Response to RM letter dated August 19, re Hay Prices in the Interlake:  
The Honourable Brian Pallister, Premier of Manitoba  
The Honourable Ralph Eichler, Minister of Agriculture
- Response to RM letter dated August 19, re Hay Prices in the Interlake:  
Dori Gingera-Beauchemin, Deputy Minister of Agriculture
- Declaration of Agricultural Emergency Interlake and a guide to AgriRecovery
- Summer Update from Laurentia Beach Association Executive
- Prairie Rose School Division Meeting Highlights – August 26, 2019

#### Minutes:

- Prairie Rose School Division Board Meeting Minutes – June 17, 2019
- WIWCD Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2019
- WIPD Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2019

### Adjourn

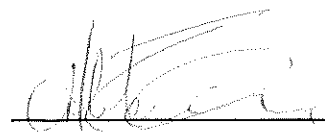
Res #293/2019

Mathews - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 12:08 p.m.

.....Carried

  
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Reeve

  
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CAO



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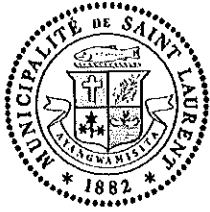


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**Call to Order**

Reeve Cheryl Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Res #294/2019 Mathews - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for today's date be hereby adopted as amended.

....Carried

**Adoption of Minutes**

Res #295/2019 Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of:

- Regular Meeting Minutes – September 4, 2019  
be hereby adopted.

....Carried

**Committee Reports:**

CAO (Hilda Zotter)

- Getting busy with taxes being due on October 31, 2019.
- Reminder that on October 1, 2019 Public meeting regarding the CancerCare initiative to be held at the St. Laurent Co-operative Recreation Centre at 7:00 p.m.

- Cheryl reminded Council that it is important to attend and spread the word to the community to attend. Feed back will be extremely important to provide the CancerCare steering committee. This will allow them to assist in what duties are required for the position.
- Currently working on the supplemental taxes which are due to go out on October 4, 2019, last year received 32, this year a total of 64, it shows that the community is growing.

MEC (Paul Belair)

- None

EDO (Guy Dumont)

- None

Public Works (Dean Appleyard)

- Mowing is all done at various locations
- Grader is out on all the roads
- Road patching is taking place, require more material will look into getting more
  - Council suggested that they need to be packed, next budget will look at proper packing equipment
- Cutting brush around signs, cleaned up Meindl Park sign as best as possible
- Placed a load of gravel at the Metis Heritage Centre parking lot, and graded
- Removed the letter board and placed at the shop for repair
- Placed gravel in the new building
- Had a request for a bombardier road sign on Bruce Road, currently out of signs, suggested to purchase 4 more in the event of further requests.
- Grotto area, fallen trees, unable to walk – Public works will clean it up with the assistance of Jerry Combot
- Porta Potty's have been removed from the public beach area, considering storing them in the new building if there is space

Fire Department (Roger Leclerc)

- None

Rec Commission (Tammy Hiebert)

- None

#### Councillor Phil Mathews

- Attended the community club meeting, the floor grant was approved, floor should take place in November.
- Attended the WIPD meeting, will require a by-law meeting
  - Cheryl reminded Council that there will be a shuffle in November of each portfolios

#### Councillor Jerry Combot

- Assisted the arena with pump
- Will look into a new furnace at the WTS

#### Councillor Frank Bruce

- Attended the WIPD meeting

#### Councillor Laurent Kerbrat

- Will be attending the Handivan meeting coming up

#### Reeve Cheryl Smith

- Attended the Sandpiper AGM, concerns raised:
  - Constant quads going through the public access on Eco Bay. This will be brought to the next Public Works meeting.
  - Request both schools to have their buses adhering to the speed limits. RM will send a letter to the schools.
  - Sandpiper Association requested if the RM would allow them to put up a bulletin board at the big tree park.
  - Asked if the RM can send out a reminder to residents that burning barrels are only allowed on their property, not on the marsh side.
  - Requested if the RM can discuss to have a controlled burn on the marsh in early spring, as done in the past.
- September 11<sup>th</sup> – Reviewed the survey for the Strategic Plan
- Met with landowner to discuss a very early business plan for development
- Met to discuss Fire department restructure
- Attended the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting regarding Manitoba 150, very good meeting, great ideas, deadline is approaching for funding.
- Looked at the AA building to review the structure and possibility of the Rec Commission being able to use the building.
- Meeting at the St. Laurent Co-operative Recreation Centre on September 26<sup>th</sup>
- As the RM wishes to have a community wellness gathering place, Council reviewed the possibility of using the Welcome Centre space, which is on the agenda.

Media Report (Reeve Smith)  
 - None

**Finance & Accounts**

Res #296/2019                      Mathews – Kerbrat  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities for September 2019 and Expenses for August 2019 be approved as follows:

	Cheryl Smith	Phil Mathews	Frank Bruce	Laurent Kerbrat	Jerry Combot
Indemnity	1000.00	800.00	900.00	800.00	800.00
Hourly	475.00	200.00	100.00	112.50	125.00
Conference	-	-	-	-	-
Mileage	152.50	49.00	14.00	-	80.00
Blue Cross (BC)	-384.38	-153.56	-384.38	-384.38	-384.38
BC (paid by RM)	384.38	153.56	384.38	384.38	384.38
CPP Deduction	-60.35	-36.13	-36.13	-	-32.30
Fed/Prov Tax ded	-349.70	-17.46	-17.46	-220.15	0.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1217.45</b>	<b>995.41</b>	<b>960.41</b>	<b>692.35</b>	<b>972.70</b>

...Carried

Res #297/2019                      Bruce – Combot  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts Payable to September 24, 2019, written under cheque numbers 28035 to 28106 and totaling \$105,266.73 be hereby approved for payment.

.....Carried

Res #298/2019 Mathews - Bruce

WHEREAS the RM has previously advertised for offers on the Zodiac boat, its motor and its trailer (as a package) with no success.

AND WHEREAS an offer to purchase in the amount of \$5,500.00 for the package, (pending the inspection and motor testing) has been received from Alan Huyghe on August 12, 2019.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the sale of the Zodiac boat, motor and trailer (pending the inspection and motor testing at the buyer's expense) in the amount of \$5,500.00 plus applicable taxes.

WHEREAS quotes have been received for installation of power supply for Christmas lights on selected hydro poles.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the quote received from Richman Electric in the amount of \$761.25 plus applicable taxes for each pole.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT ten poles are to be done this year at that price.

.....Carried

Res #299/2019 Combot - Kerbrat

WHEREAS community well-being is an important component of the RM's new strategic plan.

AND WHEREAS offering a complimentary coffee service in the Welcome Centre along with seating area would be a part of the community well-being strategy.

AND WHEREAS Council and staff have reviewed the viability of such and feel this would be well-received by the community.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the initiative and authorize staff to proceed with procuring a coffee service, supplies, counter space, tables and chairs, and associated electrical and water access.

....Carried

#### **TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS**

Res #300/2019 Combot - Bruce

WHEREAS the drainage ditch running through two properties with legal

description of PL5 OP362 in Oak Point, (one property owned by James Phillip Mathews and Debra Lynn Stewart, and the other owned by Lloyd Cameron Breckman and Jerilynne Enid Breckman) requires some work to function properly.

AND WHEREAS the RM has received a quote in the amount of \$4,725.00 (which includes applicable taxes) from Dumont Bros. Contracting Ltd.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the quote given by Dumont Bros. and that work may commence as soon as possible.

....Carried

Res #301/2019                      Mathews - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the RM has identified the borrow pit owned by Peter Shoup as the suitable location for a dry fire hydrant in Oak Point.

AND WHEREAS the borrow pit is located along Pritchard Avenue, and an approach to the pit will need to be build by the RM.

AND WHEREAS a quote has been received by Dumont Bros. Contracting in the amount of \$2,940.00 (which includes applicable taxes) for the building of the approach, not including a culvert, which the RM is to provide.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the quote given by Dumont Bros.

....Carried

### **New and Unfinished Business**

Res #302/2019                      Mathews - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Council Members, CAO and public works foreman to attend the 2019 Association of Manitoba Municipalities Conference being held in Brandon, Manitoba, from November 25 to November 27, 2019 inclusive.

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve remuneration of out of pocket expenses directly related to their attendance at the AMM Convention.

.....Carried

Res #303/2019

Combot - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the Association of Bilingual Municipalities (AMBM) provides funding to the RM towards bilingual initiatives in the amount of \$8,500.00 per annum. BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of St. Laurent can confirm that it has designated and filled one of the Assistant CAO positions as bilingual, and has also designated and filled the full-time Economic Development position. The RM can further confirm that the monthly newsletter is issued in both English and French.

....Carried

Res #304/2019

Mathews - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the St. Laurent Parish Hall has invited the Reeve, Cheryl Smith to serve at the fall supper on Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Reeve, Cheryl Smith attendance at said event.

....Carried

### Zoning and Subdivisions

Res #305/2019

Mathews - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn into the scheduled public hearing.

....Carried

### Public Hearing:

10:45 a.m. re Variation VSTL-06-19 Gerhard Engel and Johanna Engel – Height Variation located at the RM of St. Laurent, MB.

The Chair, Reeve Smith read out the Welcome and Produces. Cherie Millar of WIPD was absent, Hilda Zotter, CAO read out the proposal and provided proof of notice. Proposal is to allow the variation of the height of the garage from 15ft to 24ft to comply with the zoning by-law. Read two letters from neighbors in support of the garage.

Comment from Gerhard Engel for reason of the design was to provide extra storage vs a number of various sheds on his property.



Councillor Laurent Kerbrat asked about the location, Mr. Engel in response advised that they chose to built it closer to the road in order not to obstruct anyone's view of the lake.

No objections raised from anyone.

Res #306/2019                      Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the public hearing close and that Council reconvene into regular meeting agenda.

....Carried

Regular Matters:

Res #307/2019                      Mathews - Kerbrat

WHEREAS Variation Application No. VSTL-06-19 was received from owners and applicants Gerhard Engel and Johanna Engel in regards to property located at Lot 4, Block 1, Plan 26869, Venice Road North in the R.M. of St. Laurent, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS the said variation application is to allow height variation from 15ft to 24ft for the construction of a garage to comply with the zoning by-law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve said variation.

....Carried

Notices:

- None

Delegations

10:55 a.m. Frida Krpan

- Provided Council with year tax comparison.
- Indicated Government programs to assist farmers are really not doing so, as there are funds attached to these programs which most farmers just cannot afford. Example provided is the dug outs; the cost can be \$20,000 and the program will only pay half, which leaves farmers with a cost of \$10,000.
- Indicated that there was a mill rate decrease for those who were flooded in 2011.

- Suggest the RM should consider a separate mill rate specific to actual farmers.
- It was indicated that she will be providing the same presentation to the School Board.

**11:05 a.m. Auditor’s Report – Draft 2018 Consolidated Financial Statements**

Presentation by Robert Weighell, CGA- Auditor for the R.M. of St. Laurent

Robert congratulated Council and staff for a job well done, that no discrepancies were noted, and no concerns highlighted. The RM is in accordance with the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAB) with a surplus of \$362,784.

Cheryl thanked Robert for his continued work through the process.

**Committee of the Whole in Camera**

Res #308/2019                      Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole in Camera.

.....Carried

Res #309/2019                      Mathews - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee rise and that Council reconvene once again.

.....Carried

Res #310/2019                      Bruce – Combot

WHEREAS the tax sale of properties in arrears has been set for Friday, December 6, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the R.M. Council Chambers.

WHEREAS owners of four properties have been served with notice by Taxervice.

AND WHEREAS if the RM is interested in acquiring any of the properties and if a bid is to be made over the reserve bid, the RM is to appoint a designated officer to bid on its behalf.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT person designated to bid on the RM’s behalf is Phil Mathews; Frank Bruce and Jerry Combot as alternates.

....Carried

Res #311/2019

Mathews – Combot

WHEREAS the RM's draft Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2018, have been completed by the RM's auditor, Robert Weighell, and have been received and reviewed by Council.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the 2018 draft Consolidated Financial Statements as prepared by the Municipal Auditor.

....Carried

Res #312/2019

Mathews – Combot

WHEREAS the RM has identified the borrow pit owned by Peter Shoup as the suitable location for a dry fire hydrant in Oak Point.

AND WHEREAS the borrow pit is located at PL4 OP362, in Oak Point, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS the RM has obtained legal advice and an easement agreement is to be entered into and filed at Land Titles under the direction of legal counsel.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the CAO to proceed with the above.

....Carried

### Correspondence/Information/Minutes from Others

#### Correspondence/Information:

- Prairie Rose S.D. Meeting Highlights – Sept. 9, 2019

#### Minutes:

- St. Laurent Co-operative Recreation Centre Inc. – Aug. 22, 2019
- Community Futures West Interlake – June 19, 2019
- Prairie Rose S.D. Meeting – Aug. 26, 2019

**Adjourn**


Res #313/2019

Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 12:28 p.m.

.....Carried

  
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Reeve

  
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