



## Rural Municipality of St. Laurent

Regular Meeting

October 5, 2016

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### AMENDED AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Confirmation of Minutes
  - Minutes of September 21, 2016 Regular Meeting
4. Finance & Accounts
  - Accounts Payable to October 5, 2016
  - Rec Commission – Notice to Reader
  - ALC – computer replacement
  - ALC – funding request
  - Canada 150 Celebration – deposit for band
  - Community Futures – Regional Strategy Meeting – October 6, 2016 Lundar, MB
5. Committee Reports
  - Tom Johnson
  - Monte Carrier
  - Frank Bruce
  - Laurent Kerbrat
  - Cheryl Smith
  - Media Report
  - CAO
  - MEC
  - EDO
  - Public Works
  - Fire Department
  - Rec Commission
6. Zoning & Subdivisions
  - None

7. Delegations

- None

8. Transportation & Public Works

- Public works – Culvert saw

9. New & Unfinished Business

- None

10. Correspondence/Minutes from others

Correspondence:

- None

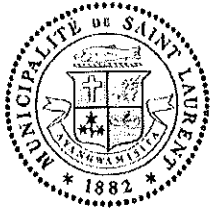
Minutes:

- St. Laurent Seniors Resource Council – Board Meeting- August 23, 2016
- IERHA – Board of Directors Meeting – August 25, 2016
- WIWCD – Executive Board Meeting – August 29, 2016
- Prairie Rose School Division – Board Meeting – September 19, 2016

11. Committee of the Whole in Camera

- Legal
- Public Works

12. Adjourn



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**MINUTES**

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on October 5, 2016 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Deputy Reeve Frank Bruce, Councillors Monte Carrier, Tom Johnson and Laurent Kerbrat, and CAO Hilda Zotter.

Absent: Reeve Cheryl Smith

Deputy Reeve Frank Bruce called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Call to Order**

**Res #348/2016                      Johnson - Kerbrat**

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

**....Carried**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Res #349/2016                      Carrier - Kerbrat**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2016 be hereby adopted as circulated.

**....Carried**

**Finance & Accounts Payable**

**Res #350/2016**

**Kerbrat - Carrier**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Accounts Payable to October 5, 2016 written under cheque numbers 24958 to 24993 and totaling \$43,312.45 be hereby approved for payment.

**....Carried**

**Res #351/2016**

**Kerbrat - Carrier**

**WHEREAS** the St. Laurent and District Recreation Commission is to provide the RM with yearly Financial Statements in order that the RM's own yearly audit in the form of a Consolidated Financial Statement can be completed in a timely manner.

**AND WHEREAS** the Rec Commission further requires financial statements be done by an auditor for the fiscal years April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 and April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016.

**AND WHEREAS** it has been determined that a Notice to Reader instead of Audited Financial Statements would satisfy the requirements of both the RM and the Province.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** the RM has received a quote for preparation of the two fiscal years Notice to Reader from the RM's auditor, Robert Weighell, in the amount of \$1,675.80 including applicable taxes.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the quote as set out herein.

**....Carried**

**Res #352/2016**

**Johnson - Carrier**

**WHEREAS** the computer at the Assisted Living Centre is in need of replacement.

**AND WHEREAS** the price of a laptop computer is \$993.08 including tax.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize the expenditure of \$993.08 from the ALC budget line for a new laptop for use by the administrator of the ALC.

**....Carried**

**Res #353/2016**

**Johnson - Carrier**

**WHEREAS** the St. Laurent Assisted Living Centre (ALC) has requested funding from the 2016 ALC budget to assist with its operations.

**AND WHEREAS** the ALC has provided financial information and the CAO has reviewed the request.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize the payment of \$2,500.00 from the ALC budget line to the St. Laurent Assisted Living Centre.

...Carried

**Res #354/2016**                      **Carrier - Kerbrat**

**WHEREAS** the 2017 Canada 150 Celebration Planning Committee discussed various options for music entertainment in its meeting of August 24, 2016.

**AND WHEREAS** it was agreed that, besides arranging local entertainers, to book the music group, PopVegas, for the entertainment set between 8:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. at the Canada 150 celebration dance at the St. Laurent Arena for July 1, 2017.

**AND WHEREAS** the said group has confirmed that it is available on that date for a fee of \$3,000 and requires a deposit for \$1,500 and signed contract by October 18, 2016.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the quote as set out herein, authorize the CAO to sign the contract, and authorize the disbursement of the deposit of \$1,500.00.

....Carried

**Res #355/2016**                      **Johnson - Kerbrat**

**WHEREAS** Community Futures has invited the R.M. of St. Laurent to the West Interlake Regional Strategy Meeting scheduled for October 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Lundar, Manitoba.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize the attendance of Councillors Monte Carrier and Laurent Kerbrat at said meeting.

....Carried

### Committee Reports

#### Councillor Tom Johnson's Report

- Attended Handivan Meeting – the van is going out a bit more now. An application for grant is being submitted for a new van, possibly a smaller one like a Dodge Caravan type idea. Still looking for drivers. They get a fair number of calls but can be unaffordable for one person to take to the City for an appointment whereas a group is quite affordable. Checking for other funding and assistance.

#### Councillor Monte Carrier's Report

- Resumed CDC meetings on October 4, 2016. There are some requests from CDC:
  - Letter handed to Council/CAO – request to meet with council.
  - Revisiting Volunteer Appreciation Day – provided proposed poster and budget of \$5300 for approval by the RM which approval has been tabled for review.
- Community Futures Meeting to be attended by Tiffany who will also join the financial review committee prior to the meeting.

#### Councillor Frank Bruce's Report

- Continued requests to Ministry of Infrastructure to repair PR643.

#### Councillor Laurent Kerbrat's Report

- Attended Handivan meeting.
- Attended Rec Centre meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>; next meeting on November 1.
- Had culvert install work done on Governor Road south and attended to other culvert replacement.
- Rec Commission – Rec Director, Jane Chartrand, has resigned. Will meet with Rec Commission to discuss further.

*We thank Jane Chartrand for her years of service as Recreation Director of the St. Laurent and District Recreation Commission, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.*

#### Reeve Cheryl Smith's Report

- None at this time - Absent

#### Media Report (Reeve Smith)

- None at this time.

#### CAO (Hilda Zotter) report:

- Since the last meeting attended the roundtable infrastructure strategy discussions in Brandon with Cheryl and Monte. It was interesting to see the challenges other RMs faced and to talk about funding needs. The whole

practice in the end was to see what grants and funding within similar topics could be streamlined into one basket.

- Work on more DFA claims – only a few more left to do.
- Lagoon test has come back with unfavorable results however another sample is being submitted this week to the lab and to be run under a different type of test.
- Supplementary taxes now mailed out. Only a little under \$15,000 in supplemental taxes from this batch. 2017 preliminary tax roll is also available for viewing in the office now. Deadline to submit appeals is November 1. Board of Revision will sit on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

MEC (Leslie Bruce) report:

- Continued work on culvert coordinates with GPS.
- Continued work on civic addressing with Peter of Datalink and then going from lot to lot to see what numbers are missing and what needs to be ordered for installation in spring. Numbers should now all be assigned to properties – will have to budget for additional posts and signs.
- Sent out flyers to recruit volunteers for Emergency Preparedness.
- Canada 150 Celebrations Committee – PopVegas is booked as the main set; Serge Carriere to sing the National Anthem. Looking into options for fireworks display.
- Communications with Lundar and Woodlands to see if they would be interested in another EMR course. We are in need of more EMRs.
- Went to MFR meeting with Real on October 4<sup>th</sup> with Real. There will be a lot more training and skills upkeep for EMRs.

EDO (Tiffany Desjarlais) report:

- Continued work on design of Community Sign. Still need confirmation of funding to cover costs.
- Canada 150 Celebration – putting together a draft budget for the event and have applied to four grants to cover expenses. One grant is for a bingo event – so far six volunteers have come forward to come work a bingo.
- Application to Community Places and Partners 4 Growth for tables and chairs and a storage facility.
- Had the St. Laurent Metis Interpretive Centre Community Consultation Meeting on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.

- Applied to Accessibility Fund for handicap door at Welcome Centre, however the grant deadline has now passed but is flagged for next intake.
- Museum Assistance Program has a grant that would assist in design of display cases, however it was advised by both the consultant and MAP that it was a bit too soon to apply for this grant and was best to wait until building project was a little further along. This is also flagged for possibly the next intake.
- Still waiting on word from the Canada 150 Infrastructure Grant.

Public Works Foreman's (Dean Appleyard) report:

- Road conditions are poor with the rains we have been getting. Hoping to get back on them soon.
- Mowing the ditches wide has helped a bit with some of the drainage problems. The mower needed repairs and has been down for a few days, however should be up and running again once weather straightens out too.
- Require a motorized metal saw to repair some of the culverts.
- Need the bombardier moved out of shed to shelter the tractor. Mower and equipment should be inside.
- Portable washrooms are now removed from beach areas.

Fire Department Report:

- Roger and Real attended a Mutual Aid Meeting. Course with Hydro still being planned for Fire Departments.
- Jean Louis set up a course for traffic control however signup was too low. Will try a different time of year for more attendance.
- Got called by RCMP to assist in search of missing waterfowl hunters in Lake Francis marsh. Hercules aircraft was also involved in search. Hunters were found and brought to safety unhurt. They had been stranded by high winds.
- Escorted Breast Cancer Walk on Sunday with Rescue Van.
- Attended MFR meeting with Leslie. One large area of concern was that people still use old lot numbers to call in emergencies instead of using the new civic addressing system. Further work needs to be done to transition everyone.

**Zoning & Subdivisions**

None



## Delegations

None

## Transportation & Public Works

The Public Works Foreman, Dean Appleyard, explained the need for a portable metal-cutting saw. The machine would be used to trim damaged ends of culverts, aid in culvert fitting and repair, and could be used in other applications as well as it can cut various types of material.

### **Res #356/2016                      Johnson - Kerbrat**

**WHEREAS** the Public Works department of the RM requires the use of a portable saw capable of cutting metal such as that used in culverts, as the installation and repair of culverts is becoming more frequent and is a necessary part of the upkeep, installation and repair of culverts.

**AND WHEREAS** a quote has been received by St. Laurent Home Hardware and Building Centre for a Stihl Cutquik 14 inch saw in the amount of \$1,751.45, which includes applicable tax.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council accept the quote as set out herein and authorize the purchase of said saw in the amount of \$1,751.45, which includes applicable tax.

...Carried

## New & Unfinished Business

None

## Correspondence/Minutes from Others

### Correspondence:

- None

### Minutes:

- St. Laurent Seniors Resource Council – Board Meeting- August 23, 2016
- IERHA – Board of Directors Meeting – August 25, 2016
- WIWCD – Executive Board Meeting – August 29, 2016

**Committee of the Whole in Camera**

**Res #357/2016 Johnson – Kerbrat**

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

....Carried

**Res #358/2016 Johnson - Kerbrat**

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

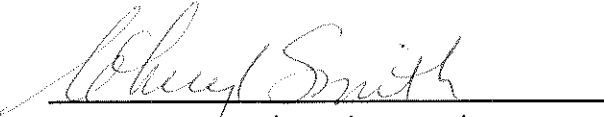
....Carried

**Adjourn**

**Res #359/2016 Johnson - Carrier**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting now adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

....Carried

  
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~~Deputy Reeve (Frank Bruce)~~

Cheryl Smith

  
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CAO (Hilda Zotter)



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4. Finance & Accounts
  - Council Indemnities and Expenses
  - Accounts Payable to October 5, 2016
  - Financial Statements ending September 30, 2016
  - Remembrance Day Ad
  - Evening public library support
  - CDC – Volunteer Day budget
  - Invitation for Reeve attend Lake Manitoba Co-op Fisheries AGM
5. Committee Reports
  - Tom Johnson
  - Monte Carrier
  - Frank Bruce
  - Laurent Kerbrat
  - Cheryl Smith
  - Media Report
  - CAO
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  - EDO
  - Public Works
  - Fire Department
  - Rec Commission

6. Zoning & Subdivisions

- 6:45 – HMQ/Dale Frandsen – Conditional Use Application - CUSTL-02-16
- 6:50 – Alain & Marie Kerbrat – Conditional Use Application – CUSTL-03-16

7. Delegations

- 7:00 – Jack Morsette/Doug McGiffin – Echo Bay unsightly property

8. Transportation & Public Works

- None

9. New & Unfinished Business

- Townfolio
- Committee Appointments

10. Correspondence/Minutes from others

Correspondence:

- Email – October 12, 2016 – Community Futures – Regional Planning Process
- Invitation – To attend grand opening of MLA Office – Arborg, MB – October 21, 2016

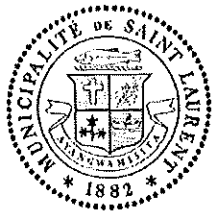
Minutes:

- Community Futures – Board Meeting – September 14, 2016
- RM Canada 150 Celebrations – Committee meeting – October 3, 2016
- Prairie Rose School Division – Board Meeting – October 3, 2016
- Prairie Rose School Division – Board of Trustees Meeting – October 17, 2016

11. Committee of the Whole in Camera

- Fire Department
- Legal

12. Adjourn



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MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Cheryl Smith, Councillors Frank Bruce, Laurent Kerbrat, Monte Carrier and Tom Johnson, and CAO Hilda Zotter.

Reeve Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Res #360/2016                      Johnson - Kerbrat  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for today's date be hereby adopted as amended.

....Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Res #361/2016                      Johnson - Bruce  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 5, 2016 be hereby adopted as circulated.

....Carried

Finance & Accounts Payable

Res #362/2016                      Carrier - Kerbrat  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities for October 2016 and expenses for September 2016 be approved as follows:

	Cheryl Smith	Tom Johnson	Frank Bruce	Laurent Kerbrat	Monte Carrier
Monthly Indemnity	480.00	375.00	375.00	375.00	375.00
Meetings/ Meals	350.00	200.00	-	500.00	300.00
Hourly	-	-	105.00	-	45.00
Conferences	-	-	-	-	-
Mileage	202.95	68.85	45.90	222.75	370.35
Deductions	-17.99	-9.08	-9.32	-	-12.79
Reimburse/ adjust	61.01	-	-	30.50	-
Totals	\$1,076.47	\$634.77	\$516.58	\$1,128.25	\$1,077.56

....Carried

Res #363/2016 Johnson - Kerbrat  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT accounts payable to October 19, 2016 written under cheque numbers 24994 to 25030 and totaling \$66,700.33 be hereby approved for payment.

....Carried

Res #364/2016 Bruce - Carrier  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statements dated September 30, 2016 be adopted as presented.

....Carried

Res #365/2016 Johnson - Kerbrat  
 WHEREAS the Stonewall Tribune has a special section in their upcoming November 3<sup>rd</sup> edition for Remembrance Day.  
 AND WHEREAS the Tribune is selling advertising space in the form of a tribute in support of this special section at a cost of \$106.00 plus GST.  
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the placement of the tribute in the Stonewall Tribune and expenditure of \$106.00 plus GST for said placement.

....Carried

Res #366/2016 Carrier - Bruce  
 WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent and Prairie Rose School Division agreed to a pilot project for an evening public library service in 2015/2016.  
 AND WHEREAS it is determined by records of attendance that there has been enough interest and use to warrant continuation of such a service to the public for three hours per week for a period of three months at the St. Laurent School at a cost of \$80.00 per week for a total of \$960.00.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve support for public library services as set out above.

....Carried

Res #367/2016 Johnson - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the St. Laurent Community Development Corporation (CDC) has provided Council on October 5, 2016 with a budget for the purpose of organizing a Volunteer Appreciation Event, tentatively planned for November 12, 2016.

AND WHEREAS said budget includes expenditure as follows:

Entertainment – King and Diamond Show	\$3,200
Other Entertainment	\$ 500
Rec Centre Rental	\$ 500
Angel Pins	\$ 250
Angel Boards inc. Laminate/Framing	\$ 350
Decorations	\$ 250
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 250</u>
Total:	\$5,300

AND FURTHER WHEREAS the CDC seeks approval from the RM for said expenditure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the budget as presented and authorizes the CDC to proceed with said event.

....Defeated

Res #368/2016 Johnson – Kerbrat

WHEREAS the Lake Manitoba Co-op Fisheries has scheduled an annual general meeting at the St. Laurent Legion for Saturday, October 29, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

AND WHEREAS Reeve Smith was invited to attend said meeting as representative of the R.M.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Reeve Smith's attendance at the said event.

....Carried

### Committee Reports

#### Councillor Tom Johnson's Report

- Attended Planning District meeting – no areas of note except for applications coming in for conditional use for gravel pits.

#### Councillor Monte Carrier's Report

- Attended Community Futures meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> with Financial Review. Tiffany attended the regular meeting. Community Futures also sent a letter to the RM inviting involvement in the Regional Development Strategy. Funding for this project was secured through the Partners 4 Growth fund. There would be no out of pocket expenses for those attending the three to five working sessions. Community Futures is asking the RM to commit at least three representatives to these sessions, the next one being on November 3, 2016.

- It is recommended that the RM participates, however appointment of the three representatives is deferred to the next Council meeting on November 2, 2016.

#### Councillor Frank Bruce's Report

- Contractors have now started work – Maple Leaf to repair Allard Road and Chabot to repair Ludovic and Chartrand Roads. Repair to Allard Road will be more work than originally anticipated so Maple Leaf has been asked to submit their recommendations and quote to the RM to be forwarded to DFA. The RM is also getting back in touch with Hydro to revisit the need for removal of the hydro poles from Allard Road to a safer location.

#### Councillor Laurent Kerbrat's Report

- Seniors Resources will be hosting a Widow/Widower Banquet on November 8, 2016
- Birthday Club is now at the Laurentia Lodge. There has been good attendance. Halloween Party to be held at Laurentia Lodge on October 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Some concerns raised about culvert replacements in the RM – generally a person puts in a culvert and the RM does maintenance on it, but if the culvert is not properly installed it costs the RM to fix the problem. Recently a number of culverts under driveways from Municipal Road to private property have been changed. Some of the old or damaged culverts removed were substandard, of poor or of replacement material (such as barrels, waterheaters, etc), damaged or full of holes when first placed, or installed in several pieces without proper couplers, etc. It is imperative that applications be made at the RM office for new or replacement culverts and that culvert type, size and installation requirements are adhered to to reduce the costs to the RM.
- Skating has now started at the Arena. Dressing rooms not finished yet but should be soon.

#### Reeve Cheryl Smith's Report

- No report at this time due to absence.

#### Media Report (Reeve Smith)

- Received an interview request from French CBC Radio about the new provincial announcement for the fishing industry. Some research will need to be done in preparation for the interview.

#### CAO report

- Other than day-to-day administrative work, was in contact with legal counsel regarding by-law enforcement matters and other legal matters to be reported in camera.
- Had discussions with RM accountant regarding further requirements for RM audit completion.
- Lagoon testing came back with good results.
- Ongoing communication with staff on various projects and planning for the busy tax time ahead, Board of Revision.



MEC report:

- Work continuing on civic addressing.
- Canada 150 celebrations committee – work on obtaining fireworks and band quotes.
- EMR – looking into costs and availability of another EMR course,
- Received more supplies from IERHA to restock the rescue van.
- Submitted EMR licencing application.

EDO report:

- Work with CDEM on community sign.
- The Metis Heritage Centre Business Plan and Feasibility Study is now submitted by the consultant to the RM in its final form.
- Canada 150 Infrastructure grant – provided administrators with final Metis Heritage Centre Plan.
- Attended Community Futures meeting. They are offering a Junior Achievement Program – details have been forwarded to the youth coordinator at the MMF.
- Received an email about a Water Safety Grant – possibly for fencing between Laurentia Park and the marsh. Seeking quotes on fencing to get an idea as to cost.
- Looking at quotes for porta-potty ramps – for 2017 budget.

Committee Reports will continue after Public Hearing.

Zoning & Subdivisions

Res #369/2016

Johnson - Kerbrat

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

....Carried

RE: Conditional Use Application – CUSTL-02-16 – HMQ/Frandsen - Guesthouse  
HMQ and Frandsen on Venice Road South – wish to remove the old flood-damaged guesthouse and build new small individual guesthouses (bedroom only). No one objected or submitted any representations. Pictures were provided of the property. Guesthouses fall under the “conditional use” clause of the zoning by-law.

RE: Conditional Use Application – CUSTL-03-16 – Kerbrat – Quarry Operations  
Conditional use in agriculture zone – MIT is in need of gravel for road maintenance. Only one concern registered by a neighbor regarding possibility of well levels going down due to pumping water from pits. No concerns were registered by experts, who stated that there would be no effect on a limestone based well which the neighbor’s well is. MIT also commented that the pit has existed since 2011 and register no objection but recommend traffic impact study may be required. The environment officer’s submission was that he would like assurance that no fuel is stored in pit. Mines Branch had no concerns.

Res #370/2016

Johnson – Carrier

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

...Carried

Res #371/2016

Carrier - Kerbrat

WHEREAS a Conditional Use application, CUSTL-02-16, was received from Her Majesty the Queen and Dale Frandsen.

AND WHEREAS the said conditional use application is to allow a “guest house” be built on Lot C, Plan 7097, Venice Rd S in St. Laurent, Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve said conditional use.

...Carried

NOTE: Councillor Laurent Kerbrat excused himself from Council Chambers before the reading of the following:

Res #372/2016

Bruce - Carrier

WHEREAS a Conditional Use application, CUSTL-03-16, was received from Alain and Marie Kerbrat.

AND WHEREAS the said conditional use application is to allow a “Sand and Gravel Pit, and Quarry Operation” on Pt SW ¼ 2-17-4W and SE ¼ 2-17-4W in St. Laurent, Manitoba.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve said conditional use.

...Carried

NOTE: Councillor Laurent Kerbrat returned to Council Chambers.

Committee Reports resumed:

Public Works report (Dean Appleyard):

- No report at this time

Fire Department Report:

- The water tanker is working very well; still need a place to store it for the cold months.
- Had meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup> with Fire Department. Minutes will be provided shortly.
- EMRs have now gone on several calls.
- Attended to a fire at the Waste Transfer Site which may have been lit on purpose by someone dropping off garbage.
- MPI reports to be handed to Leslie for completion.
- Dry hydrant project – still going ahead with project – looking to see what funding may be available for this year to possibly get done before winter. Will get a cost estimate for one such hydrant.

Rec Commission Report:

- None at this time. A meeting is to be set up between the RM and the Rec Commission to discuss plans for hire of new rec director.

Delegations

7:00 p.m. – Jack Morsette/Doug McGiffin – Echo Bay Unsightly Property

Specific property in question and discussed is 47 Echo Bay, which was once a very nice property but in recent years has been neglected by its owner and has been taken over by hundreds of pigeons, inside and out. Mr. Morsette and Mr. McGiffin both gave a presentation of health hazards associated with pigeon infestations. The property also poses a safety risk to curious children, with its overgrown grounds and often open doorways. Pigeons have also been reported scoping out new nesting and roosting grounds in other areas. Further, the unsightly and unhealthy condition of the home negatively affects property values in the surrounding vicinity and affects the spirit and pride of the neighborhood.

Both Mr. Morsette and Mr. McGiffin were thanked for their presentation and assured that taking the time to attend the delegation was a necessary step in validating the RM's efforts in rectifying the situation. The owner of the property has been contacted several times both by registered mail and telephone contact to get rid of the pigeon infestation, clean up the property and bring it to a presentable state, but to date no response from the owner has been forthcoming. A health inspector has also given opinion and recommendation, and the mortgage company holding the mortgage on the house has been contacted in the hopes that further action would be taken by them as well to protect their investment. The RM has contacted its legal counsel for legal advice and now has the necessary steps to take action on its Unsightly By-law No. 1/05 under the authority of *The Municipal Act*. A designated officer will be appointed and the CAO instructed to draft an Order to be served on the registered owner. Further steps would be taken pending the outcome. There is a potential for a large expense to the RM with any action that it may need to take to carry out a satisfactory outcome and such expense will need to be provided for in the 2017 budget. Recovery of said expense would further need to be diligently pursued with all legal recourses available.

Transportation & Public Works

None

New & Unfinished Business

Res #373/2016

Johnson - Kerbrat

WHEREAS Community Futures has brought forward a self-updating online community profile service called Townfolio and is seeking a commitment by the R.M. to participation in 2017.

AND WHEREAS EDO Tiffany Desjarlais has researched the organization and recommends that the RM's participation in the project would be a great opportunity for exposure to potential investors from around the world.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS the cost for this service at the regional price of one year is \$860.00, or for three years at \$2,100.00.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council will commit to the amount of \$860.00 for a one-year term in the RM's 2017 budget.

....Carried

Res #374/2016

Johnson - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint the following Committees:

- Legislative and Finance Committee: Chair Cheryl Smith
- Personnel Chair: Cheryl Smith
- Protective Services and Health Services Committee: Chair Cheryl Smith
- Public Works, Transportation & Drainage Committee: Chair Frank Bruce, Co-Chair Tom Johnson, and Member Laurent Kerbrat
- Economic Development Services Committee: Chair Frank Bruce
- Recreation and Culture Committee: Chair Laurent Kerbrat
- Planning, Zoning, Subdivision, Animal and Weed Control Committee: Chair Monte Carrier and Member Laurent Kerbrat
- By-law and Policy and By-law/Policy Review Committee – Chair Frank Bruce, Members Tom Johnson and Monte Carrier, and CAO

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Designated Officer assigned to administer and enforce the Unsightly By-law No. 1/05 for the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent shall be Frank Bruce, Councillor.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint representatives to the following Boards:

- Board of Revision: All of Council
- Western Interlake Handivan Association: Tom Johnson and Laurent Kerbrat
- Lundar and District Veterinary Board: Tom Johnson
- West Interlake Conservation District – Lake Francis sub-committee, Monte Carrier and Rudy Kitsch, and the Shoal Lakes sub-committee, Tom Johnson and George Hamilton
- Community Futures West Interlake: Monte Carrier and Tiffany Desjarlais
- St. Laurent Community Development Corporation: Cheryl Smith and Frank Bruce
- Assisted Living Centre Management Committee: Cheryl Smith, Frank Bruce and Tom Johnson

....Carried

#### Correspondence/Minutes from Others

##### Correspondence:

- Email – October 12, 2016 – Community Futures – Regional Planning Process
- Invitation – To attend grand opening of MLA Office – Arborg, MB – October 21, 2016

Res #375/2016

Kerbrat - Bruce

WHEREAS Council has been invited to the grand opening of the MLA Derek Johnson's office in Arborg, Manitoba on October 21, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Tom Johnson and Frank Bruce attend at the said event.

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Minutes:

- Community Futures – Board Meeting – September 14, 2016
- RM Canada 150 Celebrations – Committee meeting – October 3, 2016
- Prairie Rose School Division – Board Meeting – October 3, 2016
- Prairie Rose School Division – Board of Trustees Meeting – October 17, 2016

Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res #376/2016

Johnson - Kerbrat

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

.....Carried

Res #377/2016

Johnson - Bruce

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

.....Carried

Res #378/2016

Johnson - Kerbrat

WHEREAS emergencies involving bodies of water have occurred throughout the RM.

AND WHEREAS water rescue involves highly specialized training and equipment, neither of which the RM's emergency personnel have or have any authorization by the RM to implement.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS Council has determined that no recommendations can be made regarding the issue of water rescue until thorough research has been done and legal advice sought as to, but not limited to, the roles and responsibility of the RM, jurisdiction and liability.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the CAO to conduct such research and seek legal advice and make recommendations for to Council on the completion of same.

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT until further notice by Resolution of Council, the RM's personnel, including Fire Department and EMR members, have no authorization from Council to conduct any water rescue of any kind and have no authorization to allow civilians to do such.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Zodiac Boat, Motor and Trailer be sold and funds be put into other Fire Department needs.

.....Carried

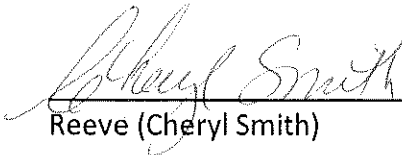
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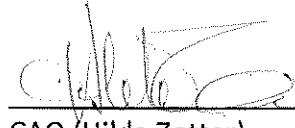
Res #379/2016

Johnson - Carrier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

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Reeve (Cheryl Smith)

  
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CAO (Hilda Zotter)