



Rural Municipality of St. Laurent
Regular Meeting
September 2, 2015

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on September 2, 2015 in the Council Chambers, located at #825, PTH #6 St. Laurent, Manitoba.

With all members present and the CAO, Reeve Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Call to Order

Res #297/15 Bruce - Kerbrat

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

....Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Res #298/15 Johnson - Carrier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of July 31, 2015 Special Meeting and August 19, 2015 Regular Meeting hereby be adopted as circulated.

....Carried

Finance & Accounts Payable

Res #299/15 Bruce - Kerbrat

BE IT RESOLVED THAT accounts payable to September 2, 2015 written under cheque numbers 23865 to 238884 and totaling \$46,102.48 hereby be approved for payment.

....Carried

Res #300/15 Kerbrat - Carrier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statements dated August 31, 2015 be adopted as presented.

....Carried

Res #301/15 Bruce - Carrier

WHEREAS Section 326 of *The Municipal Act* provides for the imposition of supplementary taxes;
AND WHEREAS amending assessments have been received from the Manitoba Assessment Branch;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAO be hereby authorized to impose additional tax notices as per Section 327 (1) and (2) of *The Municipal Act*;

AND FURTHER THAT authorization be given to prepare cancelled taxes as per Assessor recommendations.

....Carried

Res #302/15 Kerbrat - Bruce

WHEREAS the Canadian CED Network holding an annual gathering in Winnipeg on October 23, 2015.

AND WHEREAS this conference would provide valuable workshops for the St. Laurent Economic Development Officer.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS the cost for this conference is to be determined.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Economic Development Officer to attend said conference.

....Carried

Res #303/15 Carrier - Kerbrat

WHEREAS Section 184(1) of *The Municipal Act* requires that Council appoint an Auditor and Section 184(3) of *The Municipal Act* requires Council to inform the Minister of same.

AND WHEREAS the CAO had been directed to obtain updated quotes

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the appointment of Sensus Audit Group

....Carried

Committee Reports

Councillor Tom Johnson reported:

- Nothing to report

Councillor Monte Carrier reported:

- WIPD; attended Aug. 18 in Eriksdale; end of October they will move the office to the Rec. Centre; Meeting on Friday with Cherie and Rec Centre to finalize details of lease agreement;
- West Interlake Citizens Group collected signatures to have their the amalgamation dissolved;
- Grey Water pits are a big problem; Need to contact the Environment Officer again.
- Have some activities starting up in September.
- Did not attend the last Community Futures Meeting

Councillor Frank Bruce reported:

- Discussion of super sandbags debris; Council understands the unsightliness of these super sandbags, however, it is not financially viable until the DFA can cover the cost.
- Received a call from ratepayer in Oak Point regarding a drainage issue; Discussion to replace culverts in Oak Point based on budgetary situation;
- Need to start and think about portable washroom storage; After maybe October long weekend and bring one to the WTS and put one in storage;
- Brush clearing and placing pit run on a road allowance off of Road 415;
- Need to find a different place to store the bombardier as the tractor needs to go into the area.

Council Laurent Kerbrat reported:

- Reported that a form for the well would be built;
- Need to level the dirt by the arena; Need to contact WIWCD to get the well decommissioned.

Reeve Cheryl Smith reported:

- Worked with staff and CAO: ALC is on-going; DFA claims/submissions held a committee meeting regarding timelines for removal of super sandbags and apply for an extension; The message to the property owners will be communicated that we are going to be working on a timeline for removal and apply for the extension. Removal will happen, with common sense prevailing, sometime in the spring based on lake levels. However, timeline includes time to remove the sandbags and prepare the submissions;
- Welcome Centre is on-going
- Priority list for staff is on-going
- Storage to hold Public Works items;
- IERHA is ready to award the tender; Needing the Status of Title;
- Finalized the contracts for the SMART program; working on a graduation ceremony; touched based with Ron Van Denakker and Louise Allarie to complete MOU and application through Manitoba Health. 8 people have yet to write the final exam. May have additional 2 – 3 more.
- Met with the IERHA Health Foods group; funding has been allocated to the RM and Penny from the MMF will head this initiative. Penny is also part of the Health Advisory Committee;
- E-911 excel sheet is being worked on and needs to be forwarded to MTS.

CAO provided a report in writing a copy of which is attached hereto and forms part of these Minutes.

EDO/MEC – provided a report in writing a copy of which is attached hereto and forms part of these Minutes.

Delegations

none

Zoning & Subdivisions

none

Transportation & Public Works

Councillor Tom Johnson spoke to the sealcoating of Laurentia Beach Rd. It was on the 2014 budget that was based on a grant being submitted with the assistance of CDEM. As the grant was not submitted the RM did not have the funds to complete all the roads that the RM wanted to do. The contractor was brought in to determine what roads could have been done based on the budgeted amount and the roads requiring immediate attention.

New & Unfinished Business

Res #304/15 Bruce - Kerbrat

WHEREAS a request by two Council members had been made to cancel the regular scheduled meeting to be held on September 16, 2015.

AND WHEREAS Section 8.3 of the Municipal By-law 6/2014 a variation of a meeting must be done by Council resolution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the cancellation of the September 16, 2015 regular scheduled meeting.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 6:00 pm

...Carried

Res #305/15 Bruce - Kerbrat

WHEREAS correspondence has been received from the West Interlake Watershed Conservation District (WIWCD) providing confirmation that they were unsuccessful in securing the requested funding from the Province.

AND WHEREAS the WIWCD must match the funding received.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of St. Laurent Council would request a readjustment of the second invoice for the contribution to the WIWCD

...Carried

Res #306/15 Kerbrat - Carrier

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent receives request from individuals to appear before Council as a delegation.

AND WHEREAS it is preferred that these requests be completed in writing and staff has created a fillable form for such a request.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS this form can be picked up in the office or will be available on the website as a fillable document.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the delegation application form as protocol for a delegation request.

...Carried

Res #307/15 Bruce - Kerbrat

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent had prepared a Strategic Plan outlining priority areas this Council would like to see progress.

AND WHEREAS a community consultation had taken place on July 26, 2015 to present the Strategic Plan and receive community input.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS as a result of the community consultation some changes had been made.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide approval of the revised 2015/16 – 2018/19 RM of St. Laurent Strategic Plan.

Correspondence from others

Correspondence:

- St. Laurent Senior Resource Council Inc., Aug. 19/15 re: thanks for support

Minutes:

Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res #308/15 Johnson - Kerbrat

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

....Carried

Res #309/15 Kerbrat - Bruce

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

....Carried

Res #310/15 Carrier – Kerbrat

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent has had negotiations with the RM of Woodlands regarding road maintenance;

AND WHEREAS an agreement has not been made to date.

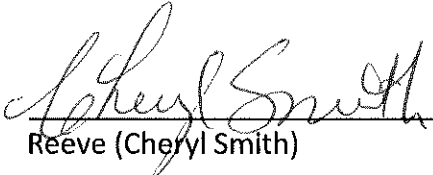
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide approval to the Reeve, Cheryl Smith, and Councillor Frank Bruce, to seek legal advice regarding moving this matter forward.


....Carried

Res #311/15 Johnson - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 8:30 pm

....Carried


Reeve (Cheryl Smith)


CAO (Billie Jean Oliver)
ACTING CAO (HILDA ZOTTER)

CAO Report – September 2, 2015

Arranging for WTS Monitor Well testing to be completed

Completed two additional DFA Submissions; still have more to go. Some are waiting for the invoices to be submitted; review of invoices; phone calls/emails to contractors regarding clarification and/or further information on invoices. Signs for the Park area have been ordered; Karen has reviewed proofs to ensure accuracy for the translations as well as layout; these have been now approved and are being manufactured. Prepared letters to the property owners who have borrow pits on their property.

Having been dealing with the Fine Options Program. Trying to arrange hours, prepare reports and close files; Telephone calls and emails with the Program co-ordinator as well as participants.

I had tried booking hotel rooms on Friday for the AMM Convention in November with no luck. Since Monday, Hilda has been checking for availabilities throughout the day at the different hotels. She has managed to book two rooms in the vicinity of the Conference. We need to get confirmation of who will be attending conference so we know how many more rooms we will need.

Discussions with Sheena at Taxervice regarding the Tax Sale process.

Went through the Board of Revision file to ensure we are on track with the process. We have received the additions/reductions to the Assessment Roll. Andrea has completed the calculations and is now working on preparing the Supplementary Tax Statements. These have to be mailed out by September 18th to keep on track.

Various telephone calls and meetings with Reeve Smith, MEC/EDO Maurice Allard.

MEC & EDO Report

Sept 2, 2015

MEC

Was in the community from 6-9:00 AM on Sunday August 23, 2015.

Winds off the lake were gusting in excess of 90km

Found a couple of downed trees across Twin Lakes S and removed one

Super sandbags washed away from 232 Venice (Twin Lakes) S and Geotube is torn

Sandbags gone and plastic cover shredded at 82 Twin S...owner would like removed

Tree in the middle of the road on Laurentia S is completely rotten and upper branches are ready to come down. This has become a safety issue. Tree and stump needs to be removed.

Worked on E911 – Civic Addressing project.

EDO

Tendered via email to local contractors for upgrade to municipal office space. Deadline Sep 8.

RE-worked plans for Business Centre / Museum with Laurent as structure won't work with original plan

Reviewed strategic plan with CAO

Meeting and conference call with lawyer regarding CDC ALC

Spoke with various community members regarding what is needed in St. Laurent

Common theme is grocery, laundromat, car wash, Autopac outlet, coffee shop, services and activities for seniors, something done with Gratton's store.

Worked on and researched grants available and viable for the community.

Upcoming meetings: Interlake Tourism Awards, Healthcare funding, Emergency Management Meeting