



Rural Municipality of St. Laurent
Regular Meeting
April 7, 2021

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Cheryl Smith, Councillors Frank Bruce, Phil Mathews, Jerry Combot, Vern Coutu, and CAO Hilda Zotter

Call to Order

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

Adoption of Agenda

Res #82/2021 Bruce – Combot

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

Confirmation of Minutes

- None

Committee Reports:

CAO (Hilda Zotter)

- Tax sale is on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. with one property for sale; the other was all paid up.
- Friday, April 9, 2021 all Council attending the virtual AMM Civilitas! Respectful Leadership workshop in the morning. In the afternoon Council will review the draft financial plan.

MEC and ACAO (Paul Belair)

- None

EDO (Guy Dumont)

- None

Public Works (Donovan Boudreau)

- Started grading the gravel roads, very dry and ordering dust control and will run the water truck over newly graded roads.
- Looked into different posts for signs to ensure they don't blow over when we receive high winds
- Pricing out a spare grader tire
- Received cold patch asphalt
- Put-up shelves at the shop and organized the tools etc.

Waste Transfer Site (Ron Colliou)

- None

Fire Department (Roger Leclerc)

- None

Rec Commission (Tammy Hiebert)

- None

Councillor Phil Mathews

- Attended Community Futures virtually
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Councillor Jerry Combot

- Completed the work on the one-way plow, ready for pickup

Councillor Frank Bruce

- Attended the public works meeting, worked on tender requirements.

Councillor Vern Coutu

- Looked at the two municipal properties that RM considering on selling, and what work will be required prior.
- Took a drive around the Shoal Lake area for the number of gravel loads regarded pertaining to the Fire Department access. Compiling a list for the April 12th Shoal Lake meeting.

Reeve Cheryl Smith

- CAO and I met virtually with the new Chief Executive Officer, Dr. David Matear from IERHA. Discussion surrounding Heritage Centre and possible future office space for their needs; very happy about the relationship with the CPAC pilot project.
- Found an investigator regarding Union complaint, very difficult at this time due to overwhelming investigation going on with human resource issues.
- Lots of emails, phone calls regarding the new by law in regards to the RVs, well received, and everyone being respectful.
- Met virtually with The Honourable Derek Johnson to discuss the project applications: Building Sustainability Community Program Grant, Heritage Conservation Program Grant, and Investing in Canadian Infrastructure Program Grant.
- Organized an Interlake Reeves virtual meeting in regards to Community Future, vaccine clinics, and fire bans.
- Attended the virtual meeting with the Lake Manitoba Flood Rehabilitation Committee (LMFRA). Agenda items were: LMFRFC committee updates and status, outlet channel, financial information update, and governance.

Media Report (Reeve Smith)

- None

Finance & Accounts

Res #83/2021

Coutu – Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts Payable to April 6, 2021, written under cheque numbers 29900 to 29963 and totaling \$87,771.73 be hereby approved for payment.

.....Carried

Res 84/2021

Bruce - Combot

WHEREAS the RM has several assets that are no longer needed and can be offered for sale by public tender.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approves the sale of:

- a. 2003 Ford F550 Super Duty truck
- b. 1978 Dodge ¾ ton
- c. 96-inch Allied Snow Blower

- d. John Deere 265 mower
- e. Schulte XH600 mower
- f. Small sander

.....Carried

Res #85/2021

Bruce - Coutu

WHEREAS Roll No. 67447 is scheduled for tax sale on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

AND WHEREAS the RM wishes to recover its costs for tax sale administration and fees and to ensure payment of property taxes in arrears of all years.

AND WHEREAS the costs and arrears are in the total amount of \$5,451.94.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. submits a reserve bid in the amount of \$5,451.94 for Roll No. 67447.

.....Carried

DELEGATIONS

- None

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS

- None

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- None

New and Unfinished Business

Res #86/2021

Mathews - Bruce

WHEREAS the Association of Bilingual Municipalities (AMBM) provides funding to the RM towards bilingual initiatives in the amount of \$7,500.00 per annum and has also announced an additional top-up funding of \$2,000.00.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of St. Laurent can confirm that it has designated one of the Assistant CAO positions as bilingual, and has also designated and an Economic Development position as bilingual. The RM can further confirm that the monthly newsletter and website is issued in both English and French.

....Carried

TABLED

- Donation Request – St. Laurent Seniors Resource Council Inc.
- Letter of Agreement Yurt Project – St. Laurent Seniors Resource Council Inc.
- STAR Program/Regional Additions Service
- St. Laurent Train Station

Res #87/2021 Bruce – Combot

WHEREAS Tom Teichroeb, Chair of Lake Manitoba Flood Rehabilitation Committee (LMFRC) has invited the R.M. of St. Laurent to have two council members appointed to the LMFRC regarding the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint Councillor, Phil Mathews and Councillor, Vern Coutu to the committee.

....Carried

ZONING AND SUBDIVISIONS

Res #88/2021 Combot – Mathews

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

....Carried

Refer to Appendix No. 1

Res #89/2021 Bruce - Combot

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

....Carried

Regular Matters:

- None

Notices:

- None

Correspondence/Information/Minutes from Others

Correspondence/Information:

- AMBM Letter to Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages
- FCM – Municipalities welcome key step toward a community-rooted recovery
- Rural Manitoba Economic Development Corporation (RMED)
- Manitoba Association of Senior Centres
- AMM – COVID-19 Vaccination in Manitoba

Minutes:

- Laurentia Beach Association Fall 2020 Executive Meeting Minutes

Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res #90/2021

Mathews - Bruce

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

.....Carried

Res #91/2021

Coutu - Combot

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

.....Carried

Adjourn

Res #92/2021

Coutu – Mathews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 2:20 p.m.

.....Carried

Reeve

CAO