

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Willow Bunch No. 42 held at the Municipal Office, #16 Edouard Beaupre St., Willow Bunch, Saskatchewan on Monday, February 14th, 2022.

Present were: Reeve – Patrick Therrien, Administrator Sharleine Eger, Assistant Administrator Tereena Bartlett and the following councillors:

- Division 1 – Denis Lesperance
- Division 2 - Albert Lavallee
- Division 3 – Claude Fafard
- Division 4 – Trevor Benson
- Division 5 - Dale Berner via Zoom
- Division 6 – Patrick Bellefleur

Presentation of Bond

24/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the presentation of the municipal fidelity bond in the amount of \$100,000 be acknowledged as presented.
Carried

Minutes

25/2022 Trevor Benson: That the January 2022 regular minutes be approved as amended.
Carried

Recess for Community Forum

26/2022 Trevor Benson: That the meeting recess to open the community forum with regards to St. Victor waterworks.
Carried

Agenda Items

27/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the In Camera Session be moved to the end of the agenda prior to adjournment.
Carried

Committee Reports

28/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the following verbal committee reports be accepted as presented:

- a) Denis Lesperance: Sask Power letter / Water & Sewer Project / Walking Trail
- b) Alberta Lavallee: Jean Louis Legare Regional Park report
- c) Claude Fafard: Graders
- d) Trevor Benson: No Report
- e) Patrick Bellefleur: No Report
- f) Dale Berner: No Report
- g) Patrick Therrien: South Central Municipal Association meeting

Carried

Dale Berner left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

RM Equipment

29/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the use of the RM equipment be provided to the Park expansion site in order to put through the road/loop of the expansion portion and that the equipment operator be volunteer labour from casual and/or permanent employees of the RM.
Carried

2022 Appointments

30/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the list for 2022 appointments attached hereto and forming part of these minutes, be approved.
Carried

SARM Convention Voting Delegates

31/2022 Claude Fafard: That Claude Fafard and Albert Lavallee be appointed as voting delegates at the SARM annual convention, and that Claude Fafard be appointed voting delegate for the Sask Municipal Hail Insurance Annual General Meeting.
Carried



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Scout Lake Hamlet Allotment for 2021

32/2022 Trevor Benson: That the Scout Lake Hamlet tax revenue allotment for 2022 be set at 70%.
Carried

DELEGATION: Foreman Michel Cayer:

- Washboard clean up, Kurtis 1A training, Paul away for daughter's surgery, Larry off for medical until March.
- Burn trees at top of park
- Grader hours – problem with electronics on the 140M
- 140 M – 10,500 hours
- 160 M – 7,300 hours
- 160 M – 4,400 hours

Hay Trailer

33/2022 Claude Fafard: That the RM pay \$50/day for the use of Michel Cayer's 53 foot hay trailer for the removal of trees for the RM water/sewer project.
Carried

Dale Berner returned to the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Table Item C New Business Code of Ethics Bylaw

34/2022 Albert Lavallee: That council table discussion surrounding adopting a new code of ethics bylaw until the March meeting so that both old and template of new can be reviewed.
Carried

Sask Lotteries Grant

35/2022 Claude Fafard: That the RM approve and sign the Sask Lotteries grant to the Town of Willow Bunch.
Carried

Dust Control

36/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the RM conditionally accept the quote for dust control as presented by Fort Distributors based on the Town of Willow Bunch joining to meet the 18,000 L minimum and that we reapply to the area on the St. Victor park grid, as was completed last year, at no cost.
Carried

2021 Draft Financials

37/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM acknowledge, approve and sign the 2021 draft financial documents as prepared by Dudley and Company.
Carried

Request for Compassionate Leave of Absence

38/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the RM grant a compassionate leave of absence to Paul Bellefleur, should it be required and that should the leave exceed three months, repayment of benefits for the 4 month would then incur.
Carried

Dale left the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Correspondence

39/2022 Claude Fafard: That the following correspondence be approved as presented:

- a) RCMP Report
- b) CDO Report
- c) STARS
- d) Town of Assiniboia – Landfill Fees
- e) 2020 AGM Minutes SMHI
- f) Ministry of Agriculture – Programs and Services

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- g) Ministry of Highways – Guardrail Placement
- h) Gravel Pile Survey Results

Carried

Financials

40/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That the Statement of Financial Activities for December 2021 and January 2022 be accepted as presented.

Carried

Accounts

41/2022 Trevor Benson: That the accounts paid and presented for payment be approved and a list of the cheques #20052 to #20092 inclusive (\$104,218.48) and the January payroll in the amount of (\$23,660.22) and EFT payments (\$52,366.09) be annexed hereto and form a part of these minutes.

Carried

Enter "In Camera" Closed Session

42/2022 Claude Fafard: That the RM enter in an "in camera" session at 2:48 p.m. to discuss personnel issues as presented by the Administrator and Assinstant Administrator against the Reeve and that those in attendance are Claude Fafard, Denis Lesperance, Albert Lavallee, Trevor Benson, Patrick Bellefleur, Dale Berner.

Carried

Exit "In Camera" Closed Session

43/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the RM exit the "in camera" closed session at 3:30 p.m.

Carried

Harassment Claim

44/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM engage Bonnie Durnford to perform the 3rd party investigation into the harassment claims as set forth by [REDACTED] the parties involved.

Carried

add. Mar. 14/22

Attach to Minutes

45/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: [REDACTED]

Carried

*Rescinded
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Adjournment

46/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That this meeting adjourn (3:45 p.m.).

Carried

REEVE *Claude Fafard*
ADMINISTRATOR *Charlene Oger*

NEXT MEETING – March 14th, 2022