

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, July 11th, 2022.

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

- Division 1 – Denis Lesperance
- Division 2 - Albert Lavallee
- Division 3 – Vacant
- Division 4 – Trevor Benson
- Division 5 – Dale Berner (via Zoom)

Regrets: Reeve – Patrick Therrien

Minutes

139/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the June 2022 regular minutes be approved as amended and the June 15th, 2022 special meeting minutes be approved.

Carried

Committee Reports

140/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the following verbal committee reports be accepted as presented:

- a) Denis Lesperance: SSR meeting
- b) Albert Lavallee: JLLRP financials – as attached
Department of Highways meeting – delineators on HWY 36 South
Park Road – Repairs
Will be submitting a resignation to JLLRP – no time line yet
- c) Trevor Benson: Gravel – Grand Valley Church – make it accessible
- d) Patrick Bellefleur: Rasmussen Road – Culvert placement
Alan Aubert waiting for gravel on North road
Monty Heatcoat – waiting for culvert to be moved
- e) Dale Berner: No Report

Carried

DELEGATION: Olivia Olson – Willow Bunch

Enter “In Camera” or “Closed Session”

141/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM enter in an “in camera” session at 9:31 am to discuss issues as per Section 12.4 of the Council Procedures Bylaw and that those in attendance are Denis Lesperance, Albert Lavallee, Trevor Benson, Patrick Bellefleur, Dale Berner (via Zoom), Sharleine Eger, Tereena Bartlett and Olivia Olson.

Carried

Exit “In Camera” Closed Session

142/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM exit the “in camera” closed session at 10:04 a.m.

Carried

Assessment of Protective Fire Gear

143/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the volunteer fire department do an assessment of equipment to replace tattered equipment and replace gear that is improperly fitting.

Carried

Joint Meeting with Town of Willow Bunch

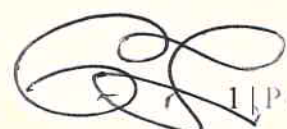
144/2022 Denis Lesperance: That a joint meeting be scheduled between the RM and Town of Willow Bunch councils to discuss issues as discussed within the closed session.

Carried

Heritage Resources Impact Assessment

145/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the RM accept the report as provided by AltHeritage regarding the Heritage Resources Impact Assessment.

Carried



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Agreement for Walking Trail

146/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM approve the agreement as negotiated and drafted between the RM of Willow Bunch and Bernard & Lise Martin and signed by the Martin's and RM representatives Patrick Bellefleur and Albert Lavallee.
Carried

Follow Up Letter to Request to Purchase

147/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That the RM respond to Jenet McGillis' letter, reiterating that the RM will proceed to clean up the RM's property in St. Victor and that it is no longer for sale and that it was not officially for sale at the time that administration had presented it.
Carried

Approve 2022 Budget and Set Mill Rate

148/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM approve the 2022 cash budget showing a surplus of \$380 and that the mill rate for 2022 be set at 6.7 mills and a commercial mill rate factor of 1.75.
Carried

St. Victor Water Expenses

149/2022 Denis Lesperance: That upon review of the revenue and expenses for St. Victor water, that council move to leave the cost to ratepayers as is and review again at year end.
Carried

DELEGATION – Foreman – Michel Cayer

- Grapple is on the loader
- Kurtis will begin gravelling this week
- New exit for Park can continue now that the heritage resource impact assessment is done
- Town would like assistance with former Merv Bonneau property
- Spraying coming to an end
- Would like Kurtis and Paul to take the applicators course for spray
- Work done on sprayer truck
- Mower is leaking at gear box again

Move Culvert on Rasmussen Road

150/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That the RM move the culvert on the Rasmussen road to a more appropriate spot to act as an equalizer.
Carried

DELEGATION – Chapin Sleightholm – Rockglen Daycare
Presented a sponsorship proposal.
Carried

Hamlet H2O Reports

151/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM accept as presented, the H2O reports for the hamlets of Scout Lake and St. Victor.
Carried

2022 Weed Management Plan

152/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That the RM approve the 2022 Invasive Species Weed Management Plan for submission to SARM as a requirement to be part of the Invasive Plant Control Program.
Carried

Renew Revolving Line of Credit

153/2022 Albert Lavallee: That the RM renew the revolving line of credit with Bengough Credit Union in the amount of \$200,000.
Carried

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Congratulatory Message – Assiniboia Times

154/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the RM advertise a congratulatory message to the Town of Willow Bunch on their 150th anniversary in the special Willow Bunch anniversary edition of the Assiniboia Times at a cost of \$75.00.
Carried

Rescind Motion 283/2021 – iHunter App

155/2022 Albert Lavallee: That motion 283/2021 be rescinded and allow Bradley Directories to display the RM map on the iHunter App.
Carried

Pest Control – Spring Report

156/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the RM acknowledge the spring pest control report as presented by Brian Kusten – Pest Control Officer and pay the associated invoice of \$6,924.12.
Carried

Correspondence

157/2022 Albert Lavallee That the following correspondence be approved as presented:
a) RCMP Report
b) CDO Report
c) Lake of the Rivers Appreciation Day – July 22nd, 2022 – Deadline to Register is July 13
d) RM 347 of Biggar – Drought Conditions – Support
e) MOH – Updated Signage for Over-Dimensional Route
f) Channel Clearing and Drainage Project
Carried

Letter of Support

158/2022 Trevor Benson: That the RM send a letter of support to the RM of Biggar No. 347 in regards to drought conditions in the area.
Carried

Financials

159/2022 Denis Lesperance: That the Statement of Financial Activities and bank reconciliation for May 2022 be accepted as presented.
Carried

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160/2022 Patrick Bellefleur: That the Statement of Financial Activities and bank reconciliation for June 2022 be accepted as presented.
Carried

Accounts

161/2022 Trevor Benson: That the accounts paid and presented for payment be approved and a list of the cheques 20302-20345 inclusive (\$97,227.93) and the June payroll in the amount of (\$31,669.18) and EFT payments (\$2,287.46) be annexed hereto and form part of these minutes.
Carried

Adjournment

162/2022 Denis Lesperance: That this meeting adjourns (2:20 p.m.)
Carried

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR

NEXT MEETING – August 8th, 2022