

## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 11, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

**Present:** Deputy Reeve Honke, Councillors McDougald, Staerk, Stead, and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson

**Excused:** Reeve Amerongen

Deputy Reeve Honke called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### Reading and Confirming of Agenda and Minutes:

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

54/25 **WHEREAS** the agenda for this regular meeting has been reviewed by Council;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda shall be adopted as amended.

For: All                      Against: None                      **CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

55/25 **WHEREAS** the minutes of their regular meeting held on February 25, 2025, and of the Special Meeting held on March 3, 2025, have been submitted to Council for their review;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** these minutes be adopted as presented.

For: All                      Against: None                      **CARRIED**

### Financial:

#### 1. Payment of Accounts

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Staerk

56/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Cheque No. 25486 to 25502

Electronic Payments EFT 8609 to 8635

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$116,985.09.

For: All                      Against: None                      **CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

57/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Electronic Payments EFT 8536 & 8537

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$2,988.40.

For: All                      Against: None                      **CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 57/25, Deputy Reeve Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Staerk

58/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Electronic Payments EFT 8638 to 8653

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$6,275.84.

For: All                      Against: None                      **CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 58/25, Councillor Stead requested permission to be excused from all discussions. He left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

**Public Works:** Update of February 24, 2025

**Reports of Committees:**

- Eastman Regional Municipal Committee re: minutes of November 18, 2024.

**Verbal Reports of Committees:**

Councillors McDougald and Staerk attended the Annual Planning Conference in Brandon, and Chief Administrative Officer Johnson advised that Reeve Amerongen participated in the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority meetings regarding the possible pending strike, which was alleviated.

**Communications:**

1. Community Planning Branch re: proposal to subdivide Pt. NE 19-13-12 EPM, by Donald Godfrey and Michael Godfrey. Noted.
2. Seven Sister Falls Community Centre re: request for letter of support for a new playground. Council approved same in principle, letters to be sent.

3. Association of Manitoba Municipalities re: Spring Convention

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

59/25 **WHEREAS** the Association of Manitoba Municipalities spring convention is in Winnipeg, Manitoba, from April 13 to April 16, 2025;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all members of Council are hereby authorized to attend same;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** they are reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

4. Elma Bridge Newsletter from the Provincial Environmental, Geotechnical and Infrastructure Department – forwarded to the Clipper once this Agenda was circulated to Council. Noted.

5. Community Planning Branch re: Subdivision File No. 4203-23-7731 Crescent Bay Farms/Kettles Certificate of Approval. Noted.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Lagoon re: Borrowing By-Law direction. Council directed Administration to prepare same on a per lot basis. Tabled.
2. Waterline South of Elma – Manitoba Water Services Board and Rural Municipality of Reynolds, teams meeting set for tomorrow. Tabled.
3. Grader – Due to financial restraints, this will not be included in the 2025 Budget.
4. Zoning By-Law – Council's feedback. Tabled.

5. Building By-Law No. 768/25 re: amendment

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Stead

60/25 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 767/24 being the Building By-Law Clause 4.2.3 be amended;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 768/25 be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**



Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

61/25 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 767/24 being the Building By-Law Clause 4.2.3 be amended;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 768/25 be hereby given third and final reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

#### **New Business:**

1. By-Law No. 769/25 Amendment to Council Indemnity By-Law No. 737/22, re: kilometrage reduction/change.

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

62/25 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 769/25 is a by-law to amend By-Law No. 737/22 Clause 1. (c) iii;

**AND WHEREAS** this will adopt the National Joint Council for kilometrage payments;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 769/25 be hereby given first reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

63/25 **WHEREAS** By-Law No. 769/25 is a by-law to amend By-Law No. 737/22 Clause 1. (c) iii;

**AND WHEREAS** this will adopt the National Joint Council for kilometrage payments;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 769/25 be hereby given second reading.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

2. Fire Inspector Stead re: batteries for smoke alarms. Tabled.

3. Rural Municipality of Reynolds – postpone joint meeting. Noted.

#### **In Camera:**

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

64/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council recess the Regular meeting and go "In Camera" as per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss the following item: Legal

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by McDougald

65/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does hereby now re-open the meeting to the public.

For: All


Against: None

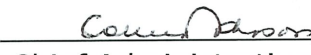
**CARRIED**

Administration was directed to advise the solicitor not to proceed with a legal inquiry.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead  
66/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this  
meeting does hereby adjourn at 1:30 p.m.  
For: All                      Against:    None                      **CARRIED**

  
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Chief Administrative Officer