

## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 14, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth.

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

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

### Reading and Confirming of Agenda and Minutes:

Moved by Staerk and seconded by McDougald

1/25 **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 Honke and seconded by Stead

2/25 **WHEREAS** the minutes of their regular meeting held on December 17, 2024, and of the Special Meeting held on December 23, 2024, 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 Honke

3/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Cheque No. 25375 to 25419

Electronic Payments EFT 8457 to 8494

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$268,960.75 of which \$130,416.61 is School Tax.

For All:

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

4/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Electronic Payments EFT 8495 to 8498

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$5,862.28.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 4/25, Reeve Amerongen and Deputy Reeve Honke requested permission to be excused from all discussions. They left and did not return to the meeting until the resolution was completed.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Staerk

5/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payments:

Electronic Payments EFT 8499 to 8513

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$4,034.61.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

Prior to any discussion on Resolution 5/25, 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:** January 6, 2025 Update

**Senior Utility Operator:** December, 2024 Report

**Reports of Committees:**

- Whitemouth Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility re: minutes of November 20, 2024; and
- Community Futures Winnipeg River re: minutes of December 13, 2024.

**Verbal Reports of Committees:**

Councillor McDougald reported on Community Futures Winnipeg River and the Whitemouth-Reynolds North Whiteshell Waste Management Facility.

**Delegation:**

1:30 p.m. Peter Tines of Sturgeon Bay Resort re: Communications No. 11, he has requested an In Camera discussion. Council directed that inquiries will be reviewed once written requests are received.

**Communications:**

1. Manitoba Emergency Management Organization re: 2025 Workshops. Noted.

2. Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund – direct delivery stream.

Moved by Stead and seconded by Honke

6/25 **WHEREAS** Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada has provided information on their Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration be hereby directed to submit an application for this funding.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

3. Thompson Dorfman Sweatman re: Labour & Employment Seminar.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Stead

7/25 **WHEREAS** a Labour and Employment Seminar will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, on February 28, 2025;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration does hereby send one representative from Administration;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** she be reimbursed as per municipal bylaws.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

4. Canadian Nuclear Laboratories re: Whiteshell Laboratories Restoration Project Site License Renewed. Noted.

5. Community Wellness Facilitator re: invitation to virtual workshop. Noted.

6. North Eastman Municipal Forum re: meeting in Dugald on February 10, 2025.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Staerk

8/25 **WHEREAS** the North Eastman Municipal Forum will be held on February 10, 2025, in Dugald, Manitoba;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council and the Chief Administrative Officer be hereby authorized to attend same;

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

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**



7. Emergency Measures Organization re: presently no rain event called for September 16 and 17, 2024. Claims being reviewed and a letter will be sent from the Province after consideration is completed during the assessment process. Noted.

8. Manitoba Association of Municipal Emergency Coordinators re: Training in Steinbach on January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Moved by McDougald and seconded by Stead

9/25 **WHEREAS** educational sessions in Certified Emergency Response Training is being offered in Steinbach, Manitoba, on January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Municipal Emergency Coordinator Dowbyhuz and one additional Whitemouth Emergency Response Team Member be hereby authorized to attend same;  
**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** they be reimbursed as per municipal by-laws.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

9. Species at Risk re: Proposed amendments to Act on Red Knot and Aweme Borer. Noted.

10. Emergency Management Organization re: funding opportunity for Climate Action Fund and Municipal Climate Resilience grants. Noted.

11. Peter Tines of Sturgeon Bay Resort – request change to Conditional Use. See delegation above.

12. Barry McMillan request to hook onto water and sewer.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

10/25 **WHEREAS** a request and deposit to hook onto our municipal water and sewer has been received from Barry McMillan;  
**AND WHEREAS** this property is located at 25 William Drive in Seven Sisters Falls, being Lot 5. of Block 1 of Plan No. 15079 WLTO, and identified by assessment roll number 172511;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this request be hereby approved;  
**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the appropriate fees be paid in full to the municipality for the connection, prior to the installation by the contractor.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

13. Manitoba Hydro re: Pointe du Bois to Whiteshell construction delay and upcoming geotechnical drilling work. Noted.

14. Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation re: Indigenous Funding Stream call for proposals. Noted.

15. Community Futures Winnipeg River re: training modules available. Noted.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1. Lagoon – re: public information evening with Manitoba Water Services Board.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

11/25 **WHEREAS** Council has been approved for funding through the Manitoba Water Services Board regarding a new lagoon;  
**AND WHEREAS** Council would like to have a Public Information evening:  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Public Information session, hosted by Manitoba Water Services Board and Stantec Engineering be held on January 20, 2025.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

2. Waterline South of Elma with project participants Manitoba Water Services Board and the Rural Municipality of Reynolds to extend to Prawda. Tabled.

3. Commercial Subdivision in Seven Sisters Falls re: naming of roadway.

Moved by Honke and seconded by Stead

12/25 **WHEREAS** a name for the roadway for the expanding commercial area in Seven Sister Falls adjacent to our water treatment plant is required;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the name be Commercial Cove.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

**New Business:**

1. Administration Attendance at Council Meetings.

Moved by Honke and seconded by McDougald

13/25 **WHEREAS** it is deemed beneficial to have additional Administrative Personnel at Council Meetings;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this practice is effective today, January 14, 2025.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**

2. Elma Bridge – update from Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation that during during construction one lane will remain open. As information is received it will be provided.

**In Camera:**

Moved by Staerk and seconded by Stead

14/25 **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 Staerk

15/25 **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**

**Adjournment:**

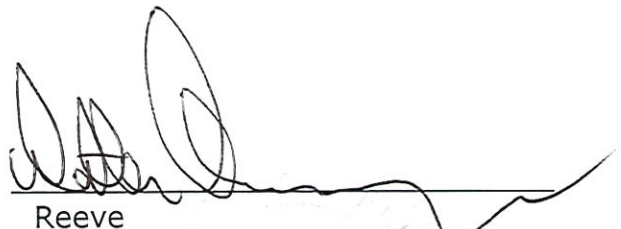
Moved by Stead and seconded by Staerk

16/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:24 p.m.

For: All

Against: None

**CARRIED**



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer