# RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF INVERGORDON No. 430

# Regular meeting of Council held in the R.M. Council Chambers 7 Struthers Lake Drive in Crystal Springs, SK March 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 9:00am

Present: Reeve Bruce Hunter

Councillor, Division 1 Kelvin Dutka Councillor, Division 2 Keith Thibault Councillor, Division 4 Kevin Hawreschuk Councillor, Division 5 Wayne Bacon

Councillor, Division 6 Edwin Rundbraaten Administrator Courtney Beaulieu

Delegations Richard Chyz

Jamie Kunz, MPE Engineering Ltd. Devon Chubey, Ducks Unlimited Canada Gerry Letain, Ducks Unlimited Canada

Absent: Councillor, Division 3 Calvin Parsons

A quorum being present, Reeve Hunter called the meeting to order at 9:08am.

Foreman, Myron Toner present at the time the meeting was called to order.

TS-001 Custom Work Policy Revision

### 064/21 Dutka

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has brought forward a recommendation to revise the Custom Work Policy as it relates to snow removal services provided by the RM.

WHEREAS, the RM currently provides custom snow removal on rural driveways and yards however many of the sites are too small, narrow, filled with obstacles or are otherwise not easily cleared with the Grader. These sites are better suited to be cleared by the Snowblower.

WHEREAS, the RM currently clears rural driveways and yards as the Graders go by clearing the roads, however based on the volume of yards being done this creates delays in roads being opened and safe for vehicle traffic.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council adopt a revision to TS-001 Custom Work Policy with the following changes as it relates to snow removal:

- Custom snow removal requests for driveways or yards deemed uneasily cleared with the Grader, in the opinion of the Foreman, will be refused. Such requests will be fulfilled with the Snowblower at its current custom work rate and time charged to/from the RM Shop.
- Custom snow removal will be completed after all roads have been cleared after a snow fall.
- Custom snow removal recipients shall plan to be serviced three (3) days after a snow fall.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a memo communicating these changes be issued with all 2020-2021 snow removal invoices as well as posted to the RM website.

**CARRIED** 

Richard Chyz entered the meeting at 9:24am to discuss the terms of a new gravel purchase agreement for 2021-2022. Richard departed the meeting at 9:30am.

#### 065/21 Hunter

WHEREAS, the gravel purchase agreement on Bylaw 18-11 with Richard Chyz expired on December 31, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Administrator advised the current market rates for purchasing pit run gravel from local landowners is in a price range of \$4.00 to \$6.00 per yard.

WHEREAS, Richard Chyz has requested a two (2) year agreement at a price of \$4.50/yard.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the RM accept the price of \$4.50/yard from Richard Chyz for the purchase of pit run gravel under the same terms and conditions as included on Bylaw 18-11.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council authorizes the Administrator Beaulieu and Reeve Hunter to sign and execute the agreement.

**CARRIED** 

# Dixon Lake Outlet Study

Utility Manager, Trevor Plessl joined the meeting at 10:02am along with delegate Jamie Kunz of MPE Engineering Ltd. to discuss his submitted proposal relating to an outlet study on Dixon Lake.

Foreman Toner and Jamie Kunz departed the meeting at 10:45am.

#### 066/21 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, the RM has allocated \$10,000.00 of its Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP) funding for the engineering study of water levels and fish viability at Dixon Lake.

WHEREAS, a proposal has been submitted from MPE Engineering Ltd. to conduct a detailed preliminary survey and conceptual structure design on Dixon Lake for consideration by Water Security Agency.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council approve Proposal P01-1.0 dated March 8, 2021 from MPE Engineering Ltd. at an upset cost of \$9,800.00.

**CARRIED** 

Utility Manager Plessl departed the meeting at 11:54am.

# Staff Reports

#### 067/21 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Foreman Report and Utility Manager Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Dutka declared a conflict of interest at 12:03pm.

### 2021 Wage Rates

#### 068/21 Bacon

WHEREAS, the HR Committee has brought forward a recommendation on the 2021 wage rates as it relates to hourly staff.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following hourly staff receive a 5.00% increase to their respective hourly wage rates as at December 31, 2020, retroactively effective January 1, 2021:

- Anne Davis, Assistant Administrator
- AJ Chitrenia, Equipment Operator
- Brad Laroche, Equipment Operator
- Brandon Balon, Equipment Operator
- Daryl Filpula, Equipment Operator
- Dennis Drapak, Equipment Operator
- Kyle Dutka, Equipment Operator

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there shall not be a scheduled wage increase for the above listed hourly staff in 2022.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Bacon departed the meeting at 12:19pm and did not return.

# 069/21 Hunter

THAT, the meeting be recessed for a lunch break at 12:20pm.

**CARRIED** 

Reeve Hunter called the meeting back to order at 1:02pm.

# Tway Lakes Project

Foreman Toner and delegates Devon Chubey and Gerry Letain of Ducks Unlimited Canada joined the meeting at 1:03pm to advise the Council of recent changes to the future direction of their Tway Lakes Project.

#### 070/21 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, Ducks Unlimited Canada's original intention was to rebuild the water control structures in the Tway Lakes however they were unable to obtain land control and/or permission from all surrounding private landowners. For that reason, along with other variables, they have decided to decommission and naturalize the structures.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council acknowledges the Tway Lakes Project design plans as presented by Ducks Unlimited Canada and hereby approves the decommissioning work as proposed.

**CARRIED** 

Devon Chubey and Gerry Letain, along with Foreman Toner departed the meeting at 1:27pm.

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# Minutes of Regular Meeting

### 071/21 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minutes of Regular Meeting held on Wednesday February 10, 2021 be approved as read.

**CARRIED** 

### Statement of Financial Activities

#### 072/21 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Statement of Financial Activities as at February 28, 2021 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### Bank Statements

#### 073/21 Rundbraaten

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Affinity Bank Statement as at February 28, 2021 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# Authorized Expenditure Report

### 074/21 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Cheque No. 2225 to 2226, and EFT No. 1577 to 1588, totaling \$54,584.77 as outlined in the Authorized Expenditure Report dated March 9, 2021 attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# List of Accounts for Approval

### 075/21 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that Cheque No. 2227 to 2272, and EFT No. 1589 to 1595, totaling \$41,975.21 as outlined in the List of Accounts for Approval dated March 10, 2021, attached to and forming part of these minutes, be approved for payment.

**CARRIED** 

### Mastercard Report

#### 076/21 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that electronic payments in the amount of \$3,186.75 and \$1,448.89 as outlined in the presented February 25, 2021 and March 9, 2021 Mastercard Reports, respectively, be acknowledged as paid under the authority granted in Resolution 148/20.

**CARRIED** 

# Petty Cash Report

### 077/21 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the March 11, 2021 Petty Cash Report be approved as presented and that the Administrator be authorized to withdraw monies from the R.M. Affinity bank account in the amount of \$743.75.

**CARRIED** 

# Unpaid Taxes Report

# 078/21 Hawreschuk

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Unpaid Taxes Report as at February 28, 2021 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### 2020 Hamlet Financial Statements

### 079/21 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2020 Financial Statements for the Organized Hamlets of Crystal Springs, Meskanaw and Tway as well as for the Special Service Area of Yellow Creek be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### Correspondence

### 080/21 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, the following Correspondence has been presented to Council:

Water Security Agency
Robertson Stromberg
Prince Albert R.C.M.P.
Wakaw R.C.M.P.
Approved Aquatic Habitat Prot. Permit NE 17-44-22-W2
Municipal Expropriation Update NW 22-45-22-W2
2020 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Community Policing Report
2020 Annual Community Policing Report

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council accept the presentation of Correspondence as read.

**CARRIED** 

# 2021 Groundwater Monitoring Proposal

#### 081/21 Thibault

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council approve the proposal from Pinter & Associates Ltd. to conduct spring groundwater monitoring and sampling (including laboratory analysis, project management and reporting to the Ministry of Environment) at the municipal landfill in May 2021 at a cost of \$5,825.00 plus applicable taxes.

**CARRIED** 

### Yellow Creek Waterworks Permit Amendment

### 082/21 Dutka

WHEREAS, an amendment to Yellow Creek's existing waterworks permit has been issued by Water Security Agency with the following additions:

- Appendix A Waterworks Monitoring Schedule
  - 6. Trihalomethanes (THMs)\* once in January 2022
  - 7. Haloacetic Acids (HAA)\* once in January 2022
  - 8. Manganese (onsite testing) once per month
  - 9. Lead and Copper (in distribution system) once in July/August 2021.
  - \* limits applied and added in Appendix B Permit Limits

BE IT RESOLVED, that the amended Permit To Operate A Waterworks (No. 2592-04-02) for the Special Service Area of Yellow Creek be hereby approved.

**CARRIED** 

### Gas Tax Applications

### 083/21 Rundbraaten

WHEREAS, the RM has only allocated a small portion of its 2020-2024 Gas Tax funding however additional plans must be made to submit applications to expense the remaining balance.

WHEREAS, Gas Tax funding can be utilized for investments in infrastructure (construction, renewal or material enhancement) in areas such as roads, bridges, drinking water, wastewater, solid waste, etc.



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WHEREAS, in Resolution 093/20 the Council approved an application for the Yellow Creek WTP Green Sand Filter Replacement project, however upon contracting Gaudet's Sci Tech Services the filter media was deemed adequate and not in need of replacement at this time.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Gas Tax IIP 2021-005390 for the Yellow Creek WTP Green Sand Filter Replacement project be withdrawn, and the following new applications for Gas Tax be made:

- Crystal Springs Water Treatment Plant Upgrades \$22,176.00
- Yellow Creek Water Treatment Plant Upgrades \$8,790.00

**CARRIED** 

### 2021 Workers Compensation Rate

### 084/21 Dutka

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2021 Workers Compensation rate of 1.22 for the RM be acknowledged, and that all municipal employees and volunteer fire fighters be renewed at their combined anticipated wages for the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council be renewed at the minimum group coverage amount of \$38,442.00.

**CARRIED** 

# Gravel Mapping

### 085/21 Hawreschuk

WHEREAS, the Council allocated \$6,000.00 of its Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP) funding towards the completion of an aggregate mapping study to assist in long-range resource planning for the RM.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Aggregate Mapping Study by J.D. Mollards and Associates Ltd. dated February 23, 2021 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## Speed Curve Naming

### 086/21 Thibault

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been brought forward by the Public Works Committee for the naming of speed curves in the RM to assist motorists by establishing landmarks along main routes.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following speed curves be named and signs erected accordingly:

### Division 3

- Borsa Curve (NW 7-44-22-W2)
- Arn Curve (NW 35-44-22-W2)
- Gudelot Curve (NW 8-45A-22-W2)

### Division 4

• Macleod Curve (NE 20-44-23-W2)

### Division 5

- Cleghorn Curve (NW 22-45-22-W2)
- Boyle Curve (SE 21-45-22-W2)
- Bacon Curve (NW 18-45-22-W2)
- Struthers Curve (SE 11-45-23-W2)



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# Division 6

- Fyrk Curve (NW 4-45-23-W2)
- Macfie Curve (SW 28-45-24-W2)
- Hill Curve (NE 21-45-24-W2)
- Waitville Curve (SW 15-45-24-W2)

**CARRIED** 

Adjourn

# 087/21 Hunter

BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting be adjourned at 3:17pm.

**CARRIED** 

Bruce Hunter

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Administrator