

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BLANSHARD

The minutes of the eleventh regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard held April 22nd, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the municipal office in Oak River.

PRESENT: REEVE: Brent Fortune
COUNCILLORS: Mark Gill, Jim Brown, Ewan Common,
Walter Froese, Stephen Carter and Gary Stewart
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: Diane Kuculym

Reeve Fortune presiding.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Jim Brown - M. Gill
#96/14: That the agenda for April 22nd, 2014 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

MINUTES

Motion: G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
#97/14: That the minutes of the tenth regular meeting held April 8th, 2014 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The roads and drainage committee reported that some snow had to be removed from a ditch to prevent road flooding. Areas where water may go over roads were discussed. Some machinery roads were attempted to be opened by the public works employees. Road work and road reconstruction to be completed in 2014 were discussed.

The Blanshard Fire Committee reported that the new fire truck arrived on April 8th, 2014.

Councillor Brown reported on the Midwest Recreation District meeting he attended in Oak River. The mileage rate paid within the district was discussed with council and that funding is available for training for instructors in the district.

The C.A.O. reported on the meeting she attended with neighbouring C.A.O.s regarding regional services.

The waste management committee reported on items that need attention at the waste management site.

ADJOURNMENT FOR HEARING

Motion: Ewan Common - Jim Brown
#98/14: That the regular meeting now adjourn to reconvene after the Public Hearing for borrowing by-law for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River and the 2014 financial plan.
CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR BORROWING BY-LAW FOR MUNICIPAL SHOP IN OAK RIVER

In attendance: Brent Fortune, Chair; Mark Gill; Jim Brown; Ewan Common;
Walt Froese; Stephen Carter; Gary Stewart; and Diane Kuculym

Public Attendance: None

Chairperson Fortune opened the hearing. The C.A.O. advised that the purpose of the hearing was to receive public presentations from any person who wishes to make them in respect to proposed borrowing for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River.

The hearing was advertised and notices were placed as required.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR BORROWING FOR A MUNICIPAL SHOP IN OAK RIVER

Public Presentations: None
Questions: None
The hearing closed at 10:10 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINANCIAL PLAN

In attendance: Brent Fortune, Chair; Mark Gill; Jim Brown; Ewan Common;
Walt Froese; Stephen Carter; Gary Stewart; and Diane Kuculym

Public Attendance: None

Chairperson Fortune opened the hearing. The C.A.O. advised that the purpose of the hearing was to receive public presentations from any person who wishes to make them in respect to the 2014 Financial Plan.

The hearing was advertised and notices were placed as required.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINANCIAL PLAN

Public Presentations: None
Questions: None
The hearing closed at 10:40 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED

Motion : Jim Brown - Ewan Common
#99/14 : That Council, having completed its duties at the Public Hearing to hear public presentations in respect to the borrowing by-law for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River and the 2014 Financial Plan do now close the hearing and reconvene the regular council meeting.

CARRIED.

BY-LAW NO. 2014-2 - BORROWING BY-LAW FOR MUNICIPAL SHOP

Motion : Walt Froese - Jim Brown
#100/14: Whereas a public hearing was held on April 22nd, 2014 to hear representation for or against the proposed borrowing by-law for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard approve the borrowing for a new municipal shop in Oak River.

CARRIED.

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown
#101/14: Resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard give first reading to By-Law No. 2014-2, being a by-law to authorize borrowing for a new municipal shop in Oak River.

CARRIED.

2014 FINANCIAL PLAN

The financial plan was reviewed with Council.

Motion : Stephan Carter - Walt Froese
#102/14: Whereas a public hearing was held on April 22nd, 2014 to hear representation for or against the proposed 2014 Financial Plan for the R. M. of Blanshard; And whereas no representation was received on the proposed financial plan; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard approve the 2014 Financial Plan.

CARRIED.

Motion : M. Gill - Jim Brown
#103/14: Whereas Section 162 of The Municipal Act requires each municipality to adopt a financial plan of the amounts required for the lawful purposes of the municipality, and to adopt the said financial plan by resolution; And Whereas the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard has made such a financial plan; Now therefore be it resolved that the financial plan for the Rural Municipality of Blanshard for the year 2014, as set out in form approved by the Minister, be and the same are hereby adopted, and that the said estimates shall be incorporated and form part of the 2014 tax levy by-law.

CARRIED.

2014 FINANCIAL PLAN

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
 #104/14: Whereas Section 568 of The Municipal Act requires each municipality to prepare a program showing proposed capital expenditures and sources of revenue for the next five years; And Whereas the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard has prepared such a program; Therefore, be it resolved that the Capital Expenditure program for the Rural Municipality of Blanshard for the next five years, as set out in the form approved by the Minister, be and the same, is adopted.

CARRIED.

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
 #105/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard is in favour of having all taxes and rates imposed and levied and be due and collectable on the 31st day of October, 2014. A penalty of 1.00% per month is to be added to all unpaid taxes as at November 1st, 2014.

CARRIED.

BY-LAW NO. 2014-3 - Tax Levy By-Law was presented for reading.

Motion : M. Gill - Jim Brown
 #106/14: Resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard give first reading to By-Law No. 2014-3, being the 2014 tax levy by-law.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Municipal shop - Information received regarding the construction of a new municipal shop was reviewed with council. Steps that should be taken in regards to moving forward with this project were discussed. The C.A.O. was instructed to contact Glen Newton to discuss water/sewer hook-up to the proposed new shop.
2. Oak River subdivision - The C.A.O. informed Council that an inquiry had been received regarding the lots.
3. Amalgamation - Possible regional services that could be jointly provided were discussed with Council.
4. Approach into NW ¼ of 4-14-22W.

Motion : G. Stewart - Walter Froese
 #107/14: Whereas a request has been received for an approach into a new dwelling site in the R. M. of Blanshard; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to construct a new approach, with a culvert, into the NW ¼ of 4-14-22W.

CARRIED.

DELEGATES

1. Ray Frey and Colleen Cuvelier, representatives from the Little Saskatchewan Conservation District, attended the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Roy Greer entered the council chambers to listen to the presentation. R. Frey updated Council regarding Little Saskatchewan River Conservation District issues and possible effects that amalgamation may have on the district.
2. Roy Greer, Blanshard's appointee to Rollingdale, attended the meeting at 11:20 a.m. to update Council on Rollingdale Workshop. Appointees to the committee in the future and effects that amalgamation may have on the committee were discussed with the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

1. L.U.D. - Request for expansion of boundaries.

Motion : Jim Brown - Ewan Common
#108/14: Whereas the L.U.D. of Oak River has requested that the boundaries for the Local Urban District of Oak River be expanded to include the new Hedley Street Subdivision; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard do hereby agree to request that the Local Urban District of Oak River be expanded to include the Hedley Street Subdivision which includes Lots 1 to Lots 13; Plan 36783 in the NE ¼ of 28-13-22W (Roll #27304 - Roll #27328).

CARRIED.

2. Brush cutting program in the municipality for 2014 - An amount to be spent for brush cutting in the municipality was discussed but no resolution passed.
3. Signage for Cardale.

Motion : Stephen Carter - Ewan Common
#109/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to purchase street name signs for the Hamlet of Cardale.

CARRIED.

4. Dust control in the municipality. Dust control on gravel haul roads was discussed.

Motion : Walt Froese - Ewan Common
#110/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to advertise indicating that the R. M. of Blanshard will accept requests for dust control in front of residences and/or established sites within the municipality on a pre-payment basis. Payments are to be made to the R. M. of Blanshard by May 31st, 2014 and will be accepted at the office in Oak River. Applicants will be charged approximately \$200.00 for a 12' x 300' strip. In the event of not sufficient requests for a truckload, payments will be refunded.

CARRIED.

5. R. M. of Harrison - Fire protection agreement.

Motion : G. Stewart - Walt Froese
#111/14: Be it resolved that the R. M. of Blanshard renew the fire protection agreement with the R. M. of Harrison.

CARRIED.

6. Hometown Green Team Program.

Motion : M. Gill - Jim Brown
#112/14: Resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the hiring of three students under the Hometown Green Team Program for 2014 at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

CARRIED.

7. A request to purchase 100 feet of property north of 5 Government Road in Oak River was brought to the attention of Council. The property owner is to be asked to contact W. Poppel regarding the proposed subdivision.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was presented to Council for review:

1. MWSB - 2014 Maintenance & Operation Service payment
2. Midwest Planning - copy of building permit
3. A.M.M. - Municipal Leader magazine
4. Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities - Green Team Funding approved
5. Prairie Mountain Health - Community Contribution Requirement for Health Capital Project requested. Tabled.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES

Motion : G. Stewart - Ewan Common

#113/14: Resolved that the report of the Finance Committee be received and approved and that General Pay List Cheques #6444 to #6480 and Payroll Cheques #50367 - #50373 amounting to \$107,675.71 and unpaid invoices amounting to \$20,337.50 having been certified by said Committee, be hereby passed for payment.

CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION - No notices were received.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion : Stephen Carter - Walt Froese

#114/14: That the Council of the R.M. of Blanshard do now adjourn to meet again at the Call of the Chair.

CARRIED.

TIME: 12:40 p.m.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER