

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BLANSHARD

The minutes of the fourth special meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard held Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 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, Walter Froese, Stephen Carter, and Gary Stewart  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: Diane Kuculym  
ABSENT : COUNCILLORS: Ewan Common

The meeting was called to meet with a design and build contractor; hear recommendations from the Roads and Drainage Committee regarding brush cutting and road repairs; and discuss the insurance claim on the Kubota tractor. The meeting was called in conformity with the requirements in The Municipal Act. Reeve Brent Fortune presiding.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion : G. Stewart - Walter Froese  
#198/14: That the agenda for August 20th, 2014 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Roads & Drainage Committee reported on road inspections that were completed. How certain areas of roads should be repaired were discussed with Council. Widening of machinery roads, ditch clean out; how to improve roads that have sloughs on both sides of them were discussed by Council. Road construction, road gravelling, and additional surveying to be done was also discussed. Roadside mowing and road maintenance was discussed.

Council discussed personnel issues. Green team hours were discussed.

**BUSINESS AT HAND**

1. Brush cutting program for 2014.

Motion : Jim Brown - M. Gill  
#199/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize Eye Level Landscaping to complete scrub-cutting in certain areas of the municipality as determined by the Roads and Drainage Committee up to a maximum of \$5,000.00.

CARRIED.

2. Clay to be purchased for road repairs.

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter  
#200/14: Whereas a clay pit is currently open on Gordon Paddock's property in Blanshard; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to draft an agreement with Gord Paddock authorizing the municipality to remove clay from the pit at a cost of \$1.00 per yard.

CARRIED.

3. Purchase of tractor through insurance.

Motion: Stephen Carter - Walter Froese

**BUSINESS AT HAND**

4. Culverts to be installed in Blanshard.

Motion : M. Gill - Jim Brown

#202/14: Whereas culverts are required to be replaced or placed in certain roads or approaches in the municipality; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard approve the installation of the following culverts (with approval from Water Stewardship):

- 1) an 18" culvert between 27 & 34-14-22W
- 2) an 18" culvert between 21 & 22-13-21W
- 3) a 12" culvert between 11 & 14-14-22W

CARRIED.

**DELEGATE**

Chris Fortier, C. Tech from Excel Design & Construction attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. He reviewed the quote that was prepared for Council in April with Council members and answered questions Council had in regards to the building of a new municipal shop in Oak River. Hiring a general contractor, design start-up, the proposed site; and timelines for a new building were discussed. A preliminary design is to be completed by the delegate and sent to Council for review.

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

A written "Notice of Motion" was received from Councillor Jim Brown to reconsider Resolution #192/14 passed at the August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting. Resolution #192/14 authorized the municipality to enter into a gravel road agreement with the province.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion : Stephen Carter - Jim Brown

#203/14: That the Council of the R.M. of Blanshard do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 or at the Call of the Chair.

CARRIED.

TIME: 12:40 p.m.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER